for the sales commissions of agents may not exceed 8.5 percent of the total amount of premiums paid for additional coverage for the 1997 reinsurance year."

Subsec. (b)(2)(A). Pub. L. 104–127, §193(e)(3), struck out ", noninsured assistance benefits," after "all premium subsidies".

Subsec. (b)(2)(B). Pub. L. 104-127,  $\S193(e)(2)(B)$ , struck out "subject to paragraph (1)(B)," before "in the case of each".

1994—Pub. L. 103–354 amended section generally, substituting subsecs. (a) to (c) for former subsecs. (a) to (d) relating to authorization of appropriations to cover operating and administrative costs of Corporation, issuance of regulations, emergency funding, and borrowing authority.

1985—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 99–198 struck out provision that Secretary's authority to use the funds of Commodity Credit Corporation for purposes of this subsection would expire one year after date on which that authority was first used.

1981—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97–11 designated existing

provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2). 1980—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 96–365, §109, substituted appropriations authorization of necessary sums for former limitation of \$12,000,000 for each fiscal year beginning after June 30, 1938; included as costs agents' and brokers' commissions, interest on Treasury notes and other obligations, partial premium payments by the Corporation, and the direct cost of loss adjusters for crop inspections and loss adjustments and authorized payment of these costs from premium income and other Corporation funds and restoration of such payments through subsequent year appropriations; prescribed limitation on employment of additional personnel except during emergencies; and deleted provisions for for consideration as being nonadministrative or nonoperating expenses such expenses as related to purchase, transportation, handling, or sale of the agricultural commodity and the direct cost of loss adjusters for crop inspections and loss adjustments and provision for use of premium income for administrative and operating costs within limits prescribed in applicable appropriations.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 96–365, §110, added subsecs. (c) and (d)

1956—Subsec. (a). Act Aug. 3, 1956, added to list of costs which may be considered as nonadministrative or nonoperating, the direct cost of loss adjusters for crop inspections and loss adjustment, and authorized use of premium income for administrative and operating costs within limits prescribed by applicable appropriation

1941—Subsec. (a). Act June 21, 1941, substituted "the agricultural commodity" for "wheat", and "\$12,000,000" for "\$6.000.000".

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-185 effective July 1, 1998, see section 537 of Pub. L. 105-185, set out as a note under section 1506 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103–354 effective Oct. 13, 1994, and applicable to provision of crop insurance under Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) beginning with 1995 crop year, with such Act, as in effect on the day before Oct. 13, 1994, to continue to apply with respect to 1994 crop year, see section 120 of Pub. L. 103–354, set out as a note under section 1502 of this title.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 96–365, title I, §109, Sept. 26, 1980, 94 Stat. 1317, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective Oct. 1, 1980.

Pub. L. 96–365, title I, §110, Sept. 26, 1980, 94 Stat. 1318, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective Oct. 1, 1980.

### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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. See note set out under section 1503 of this title.

Wartime consolidation of Federal Crop Insurance Corporation into Agricultural Conservation and Adjustment Administration, see note set out under section 1503 of this title.

#### ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Act Dec. 23, 1944, ch. 713, §6, 58 Stat. 920, provided an additional appropriation not to exceed \$3,000,000 to be available for the fiscal year 1945 to carry out the provisions of this chapter for the fiscal years 1943 and 1944.

#### § 1517. Separability

The sections of this subchapter and subdivisions of sections are declared to be separable, and in the event any one or more sections or parts of the same of this subchapter be held to be unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of other sections or parts of sections of this subchapter.

(Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title V, §517, 52 Stat. 77; Pub. L. 110–234, title XII, §12033(c)(2)(B), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1405; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XII, §12033(c)(2)(B), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2167.)

#### 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—Pub. L. 110-246, §12033(c)(2)(B), substituted "this subchapter" for "this chapter" wherever appearing.

#### 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.

# § 1518. "Agricultural commodity" defined

"Agricultural commodity", as used in this subchapter, means wheat, cotton, flax, corn, dry beans, oats, barley, rye, tobacco, rice, peanuts, soybeans, sugar beets, sugar cane, tomatoes, grain sorghum, sunflowers, raisins, oranges, sweet corn, dry peas, freezing and canning peas, forage, apples, grapes, potatoes, timber and forests, nursery crops, citrus, and other fruits and vegetables, nuts, tame hay, native grass, aquacultural species (including, but not limited to, any species of finfish, mollusk, crustacean, or other aquatic invertebrate, amphibian, reptile, or aquatic plant propagated or reared in a controlled or selected environment), or any other agricultural commodity, excluding stored grain, determined by the Board, or any one or more of such commodities, as the context may indicate.

(Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title V, §518, as added June 21, 1941, ch. 214, §9, 55 Stat. 256; amended Dec. 23, 1944, ch. 713, §4, 58 Stat. 919; Aug. 25, 1949, ch. 512, §9, 63 Stat. 665; Pub. L. 96–365, title I, §111, Sept. 26, 1980, 94 Stat. 1319; Pub. L. 102–237, title VI, §601(6), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1878; Pub. L. 103–354, title I, §119(f)(3), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3208; Pub. L. 106–224, title I, §132(b), June 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 386; Pub. L. 110–234, title XII,

§12033(c)(2)(B), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1405; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XII, §12033(c)(2)(B), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2167.)

#### 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.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A former section 1518, act Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title V, §518, 52 Stat. 77, was transferred to section 1519 of this title at the time of the renumbering of such section 518 of act Feb. 16, 1938, as section 519 by act June 21, 1941, ch. 214, §9, 55 Stat. 256.

#### AMENDMENTS

2008—Pub. L. 110–246, 12033(c)(2)(B), substituted ''this subchapter'' for ''this chapter''.

2000—Pub. L. 106-224 struck out "livestock and" before "stored grain" and "under subsection (a) or (m) of section 1508 of this title" after "by the Board".

1994—Pub. L. 103–354 substituted ''(m)'' for ''(k)'' after "subsection (a) or".

1991—Pub. L. 102–237 substituted "subsection (a) or (k)" for "subsection (a) or (i)".

1980—Pub. L. 96-365 extended definition of "agricultural commodity" to include tomatoes, grain sorghum, sunflowers, raisins, oranges, sweet corn, dry peas, freezing and canning peas, forage, apples, grapes, nursery crops, and aquacultural species as illustrated but not limited, excluded livestock and stored grain, substituted "sugar cane" for "sugarcane", and inserted reference to subsec. (i) of section 1508 of this title.

1949—Act Aug. 25, 1949, amended section to correct a clerical error in citation of "subsection (a) of section 1508"

1944—Act Dec. 23, 1944, increased scope of definition of "agricultural commodity" from "wheat or cotton" to include all crops now set out.

### 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.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-224 effective Oct. 1, 2000, see section 171(b)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 106-224, set out as a note under section 1501 of this title.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103–354 effective Oct. 13, 1994, and applicable to provision of crop insurance under Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) beginning with 1995 crop year, with such Act, as in effect on the day before Oct. 13, 1994, to continue to apply with respect to 1994 crop year, see section 120 of Pub. L. 103–354, set out as a note under section 1502 of this title.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-365 effective Sept. 26, 1980, see section 112 of Pub. L. 96-365, set out as a note under section 1504 of this title.

## § 1519. Repealed. Pub. L. 104–127, title I, § 196(j), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 950

Section, act Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title V,  $\S519$ , formerly  $\S518$ , 52 Stat. 77; renumbered  $\S519$ , June 21, 1941, ch. 214,  $\S9$ , 55 Stat. 256; amended Oct. 13, 1994, Pub. L. 103–354, title I,  $\S\S111$ , 112, 108 Stat. 3199, 3202, related to noninsured crop disaster assistance program. See section 7333 of this title.

### § 1520. Producer eligibility

Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, a producer shall not be denied insurance under this subchapter if—

- (1) for purposes of catastrophic risk protection coverage, the producer is a "person" (as defined by the Secretary); and
- (2) for purposes of any other plan of insurance, the producer is 18 years of age and has a bona fide insurable interest in a crop as an owner-operator, landlord, tenant, or share-cropper.

(Feb. 16, 1938, ch. 30, title V, §520, as added Pub. L. 92–357, July 28, 1972, 86 Stat. 501; amended Pub. L. 103–354, title I, §113, Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3203; Pub. L. 110–234, title XII, §12033(c)(2)(B), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1405; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XII, §12033(c)(2)(B), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2167.)

#### 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—Pub. L. 110–246, 12033(c)(2)(B), substituted "this subchapter" for "this chapter" in two places in introductory provisions.

1994—Pub. L. 103–354 substituted "Producer eligibility" for "Persons under twenty-one years of age" in section catchline and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person shall be denied insurance under this chapter solely on the ground that he is under twenty-one years of age if such person is (1) over eighteen years of age, and (2) has a bona fide insurable interest in a crop as an owner-operator, landlord, tenant or sharecropper: Provided, That any such person who enters into a Federal Crop Insurance contract shall be subject to the same legal liability and have the same legal rights with respect to such contract as any person over the age of twenty-one years."

### 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.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103–354 effective Oct. 13, 1994, and applicable to provision of crop insurance under Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) beginning with 1995 crop year, with such Act, as in effect on the day before Oct. 13, 1994, to continue to apply with respect to 1994 crop year, see section 120 of Pub. L. 103–354, set out as a note under section 1502 of this title.

### § 1521. Ineligibility for catastrophic risk and noninsured assistance payments

If the Secretary determines that a person has knowingly adopted a material scheme or device to obtain catastrophic risk, additional coverage, or noninsured assistance benefits under this subchapter to which the person is not entitled, has evaded this subchapter, or has acted with the purposes of evading this subchapter, the person shall be ineligible to receive all benefits applicable to the crop year for which the scheme or device was adopted.