

do not have primary enforcement responsibility under this subchapter. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 136(e)(1) of this title, during any period when the Administrator has such enforcement responsibility, section 136f(b) of this title shall apply to the books and records of commercial applicators and to any applicator who holds or applies pesticides, or uses dilutions of pesticides, only to provide a service of controlling pests without delivering any unapplied pesticide to any person so served, and section 136g(a) of this title shall apply to the establishment or other place where pesticides or devices are held for application by such persons with respect to pesticides or devices held for such application.

(June 25, 1947, ch. 125, §26, as added Pub. L. 95-396, §24(2), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 836; amended Pub. L. 100-532, title VIII, §801(o), (q)(1)(D), Oct. 25, 1988, 102 Stat. 2683; Pub. L. 102-237, title X, §1006(a)(11), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1895.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 26 of act June 25, 1947, ch. 125, was renumbered section 34 and is classified to section 136x of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1991—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-237 substituted “uses” for “use”.

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-532, §801(o)(1), (2), inserted heading and substituted “regulations. The Administrator” for “regulations; *Provided*, That the Administrator” in par. (1).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-532, §801(o)(3), (q)(1)(D), inserted heading and substituted “136i” for “136b” in two places.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 100-532, §801(o)(4), inserted heading.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-532 effective on expiration of 60 days after Oct. 25, 1988, see section 901 of Pub. L. 100-532, set out as a note under section 136 of this title.

§ 136w-2. Failure by the State to assure enforcement of State pesticide use regulations

(a) Referral

Upon receipt of any complaint or other information alleging or indicating a significant violation of the pesticide use provisions of this subchapter, the Administrator shall refer the matter to the appropriate State officials for their investigation of the matter consistent with the requirements of this subchapter. If, within thirty days, the State has not commenced appropriate enforcement action, the Administrator may act upon the complaint or information to the extent authorized under this subchapter.

(b) Notice

Whenever the Administrator determines that a State having primary enforcement responsibility for pesticide use violations is not carrying out (or cannot carry out due to the lack of adequate legal authority) such responsibility, the Administrator shall notify the State. Such notice shall specify those aspects of the administration of the State program that are determined to be inadequate. The State shall have ninety days after receipt of the notice to correct any deficiencies. If after that time the Adminis-

trator determines that the State program remains inadequate, the Administrator may rescind, in whole or in part, the State’s primary enforcement responsibility for pesticide use violations.

(c) Construction

Neither section 136w-1 of this title nor this section shall limit the authority of the Administrator to enforce this subchapter, where the Administrator determines that emergency conditions exist that require immediate action on the part of the Administrator and the State authority is unwilling or unable adequately to respond to the emergency.

(June 25, 1947, ch. 125, §27, as added Pub. L. 95-396, §24(2), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 837; amended Pub. L. 100-532, title VIII, §801(p), Oct. 25, 1988, 102 Stat. 2683.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 27 of act June 25, 1947, ch. 125, was renumbered section 35 and is classified to section 136y of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-532 inserted headings for subsecs. (a) to (c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-532 effective on expiration of 60 days after Oct. 25, 1988, see section 901 of Pub. L. 100-532, set out as a note under section 136 of this title.

§ 136w-3. Identification of pests; cooperation with Department of Agriculture’s program

(a) In general

The Administrator, in coordination with the Secretary of Agriculture, shall identify those pests that must be brought under control. The Administrator shall also coordinate and cooperate with the Secretary of Agriculture’s research and implementation programs to develop and improve the safe use and effectiveness of chemical, biological, and alternative methods to combat and control pests that reduce the quality and economical production and distribution of agricultural products to domestic and foreign consumers.

(b) Pest control availability

(1) In general

The Administrator, in cooperation with the Secretary of Agriculture, shall identify—

(A) available methods of pest control by crop or animal;

(B) minor pest control problems, both in minor crops and minor or localized problems in major crops; and

(C) factors limiting the availability of specific pest control methods, such as resistance to control methods and regulatory actions limiting the availability of control methods.

(2) Report

The Secretary of Agriculture shall, not later than 180 days after November 28, 1990, and annually thereafter, prepare a report and send the report to the Administrator. The report shall—