

§ 7984. Studies of effects of changes in approach to national dairy policy and fluid milk identity standards

(a) Federal dairy policy changes

The Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a study of the effects of—

- (1) terminating all Federal programs relating to price support and supply management for milk; and
- (2) granting the consent of Congress to cooperative efforts by States to manage milk prices and supply.

(b) Fluid milk identity standards

The Secretary shall conduct a study of the effects of including in the standard of identity for fluid milk a required minimum protein content that is commensurate with the average nonfat solids content of bovine milk produced in the United States.

(c) Reports

Not later than 1 year after May 13, 2002, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report describing the results of the studies required by this section.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title I, §1508, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 211.)

SUBCHAPTER VI—ADMINISTRATION

§ 7991. Administration generally

(a) Use of Commodity Credit Corporation

The Secretary shall use the funds, facilities, and authorities of the Commodity Credit Corporation to carry out this chapter.

(b) Determinations by Secretary

A determination made by the Secretary under this chapter shall be final and conclusive.

(c) Regulations

(1) In general

Not later than 90 days after May 13, 2002, the Secretary and the Commodity Credit Corporation, as appropriate, shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to implement this chapter.

(2) Procedure

The promulgation of the regulations and administration of this chapter shall be made without regard to—

- (A) chapter 35 of title 44 (commonly known¹ as the “Paperwork Reduction Act”);
- (B) the Statement of Policy of the Secretary of Agriculture effective July 24, 1971 (36 Fed. Reg. 13804), relating to notices of proposed rulemaking and public participation in rulemaking; and
- (C) the notice and comment provisions of section 553 of title 5.

(3) Congressional review of agency rulemaking

In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary shall use the authority provided under section 808 of title 5.

(d) Treatment of advance payment option

The protection that was afforded producers that had an option to elect to accelerate the receipt of any payment under a production flexibility contract payable under the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, as provided by section 525 of Public² 106-170 (113 Stat. 1928; 7 U.S.C. 7212 note), shall also apply to the option to receive—

- (1) the advance payment of direct payments and counter-cyclical payments under subchapter I and subchapter III of this chapter;
- (2) the single payment of compensation for eligible peanut quota holders under section 7960 of this title; and
- (3) the advance payment of direct payments and counter-cyclical payments under title I of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 [7 U.S.C. 8701 et seq.].

(e) Adjustment authority related to Uruguay Round compliance

(1) Required determination; adjustment

If the Secretary determines that expenditures under subchapters I through V of this chapter that are subject to the total allowable domestic support levels under the Uruguay Round Agreements (as defined in section 3501 of title 19), as in effect on May 13, 2002, will exceed such allowable levels for any applicable reporting period, the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, make adjustments in the amount of such expenditures during that period to ensure that such expenditures do not exceed such allowable levels.

(2) Congressional notification

Before making any adjustment under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives a report describing the determination made under that paragraph and the extent of the adjustment to be made.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title I, §1601, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 211; Pub. L. 110-234, title I, §1601(e), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1001; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title I, §1601(e), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1729.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For definition of “this chapter”, referred to in subsecs. (a) to (c), see References in Text note set out under section 7901 of this title.

The Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, referred to in subsec. (d), is Pub. L. 104-127, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 888, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 7201 of this title and Tables.

Subchapter III of this chapter, referred to in subsec. (d)(1), was in the original “subtitle C”, meaning subtitle C (§§1301-1310) of title I of Pub. L. 107-171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 166, which is classified principally to subchapter III of this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle C to the Code, see References in Text note set out under section 7951 of this title and Tables.

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008, referred to in subsec. (d)(3), is Pub. L. 110-246, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1651. Title I of the Act is classified principally to chapter 113 (§8701 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see

¹ So in original. Probably should be “known”.

² So in original. Probably should be followed by “Law”.