# § 379d-3. Streamlined hiring authority

#### (a) In general

In addition to any other personnel authorities under other provisions of law, the Secretary may, without regard to the provisions of title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service, appoint employees to positions in the Food and Drug Administration to perform, administer, or support activities described in subsection (b), if the Secretary determines that such appointments are needed to achieve the objectives specified in subsection (c).

#### (b) Activities described

The activities described in this subsection are—

- (1) activities under this chapter related to the process for the review of device applications (as defined in section 379i(8) of this title); and
- (2) activities under this chapter related to human generic drug activities (as defined in section 379j-41 of this title).

# (c) Objectives specified

The objectives specified in this subsection are—  $\,$ 

- (1) with respect to the activities under subsection (b)(1), the goals referred to in section 379j-1(a)(1) of this title; and
- (2) with respect to the activities under subsection (b)(2), the goals referred to in section 379j-43(a) of this title.

#### (d) Internal controls

The Secretary shall institute appropriate internal controls for appointments under this section.

## (e) Sunset

The authority to appoint employees under this section shall terminate on the date that is 3 years after July 9, 2012.

(June 25, 1938, ch. 675, 714, as added and amended Pub. L. 112–144, title II, 208, title III, 307, July 9, 2012, 126 Stat. 1007, 1025.)

## AMENDMENTS

2012—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 112–144, §307(1), amended subsec. (b) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "The activities described in this subsection are activities under this chapter related to the process for the review of device applications (as defined in section 379i(8) of this title)."

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112–144, §307(2), amended subsec.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112–144, §307(2), amended subsec. (c) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "The objectives specified in this subsection are with respect to the activities under subsection (b), the goals referred to in section 379j–1(a)(1) of this title."

## Effective Date of 2012 Amendment

Amendment by section 307 of Pub. L. 112–144 effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 305 of Pub. L. 112–144, set out as an Effective and Termination Dates note under section 379j–41 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 206 of Pub. L. 112–144, set out as an Effective Date of 2012 Amendment note under section 379i of this title.

# § 379d-4. Reporting requirements

# (a) Generic drugs

Beginning with fiscal year 2013 and ending after fiscal year 2017, not later than 120 days

after the end of each fiscal year for which fees are collected under subpart 7 of part C, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report concerning, for all applications for approval of a generic drug under section 355(j) of this title, amendments to such applications, and prior approval supplements with respect to such applications filed in the previous fiscal year—

- (1) the number of such applications that met the goals identified for purposes of subpart 7 of part C, in the letters from the Secretary of Health and Human Services to the Chairman of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Chairman of the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, as set forth in the Congressional Record;
- (2) the average total time to decision by the Secretary for applications for approval of a generic drug under section 355(j) of this title, amendments to such applications, and prior approval supplements with respect to such applications filed in the previous fiscal year, including the number of calendar days spent during the review by the Food and Drug Administration and the number of calendar days spent by the sponsor responding to a complete response letter:
- (3) the total number of applications under section 355(j) of this title, amendments to such applications, and prior approval supplements with respect to such applications that were pending with the Secretary for more than 10 months on July 9, 2012; and
- (4) the number of applications described in paragraph (3) on which the Food and Drug Administration took final regulatory action in the previous fiscal year.

# (b) Biosimilar biological products

# (1) In general

Beginning with fiscal year 2014, not later than 120 days after the end of each fiscal year for which fees are collected under subpart 8 of part C, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report concerning—

- (A) the number of applications for approval filed under section 262(k) of title 42; and
- (B) the percentage of applications described in subparagraph (A) that were approved by the Secretary.

# (2) Additional information

As part of the performance report described in paragraph (1), the Secretary shall include an explanation of how the Food and Drug Administration is managing the biological product review program to ensure that the user fees collected under subpart  $2^1$  are not used to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably means subpart 2 of part C.

review an application under section 262(k) of title 42

(June 25, 1938, ch. 675, §715, as added and amended Pub. L. 112–144, title III, §308, title IV, §408, July 9, 2012, 126 Stat. 1025, 1039.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2012—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 112–144, §408, added subsec. (b).

