

“(2) LIMITATION.—Funds made available to a State under the program shall not be used to disparage any agricultural commodity.

“(c) SELECTION OF STATES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In selecting States to participate in the program, the Secretary shall take into consideration, with respect to projects and activities proposed to be carried out under the program—

“(A) experience in carrying out similar projects or activities;

“(B) innovative approaches; and

“(C) the ability of the State to promote and track increases in levels of fruit and vegetable consumption.

“(2) ENHANCEMENT OF EXISTING STATE PROGRAMS.—The Secretary may use the pilot program to enhance existing State programs that are consistent with the purpose of the pilot program specified in subsection (b).

“(d) ELIGIBLE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITIES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—A participating State shall establish eligibility criteria under which the State may select public and private sector entities to carry out demonstration projects under the program.

“(2) LIMITATION.—No funds made available to States under the program shall be provided by a State to any foreign for-profit corporation.

“(e) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost of any project or activity carried out using funds provided under this section shall be 50 percent.

“(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2012.”

§ 3172. Duties of Secretary of Agriculture

In order to carry out the policy of this subchapter, the Secretary shall develop and implement a national food and human nutrition research and extension program that shall include, but not be limited to—

(1) research on human nutritional requirements;

(2) research on the nutrient composition of foods and the effects of agricultural practices, handling, food processing, and cooking on the nutrients they contain;

(3) surveillance of the nutritional benefits provided to participants in the food programs administered by the Department of Agriculture;

(4) research on the factors affecting food preference and habits; and

(5) the development of techniques and equipment to assist consumers in the home or in institutions in selecting food that supplies a nutritionally adequate diet.

(Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1422, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 999.)

§ 3173. Research by Department of Agriculture

(a) Increase in level of support

The Secretary shall establish research into food and human nutrition as a separate and distinct mission of the Department of Agriculture, and the Secretary shall increase support for such research to a level that provides resources adequate to meet the policy of this subchapter.

(b) Periodic consultation with administrators of other Federal departments and agencies

The Secretary, in administering the food and human nutrition research program, shall periodically consult with the administrators of the other Federal departments and agencies that

have responsibility for programs dealing with human food and nutrition, as to the specific research needs of those departments and agencies.

(Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1423, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 999.)

NATIONAL FOOD AND HUMAN NUTRITION RESEARCH PROGRAM; CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS; COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; ANNUAL REPORT; JOINT DIETARY ASSESSMENT, STUDIES AND REPORTS; SUBMISSION OF PLAN AND REPORTS TO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

Pub. L. 99–198, title XIV, subtitle B, §§ 1451–1453, Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1561, 1562, as amended by Pub. L. 104–127, title VIII, § 872, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1175, provided that:

“FINDINGS

“SEC. 1451. Congress finds that—

“(1) nutrition and health considerations are important to United States agricultural policy;

“(2) section 1405 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3121) designates the Department of Agriculture as the lead agency of the Federal Government for human nutrition research (except with respect to the biomedical aspects of human nutrition concerned with diagnosis or treatment of disease);

“(3) section 1423 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 3173) requires the Secretary of Agriculture to establish research into food and human nutrition as a separate and distinct mission of the Department of Agriculture;

“(4) the Secretary has established a nutrition education program; and

“(5) nutrition research continues to be of great importance to those involved in agricultural production.

“[SEC. 1452. Repealed. Pub. L. 104–127, title VIII, § 872, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1175.]

“DIETARY ASSESSMENT AND STUDIES

“SEC. 1453. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall jointly conduct an assessment of existing scientific literature and research relating to—

“(1) the relationship between dietary cholesterol and blood cholesterol and human health and nutrition; and

“(2) dietary calcium and its importance in human health and nutrition.

In conducting the assessments under this subsection, the Secretaries shall consult with agencies of the Federal Government involved in related research. On completion of such assessments, the Secretaries shall each recommend such further studies as the Secretaries consider useful.

“(b) Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 23, 1985], the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall each submit to the House Committees on Agriculture and Energy and Commerce and the Senate Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and Labor and Human Resources a report that shall include the results of the assessments conducted under subsection (a) and recommendations made under such subsection, for more complete studies of the issues examined under such subsection, including a protocol, feasibility assessment, budget estimates and a timetable for such research as each Secretary shall consider appropriate.”

§ 3174. Human nutrition intervention and health promotion research program

(a) Authority of Secretary

The Secretary may establish, and award grants for projects for, a multi-year research initiative on human nutrition intervention and health promotion.