

**§ 348. Rules and regulations**

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this subchapter.

(May 8, 1914, ch. 79, § 9, formerly § 8, 38 Stat. 374; June 26, 1953, ch. 157, § 1, 67 Stat. 85; renumbered § 9, Aug. 11, 1955, ch. 798, § 1(b), 69 Stat. 684.)

## AMENDMENTS

1953—Act June 26, 1953, substituted provisions for rules and regulations for provisions empowering Congress to alter, amend, or repeal sections 341 to 343 and 344 to 348 of this title at any time.

**§ 349. “State” defined**

The term “State” means the States of the Union, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands.

(May 8, 1914, ch. 79, § 10, as added Pub. L. 87-749, § 1(i), Oct. 5, 1962, 76 Stat. 745; amended Pub. L. 92-318, title V, § 506(h), June 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 351; Pub. L. 99-396, § 9(f), Aug. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 840.)

## AMENDMENTS

1986—Pub. L. 99-396 amended section generally, expanding definition of “State” to include the Northern Mariana Islands.

1972—Pub. L. 92-318 inserted reference to Virgin Islands and Guam.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1972 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 92-318 effective after June 30, 1970, see section 506(n) of Pub. L. 92-318, set out as a note under section 326a of this title.

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## SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

**§ 361. Repealed. Aug. 11, 1955, ch. 790, § 2, 69 Stat. 674**

Section, acts Mar. 16, 1906, ch. 951, § 4, 34 Stat. 64; Feb. 24, 1925, ch. 308, § 4, 43 Stat. 971, provided for the administration of the agricultural experiment station program. See section 361g of this title.

## EXISTING RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES

Act Aug. 11, 1955, ch. 790, § 2, 69 Stat. 674, which repealed sections 361, 364, 366, 369, 369a, 371 to 376, 380, 382, 383, 386 to 386f, 427a to 427h, and 427j of this title, provided in part that any rights or liabilities existing under such repealed sections or parts of sections should not be affected by their repeal.

**§ 361a. Congressional declaration of purpose; definitions**

It is the policy of Congress to continue the agricultural research at State agricultural experiment stations which has been encouraged and supported by the Hatch Act of 1887 [7 U.S.C. 361a et seq.], the Adams Act of 1906, the Purnell Act of 1925, the Bankhead-Jones Act of 1935, and title I, section 9, of that Act as added by the Act of August 14, 1946, and Acts amendatory and supplementary thereto, and to promote the efficiency of such research by a codification and simplification of such laws. As used in this Act [7 U.S.C. 361a et seq.], the terms “State” or “States” are defined to include the several States (including the District of Columbia), Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. As used in this Act [7 U.S.C. 361a et seq.], the term “State agricultural experiment station” means a department which shall have been established, under direction of the college or university or agricultural departments of the college or university in each State in accordance with an Act approved July 2, 1862, (12 Stat. 503), entitled “An Act donating public lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts” [7 U.S.C. 301 et seq.]; or such other substantially equivalent arrangements as any State shall determine.

(Mar. 2, 1887, ch. 314, § 1, 24 Stat. 440; Aug. 11, 1955, ch. 790, § 1, 69 Stat. 671; Pub. L. 92-318, title V, § 506(k), June 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 351; Pub. L. 93-471, title II, § 208(e), Oct. 26, 1974, 88 Stat. 1429; Pub. L. 105-185, title II, § 203(c)(1), June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 534.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Hatch Act of 1887, referred to in text, is act Mar. 2, 1887, ch. 314, 24 Stat. 440, as amended, which is classi-