

Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 633, as amended. Title I of the Act is classified principally to chapter 69 (§5301 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5301 of Title 42 and Tables.

§ 2008o. Historic barn preservation

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Barn

The term “barn” means a building (other than a dwelling) on a farm, ranch, or other agricultural operation for—

- (A) housing animals;
- (B) storing or processing crops;
- (C) storing and maintaining agricultural equipment; or
- (D) serving an essential or useful purpose related to agricultural activities conducted on the adjacent land.

(2) Eligible applicant

The term “eligible applicant” means—

- (A) a State department of agriculture (or a designee);
- (B) a national or State nonprofit organization that—
 - (i) is described in section 501(c)(3) of title 26 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of title 26; and
 - (ii) has experience or expertise, as determined by the Secretary, in the identification, evaluation, rehabilitation, preservation, or protection of historic barns; and
- (C) a State historic preservation office.

(3) Historic barn

The term “historic barn” means a barn that—

- (A) is at least 50 years old;
- (B) retains sufficient integrity of design, materials, and construction to clearly identify the barn as an agricultural building; and
- (C) meets the criteria for listing on National, State, or local registers or inventories of historic structures.

(4) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary, acting through the Under Secretary of Rural Development.

(b) Program

The Secretary shall establish a historic barn preservation program—

- (1) to assist States in developing a list of historic barns;
- (2) to collect and disseminate information on historic barns;
- (3) to foster educational programs relating to the history, construction techniques, rehabilitation, and contribution to society of historic barns; and
- (4) to sponsor and conduct research on—
 - (A) the history of barns; and
 - (B) best practices to protect and rehabilitate historic barns from the effects of decay, fire, arson, and natural disasters.

(c) Grants

(1) In general

The Secretary may make grants to, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements

with, eligible applicants to carry out an eligible project under paragraph (2).

(2) Eligible projects

A grant under this subsection may be made to an eligible applicant for a project—

- (A) to rehabilitate or repair historic barns;
- (B) to preserve historic barns through—
 - (i) the installation of a fire protection system, including fireproofing or fire detection system and sprinklers; and
 - (ii) the installation of a system to prevent vandalism; and
- (C) to identify, document, and conduct research on historic barns (including surveys) to develop and evaluate appropriate techniques or best practices for protecting historic barns.

(3) Priority

In making grants under this subsection, the Secretary shall give the highest priority to funding projects described in paragraph (2)(C).

(4) Requirements

An eligible applicant that receives a grant for a project under this subsection shall comply with any standards established by the Secretary of the Interior for historic preservation projects.

(5) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(Pub. L. 87–128, title III, § 379A, as added Pub. L. 107–171, title VI, § 6023, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 370; amended Pub. L. 110–234, title VI, § 6020, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1172; Pub. L. 110–246, § 4(a), title VI, § 6020, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1934.)

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)(2)(A), (B). Pub. L. 110–246, § 6020(a)(1)(A), substituted “historic barns” for “a historic barn”.

Subsec. (c)(2)(C). Pub. L. 110–246, § 6020(a)(1)(B), substituted “on historic barns (including surveys)” for “on a historic barn”.

Subsec. (c)(3) to (5). Pub. L. 110–246, § 6020(a)(2), (3), (b), added par. (3), redesignated former pars. (3) and (4) as (4) and (5), respectively, and, in par. (5), substituted “2008 through 2012” for “2002 through 2007”.

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.

§ 2008p. Grants for NOAA weather radio transmitters

(a) In general

The Secretary, acting through the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service, may make grants to public and nonprofit entities, and borrowers of loans made by the Rural Utilities