

and vegetable merchant wholesalers that has a commitment to public health and expertise in administering programs that contribute to food safety;

(C) an institution of higher education (as defined in section 1001(a) of title 20) or a foundation maintained by an institution of higher education;

(D) a collaboration of 2 or more eligible entities described in this subsection; or

(E) such other appropriate entity, as determined by the Secretary.

(2) Multistate partnerships

Grants under this section may be made for projects involving more than 1 State.

(g) Regional balance

In making grants under this section, the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, ensure—

(1) geographic diversity; and

(2) diversity of types of agricultural production.

(h) Technical assistance

The Secretary may use funds made available under this section to provide technical assistance to grant recipients to further the purposes of this section.

(i) Best practices and model programs

Based on evaluations of, and responses arising from, projects funded under this section, the Secretary may issue a set of recommended best practices and models for food safety training programs for agricultural producers, small food processors, and small fresh fruit and vegetable merchant wholesalers.

(j) Authorization of appropriations

For the purposes of making grants under this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 2011 through 2015.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title IV, §405, as added Pub. L. 111-353, title II, §209(b), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3947.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 399c(d) of title 21, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original "section 1011(d) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act" and was translated as meaning section 1011(d) of the Act as added by Pub. L. 111-353, title II, §209(a), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3945, to reflect the probable intent of Congress. Another section 1011 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act as added by Pub. L. 111-148, title III, §3509(g), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 536 is classified to section 399b of Title 21, Food and Drugs, but does not contain a subsec. (d).

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 7625, Pub. L. 105-185, title IV, §405, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 572; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, §§7130, 7207(b), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 435, 440, related to the Thomas Jefferson Initiative for Crop Diversification, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §7305, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1242, and Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VII, §7305, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2003. Repeal of prior section 7625 and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008.

CONSTRUCTION

Nothing in this section to be construed to apply to certain alcohol-related facilities, to alter jurisdiction

and authorities established under certain other Acts, or in a manner inconsistent with international agreements to which the United States is a party, see sections 2206, 2251, and 2252 of Title 21, Food and Drugs.

§ 7626. Integrated research, education, and extension competitive grants program

(a) Purpose

It is the purpose of this section to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to establish an integrated research, education, and extension competitive grant program to provide funding for integrated, multifunctional agricultural research, extension, and education activities.

(b) Competitive grants authorized

Subject to the availability of appropriations to carry out this section, the Secretary may award grants to colleges and universities (as defined in section 3103 of this title), 1994 Institutions, and Hispanic-serving agricultural colleges and universities on a competitive basis for integrated agricultural research, education, and extension projects in accordance with this section.

(c) Criteria for grants

Grants under this section shall be awarded to address priorities in United States agriculture, determined by the Secretary in consultation with the Advisory Board, that involve integrated research, extension, and education activities.

(d) Matching of funds

(1) General requirement

If a grant under this section provides a particular benefit to a specific agricultural commodity, the Secretary shall require the recipient of the grant to provide funds or in-kind support to match the amount of funds provided by the Secretary in the grant.

(2) Waiver

The Secretary may waive the matching funds requirement specified in paragraph (1) with respect to a grant if the Secretary determines that—

(A) the results of the project, while of particular benefit to a specific agricultural commodity, are likely to be applicable to agricultural commodities generally; or

(B) the project involves a minor commodity, the project deals with scientifically important research, and the grant recipient is unable to satisfy the matching funds requirement.

(e) Term of grant

A grant under this section shall have a term of not more than 5 years.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2012.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title IV, §406, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 573; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, §§7125, 7206, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 434, 439; Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §§7129(c)(4), 7306, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1227, 1242; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VII, §§7129(c)(4), 7306, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1988, 2004.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 110-246, § 7129(c)(4), substituted “, 1994 Institutions, and Hispanic-serving agricultural colleges and universities” for “and 1994 Institutions”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 110-246, § 7306, substituted “2012” for “2007”.

2002—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 107-171, § 7206, inserted “and 1994 Institutions” before “on a competitive basis”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 107-171, § 7125(1), (2), added subsec. (e). Former subsec. (e) redesignated (f).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 107-171, § 7125(1), (3), redesignated subsec. (e) as (f) and substituted “2007” for “2002”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

§ 7627. Coordinated program of research, extension, and education to improve viability of small and medium size dairy, livestock, and poultry operations

(a) Program authorized

The Secretary of Agriculture may carry out a coordinated program of research, extension, and education to improve the competitiveness, viability, and sustainability of small and medium size dairy, livestock, and poultry operations (referred to in this section as “operations”).

(b) Components

To the extent the Secretary elects to carry out the program, the Secretary shall conduct—

(1) research, development, and on-farm extension and education concerning low-cost production facilities and practices, management systems, and genetics that are appropriate for the operations;

(2) in the case of dairy and livestock operations, research and extension on management-intensive grazing systems for dairy and livestock production to realize the potential for reduced capital and feed costs through greater use of management skills, labor availability optimization, and the natural benefits of grazing pastures;

(3) research and extension on integrated crop and livestock or poultry systems that increase efficiencies (including improved use of energy inputs), reduce costs, and prevent environmental pollution to strengthen the competitive position of the operations;

(4) economic analyses and market feasibility studies to identify new and expanded opportunities for producers on the operations that provide tools and strategies to meet consumer demand in domestic and international markets, such as cooperative marketing and value-added strategies for milk, meat, and poultry production and processing; and

(5) technology assessment that compares the technological resources of large specialized producers with the technological needs of producers on the operations to identify and trans-

fer existing technology across all sizes and scales and to identify the specific research and education needs of the producers.

(c) Administration

The Secretary may use the funds, facilities, and technical expertise of the Agricultural Research Service and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture and other funds available to the Secretary (other than funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation) to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title IV, § 407, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 573; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, § 7207(c), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 440; Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, § 7511(c)(31), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1270; Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title VII, § 7511(c)(31), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2032.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 110-246, § 7511(c)(31), substituted “National Institute of Food and Agriculture” for “Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service”.

2002—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 107-171 inserted “(including improved use of energy inputs)” after “poultry systems that increase efficiencies”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

Amendment by section 7511(c)(31) of Pub. L. 110-246 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 7511(c) of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 1522 of this title.

§ 7628. Support for research regarding diseases of wheat, triticale, and barley caused by *Fusarium graminearum* or by *Tilletia indica*

(a) Research grants authorized

The Secretary of Agriculture may make grants to consortia of land-grant colleges and universities to enhance the ability of the consortia to carry out multi-State research projects aimed at understanding and combating diseases of wheat, triticale, and barley caused by *Fusarium graminearum* and related fungi (referred to in this section as “wheat scab”) or by *Tilletia indica* and related fungi (referred to in this section as “Karnal bunt”).

(b) Research components

Funds provided under this section shall be available for the following collaborative, multi-State research activities:

(1) Identification and understanding of the epidemiology of wheat scab or of Karnal bunt, and the toxicological properties of vomitoxin, a toxic metabolite commonly occurring in wheat, triticale, and barley infected with wheat scab.

(2) Development of crop management strategies to reduce the risk of wheat scab or Karnal bunt occurrence.