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2012 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 408 of Pub. L. 112–144 effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 405 of Pub. L. 112–144, set out as an Effective and Termination Dates note under section 379j–51 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 305 of Pub. L. 112–144, set out as an Effective and Termination Dates note under section 379j–41 of this title.

# § 379d-5. Guidance document regarding product promotion using the Internet

Not later than 2 years after July 9, 2012, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall issue guidance that describes Food and Drug Administration policy regarding the promotion, using the Internet (including social media), of medical products that are regulated by such Administration.

(Pub. L. 112-144, title XI, §1121, July 9, 2012, 126 Stat. 1112.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act, and not as part of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act which comprises this chapter.

## PART B—COLORS

# § 379e. Listing and certification of color additives for foods, drugs, devices, and cosmetics

## (a) Unsafe color additives

A color additive shall, with respect to any particular use (for which it is being used or intended to be used or is represented as suitable) in or on food or drugs or devices or cosmetics, be deemed unsafe for the purposes of the application of section 342(c), 351(a)(4), or 361(e) of this title, as the case may be, unless—

(1)(A) there is in effect, and such additive and such use are in conformity with, a regulation issued under subsection (b) of this section listing such additive for such use, including any provision of such regulation prescribing the conditions under which such additive may be safely used, and (B) such additive either (i) is from a batch certified, in accordance with regulations issued pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, for such use, or (ii) has, with respect to such use, been exempted by the Secretary from the requirement of certification; or

(2) such additive and such use thereof conform to the terms of an exemption which is in effect pursuant to subsection (f) of this section

While there are in effect regulations under subsections (b) and (c) of this section relating to a

color additive or an exemption pursuant to subsection (f) of this section with respect to such additive, an article shall not, by reason of bearing or containing such additive in all respects in accordance with such regulations or such exemption, be considered adulterated within the meaning of clause (1) of section 342(a) of this title if such article is a food, or within the meaning of section 361(a) of this title if such article is a cosmetic other than a hair dye (as defined in the last sentence of section 361(a) of this title). A color additive for use in or on a device shall be subject to this section only if the color additive comes in direct contact with the body of man or other animals for a significant period of time. The Secretary may by regulation designate the uses of color additives in or on devices which are subject to this section.

# (b) Listing of colors; regulations; issuance, amendment or repeal; referral to advisory committee; report and recommendations; appointment and compensation of advisory committee

(1) The Secretary shall, by regulation, provide for separately listing color additives for use in or on food, color additives for use in or on drugs, or devices, and color additives for use in or on cosmetics, if and to the extent that such additives are suitable and safe for any such use when employed in accordance with such regulations.

 $(\bar{2})(A)$  Such regulations may list any color additive for use generally in or on food, or in or on drugs or devices, or in or on cosmetics, if the Secretary finds that such additive is suitable and may safely be employed for such general use.

(B) If the data before the Secretary do not establish that the additive satisfies the requirements for listing such additive on the applicable list pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, or if the proposal is for listing such additive for a more limited use or uses, such regulations may list such additive only for any more limited use or uses for which it is suitable and may safely be employed.

(3) Such regulations shall, to the extent deemed necessary by the Secretary to assure the safety of the use or uses for which a particular color additive is listed, prescribe the conditions under which such additive may be safely employed for such use or uses (including, but not limited to, specifications, hereafter in this section referred to as tolerance limitations, as to the maximum quantity or quantities which may be used or permitted to remain in or on the article or articles in or on which it is used; specifications as to the manner in which such additive may be added to or used in or on such article or articles; and directions or other labeling or packaging requirements for such additive).

(4) The Secretary shall not list a color additive under this section for a proposed use unless the data before him establish that such use, under the conditions of use specified in the regulations, will be safe: *Provided*, *however*, That a color additive shall be deemed to be suitable and safe for the purpose of listing under this subsection for use generally in or on food, while there is in effect a published finding of the Secretary declaring such substance exempt from