

vision of law so amended with respect to the 2004 or an earlier crop of tobacco, see section 614 of Pub. L. 108-357, set out as a note under section 515 of this title.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of all officers, agencies, and employees of Department of Agriculture transferred, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of Agriculture by 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 2, § 1, eff. June 4, 1953, 18 F.R. 3219, 67 Stat. 633, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

Administration of program of Federal Crop Insurance Corporation transferred to Secretary of Agriculture by 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 501, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7877, 60 Stat. 1100, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Functions of Bureau of Agricultural Economics transferred to other units of Department of Agriculture under Secretary's memorandum 1320, supp. 4, of Nov. 2, 1953.

RULEMAKING PROCEDURES

Pub. L. 99-272, title I, § 1108(c), Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 95, provided that: "The Secretary of Agriculture shall implement sections 1102 through 1109, and the amendments made by such sections [enacting sections 1314g, 1314h, and 1445-3 of this title, amending this section and sections 1312, 1314c, 1314e, 1372, 1445, 1445-1, and 1445-2 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1314c, 1314e, 1314g, 1314h, 1372, 1445, 1445-1, and 1445-2 of this title], without regard to the provisions requiring notice and other procedures for public participation in rulemaking contained in section 553 of title 5, United States Code, or in any directive of the Secretary."

STUDY OF METHODS OF IMPROVING PARITY FORMULA

Act May 28, 1956, ch. 327, title VI, § 602, 70 Stat. 213, required the Secretary to make a thorough study of the possible methods of improving the parity formula and report thereon, with specific recommendations, including drafts of necessary legislation to carry out such recommendations, to Congress not later than Jan. 31, 1957.

§ 1301a. References to parity prices, etc., in other laws after January 1, 1950

All references in other laws to—

- (1) parity,
- (2) parity prices,
- (3) prices comparable to parity prices, or
- (4) prices to be determined in the same manner as provided by this chapter prior to January 1, 1950 for the determination of parity prices,

with respect to prices for agricultural commodities and products thereof, shall after January 1, 1950 be deemed to refer to parity prices as determined in accordance with the provisions of section 1301(a)(1) of this title.

(July 3, 1948, ch. 827, title III, § 302(f), 62 Stat. 1258.)

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Agricultural Act of 1948, and not as part of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 which comprises this chapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1950, see section 303 of act July 3, 1948, set out as an Effective Date of 1948 Amendment note under section 1301 of this title.

§ 1301b. Repealed. Pub. L. 85-835, title I, § 108, Aug. 28, 1958, 72 Stat. 993

Section, act Aug. 29, 1949, ch. 518, § 3(a), 63 Stat. 676, prescribed standard cotton grade for parity and price support purposes.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 85-835, title I, § 108, Aug. 28, 1958, 72 Stat. 993, provided in part that: "This section [amending section 1423 of this title and repealing this section] shall become effective with the 1961 crop."

§ 1302. Repealed. Oct. 31, 1949, ch. 792, title IV, § 414, 63 Stat. 1057

Section, acts Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title III, § 302, 52 Stat. 43; June 21, 1938, ch. 554, title V, § 502, 52 Stat. 820; July 3, 1948, ch. 827, title II, § 202(a), 62 Stat. 1252, related to price support of agricultural commodities.

§ 1303. Parity payments

If and when appropriations are made therefor, the Secretary is authorized and directed to make payments to producers of corn, wheat, cotton, or rice, on their normal production of such commodities in amounts which, together with the proceeds thereof, will provide a return to such producers which is as nearly equal to parity price as the funds so made available will permit. All funds available for such payments with respect to these commodities shall unless otherwise provided by law, be apportioned to these commodities in proportion to the amount by which each fails to reach the parity income. Such payments shall be in addition to and not in substitution for any other payments authorized by law.

(Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title III, § 303, 52 Stat. 45; Pub. L. 108-357, title VI, § 611(g), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1522.)

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-357 substituted "or rice," for "rice, or tobacco,".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 108-357 applicable to the 2005 and subsequent crops of tobacco, see section 643 of Pub. L. 108-357, set out as an Effective Date note under section 518 of this title.

SAVINGS PROVISION

Amendment by sections 611 to 614 of Pub. L. 108-357 not to affect the liability of any person under any provision of law so amended with respect to the 2004 or an earlier crop of tobacco, see section 614 of Pub. L. 108-357, set out as a note under section 515 of this title.

§ 1304. Consumer safeguards

The powers conferred under this chapter shall not be used to discourage the production of supplies of foods and fibers sufficient to maintain normal domestic human consumption as determined by the Secretary from the records of domestic human consumption in the years 1920 to 1929, inclusive, taking into consideration increased population quantities of any commodity that were forced into domestic consumption by decline in exports during such period, current trends in domestic consumption and exports of particular commodities, and the quantities of substitutes available for domestic consumption within any general class of food commodities. In carrying out the purposes of this chapter it shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due regard to the maintenance of a continuous and stable supply of agricultural commodities from domestic production adequate to meet consumer de-