

a county in which agricultural land prices are influenced by the criteria described in section 6205(b)(2) of this title, the Secretary shall use average statewide changes in the State in which the lot is located.

**(c) New index**

**(1) In general**

Not later than 10 years after October 11, 2000, the Secretary may select and use an index other than the method of adjustment of a cabin user fee described in subsection (b)(2) of this section to adjust a cabin user fee if the Secretary determines that a different index better reflects change in the value of a lot over time.

**(2) Selection process**

Before selecting a new index, the Secretary shall—

(A) solicit and consider comments from the public; and

(B) not later than 60 days before the date on which the Secretary makes a final index selection, submit any proposed selection of a new index to—

(i) the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives; and

(ii) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate.

**(d) Limitation**

In calculating an annual adjustment to the base cabin user fee as determined by the initial index described in section<sup>1</sup> (b) of this section, the Secretary shall—

(1) limit any annual fee adjustment to an amount that is not more than 5 percent per year when the change in agricultural land values exceeds 5 percent in any 1 year; and

(2) apply the amount of any adjustment that exceeds 5 percent to the annual fee payment for the next year in which the change in the index factor is less than 5 percent.

(Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, § 608, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1019; Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title III, § 324, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 275.)

AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 108-7 substituted “criteria” for “value influences” and “section 6205(b)(2)” for “section 6205(b)(3)”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Resources of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Natural Resources of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

**§ 6208. Payment of cabin user fees**

**(a) Due date for payment of fees**

A cabin user fee shall be prepaid annually by the cabin owner.

**(b) Payment of equal or lesser fee**

If, in accordance with section 6206 of this title, the Secretary determines that the amount of a new base cabin user fee is equal to or less than the amount of the current base cabin user fee, the Secretary shall require payment of the new

base cabin user fee by the cabin owner in accordance with subsection (a) of this section.

**(c) Payment of greater fee**

If, in accordance with section 6206 of this title, the Secretary determines that the amount of a new base cabin user fee is greater than the amount of the current base cabin user fee, the Secretary shall—

(1) require full payment of the new base cabin user fee in the first year following completion of the fee determination procedure if the increase in the amount of the new base cabin user fee is not more than 100 percent of the current base cabin user fee; or

(2) phase in the increase over the current base cabin user fee in approximately equal increments over 3 years if the increase in the amount of the new base cabin user fee is more than 100 percent of the current base cabin user fee.

(Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, § 609, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1020.)

**§ 6209. Right of second appraisal**

**(a) Right of second appraisal**

On receipt of notice from the Secretary of the determination of a new base cabin user fee, the cabin owner—

(1) not later than 60 days after the date on which the notice is received, may notify the Secretary of the intent of the cabin owner to obtain a second appraisal; and

(2) may obtain, within 1 year following the date of receipt of the notice under this subsection, at the expense of the cabin owner, a second appraisal of the typical lot on which the initial appraisal was conducted.

**(b) Conduct of second appraisal**

In conducting a second appraisal, the appraiser selected by the cabin owner shall—

(1) have qualifications equivalent to the appraiser that conducted the initial appraisal in accordance with section 6205(a)(4) of this title;

(2) use the appraisal guidelines used in the initial appraisal in accordance with section 6205(a)(5) of this title;

(3) consider all relevant factors in accordance with this chapter (including guidelines developed under section 6205(a)(3) of this title); and

(4) notify the Secretary of any material differences of fact or opinion between the initial appraisal conducted by the agency and the second appraisal.

**(c) Request for reconsideration of base cabin user fee**

A cabin owner shall submit to the Secretary any request for reconsideration of the base cabin user fee, based on the results of the second appraisal, not later than 60 days after the receipt of the report for the second appraisal.

**(d) Reconsideration of base cabin user fee**

On receipt of a request from the cabin owner under subsection (c) of this section for reconsideration of a base cabin user fee, not later than 60 days after the date of receipt of the request, the Secretary shall—

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “subsection”.