

Section was enacted as part of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008, and not as part of title IX of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 which comprises this chapter.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 8109 of this title prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 110-246.

#### AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (a)(4)(B). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(1), substituted “other appropriate Federal agencies (as determined by the Secretary)” for “the Department of Energy”.

Subsec. (b)(1)(A). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(2)(A), struck out “at South Dakota State University” after “center”.

Subsec. (b)(1)(B). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(2)(B), struck out “at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville” after “center” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b)(1)(C). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(2)(C), struck out “at Oklahoma State University” after “center”.

Subsec. (b)(1)(D). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(2)(D), struck out “at Oregon State University” after “center” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b)(1)(E). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(2)(E), struck out “at Cornell University” after “center”.

Subsec. (b)(1)(F). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(2)(F), struck out “at the University of Hawaii” after “subcenter”.

Subsec. (c)(1)(B). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(3)(A), substituted “integrated, multistate research, extension, and education programs on technology development and technology implementation” for “multistate—

“(i) research, extension, and education programs on technology development; and

“(ii) integrated research, extension, and education programs on technology implementation”.

Subsec. (c)(1)(C), (D). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(3)(B), (C), redesignated subpar. (D) as (C) and struck out former subpar. (C) which related to funding allocation.

Subsec. (c)(1)(D)(iv)(IV). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7128(b)(5), added subcl. (IV).

Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(4)(A), struck out “in accordance with paragraph (2)” after “industry” and substituted “bioproducts” for “gasification” and “other appropriate Federal agencies” for “the Department of Energy”.

Subsec. (d)(2) to (4). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(4)(B), (C), redesignated pars. (3) and (4) as (2) and (3), respectively, and struck out former par. (2). Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “With respect to gasification research activity, the sun grant centers and subcenter shall coordinate planning with land-grant colleges and universities in their respective regions that have ongoing research activities in that area.”

Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(b), substituted “subsection (c)(1)(C)(i)” for “subsection (c)(1)(D)(i)”.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7516(a)(5), substituted “2018” for “2012”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment 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 a note under section 8701 of this title.

#### DEFINITION OF “SECRETARY”

“Secretary” as meaning the Secretary of Agriculture, see section 8701 of this title.

### CHAPTER 108—TREE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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### § 8201. Definitions

In this chapter:

#### (1) Eligible orchardist

The term “eligible orchardist” means a person that produces annual crops from trees for commercial purposes.

#### (2) Natural disaster

The term “natural disaster” means plant disease, insect infestation, drought, fire, freeze, flood, earthquake, lightning, and other occurrence, as determined by the Secretary.

#### (3) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

#### (4) Tree

The term “tree” includes a tree, bush, and vine.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title X, § 10201, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 490.)

### § 8202. Eligibility

#### (a) Loss

Subject to subsection (b), the Secretary shall provide assistance under section 8203 of this title to eligible orchardists that planted trees for commercial purposes but lost the trees as a result of a natural disaster, as determined by the Secretary.

#### (b) Limitation

An eligible orchardist shall qualify for assistance under subsection (a) only if the tree mortality of the eligible orchardist, as a result of damaging weather or related condition, exceeds 15 percent (adjusted for normal mortality).

(Pub. L. 107-171, title X, § 10202, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 490.)

### § 8203. Assistance

Subject to section 8204 of this title, the assistance provided by the Secretary to eligible orchardists for losses described in section 8202 of this title shall consist of—

(1) reimbursement of 75 percent of the cost of replanting trees lost due to a natural disaster, as determined by the Secretary, in excess of 15 percent mortality (adjusted for normal mortality); or

(2) at the option of the Secretary, sufficient seedlings to reestablish a stand.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title X, § 10203, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 491.)

### § 8204. Limitations on assistance

#### (a) Amount

The total amount of payments that a person shall be entitled to receive under this chapter may not exceed \$75,000, or an equivalent value in tree seedlings.

#### (b) Acres

The total quantity of acres planted to trees or tree seedlings for which a person shall be entitled to receive payments under this chapter may not exceed 500 acres.