

**§ 612c-1. Authorization for appropriations to increase domestic consumption of surplus farm commodities**

On and after December 30, 1963, such sums (not in excess of \$25,000,000 in any one year) as may be approved by the Congress shall be available for the purpose of increasing domestic consumption of any farm commodity or farm commodities determined by the Secretary of Agriculture to be in surplus supply, such authorization not to restrict authority in existing law, of which amount \$11,000,000 shall remain available until expended for construction and equipping of research facilities determined to be needed as a result of a special survey.

(Pub. L. 88-250, title I, §101, Dec. 30, 1963, 77 Stat. 826.)

CODIFICATION

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

**§ 612c-2. Technical support to exporters and importers of United States agricultural products; scope of support provided by Department of Agriculture**

The Department of Agriculture shall provide technical support to exporters and importers of United States agricultural products when so requested. Such support shall include, but not be limited to, a review of the feasibility of the export proposal, adequacy of sources of supply, compliance with trade regulations of the United States and the importing country and such other information or guidance as may be needed to expand and expedite United States agricultural exports by private trading interests.

(Pub. L. 91-524, title VIII, §811, as added Pub. L. 93-86, §1(27)(B), Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 238.)

CODIFICATION

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

**§ 612c-3. Repealed. Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, § 1578, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3702**

Section, Pub. L. 91-524, title VIII, §812, as added Pub. L. 93-86, §1(27)(B), Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 238, and amended Pub. L. 95-113, title X, §1005, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 951; Pub. L. 97-444, title II, §238, Jan. 11, 1983, 96 Stat. 2326, required exporters to report export sales and restricted President from prohibiting or curtailing certain exports. See section 5712 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1578, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3702, provided that the repeal of this section is effective upon the effective date of regulations promulgated under former section 5664 of this title, as amended by title XV of Pub. L. 101-624. Implementing regulations were promulgated and published in the Federal Register as follows:

May 30, 1991, eff. July 8, 1991, 56 F.R. 25998.  
June 3, 1991, eff. June 7, 1991, 56 F.R. 26323.  
Aug. 16, 1991, eff. Aug. 27, 1991, 56 F.R. 42222.

**§ 612c-4. Purchase of specialty crops**

**(a) General purchase authority**

Of the funds made available under section 612c of this title, for fiscal year 2002 and each subse-

quent fiscal year, the Secretary of Agriculture shall use not less than \$200,000,000 each fiscal year to purchase fruits, vegetables, and other specialty food crops.

**(b) Purchase of fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution to schools and service institutions**

The Secretary of Agriculture shall purchase fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution to schools and service institutions in accordance with section 1755(a) of title 42 using, of the amount specified in subsection (a), not less than \$50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

**(c) Definitions**

In this section, the terms “fruits”, “vegetables”, and “other specialty food crops” shall have the meaning given the terms by the Secretary of Agriculture.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title X, §10603, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 511; Pub. L. 110-234, title IV, §4404(c), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1138; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title IV, §4404(c), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1899; Pub. L. 113-79, title IV, §4201, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 821.)

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.

Section was enacted as part of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, and not as part of the Agricultural Adjustment Act which comprises this chapter.

AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 113-79 substituted “2018” for “2012”.

2008—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 110-246, §4404(c), added subsec. (b) and struck out former subsec. (b) which related to authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution to schools and service institutions and to provide for the Secretary of Defense to serve as the servicing agency for their procurement.

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, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

Amendment by section 4404(c) of Pub. L. 110-246 effective Oct. 1, 2008, see section 4407 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 1161 of Title 2, The Congress.

**§ 612c-5. Section 612c funds for purchase of fruits, vegetables, and nuts to support domestic nutrition assistance programs**

**(a) Funding for additional purchases of fruits, vegetables, and nuts**

In addition to the purchases of fruits, vegetables, and nuts required by section 612c-4 of this title, the Secretary of Agriculture shall purchase fruits, vegetables, and nuts for the purpose of providing nutritious foods for use in domestic nutrition assistance programs, using, of the funds made available under section 612c of this title, the following amounts: