

§§ 7130, 7207(b), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 435, 440, related to the Thomas Jefferson Initiative for Crop Diversification, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, § 7305, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1242, and Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title VII, § 7305, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2003. Repeal of prior section 7625 and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008.

CONSTRUCTION

Nothing in this section to be construed to apply to certain alcohol-related facilities, to alter jurisdiction and authorities established under certain other Acts, or in a manner inconsistent with international agreements to which the United States is a party, see sections 2206, 2251, and 2252 of Title 21, Food and Drugs.

§ 7626. Integrated research, education, and extension competitive grants program

(a) Purpose

It is the purpose of this section to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to establish an integrated research, education, and extension competitive grant program to provide funding for integrated, multifunctional agricultural research, extension, and education activities.

(b) Competitive grants authorized

Subject to the availability of appropriations to carry out this section, the Secretary may award grants to colleges and universities (as defined in section 3103 of this title), 1994 Institutions, and Hispanic-serving agricultural colleges and universities on a competitive basis for integrated agricultural research, education, and extension projects in accordance with this section.

(c) Criteria for grants

Grants under this section shall be awarded to address priorities in United States agriculture, determined by the Secretary in consultation with the Advisory Board, that involve integrated research, extension, and education activities.

(d) Term of grant

A grant under this section shall have a term of not more than 5 years.

(e) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2018.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title IV, § 406, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 573; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, §§ 7125, 7206, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 434, 439; Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §§ 7129(c)(4), 7306, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1227, 1242; Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title VII, §§ 7129(c)(4), 7306, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1988, 2004; Pub. L. 113-79, title VII, §§ 7128(b)(3)(A), 7302, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 879, 887.)

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

2014—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7128(b)(3)(A), redesignated subsec. (e) as (d) and struck out former subsec. (d) which related to matching funds requirement.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7302, substituted “2018” for “2012”.

Pub. L. 113-79, § 7128(b)(3)(A)(ii), redesignated subsec. (f) as (e).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 113-79, § 7128(b)(3)(A)(ii), redesignated subsec. (f) as (e).

2008—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 110-246, § 7129(c)(4), substituted “, 1994 Institutions, and Hispanic-serving agricultural colleges and universities” for “and 1994 Institutions”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 110-246, § 7306, substituted “2012” for “2007”.

2002—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 107-171, § 7206, inserted “and 1994 Institutions” before “on a competitive basis”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 107-171, § 7125(1), (2), added subsec. (e). Former subsec. (e) redesignated (f).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 107-171, § 7125(1), (3), redesignated subsec. (e) as (f) and substituted “2007” for “2002”.

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.

§ 7627. Coordinated program of research, extension, and education to improve viability of small and medium size dairy, livestock, and poultry operations

(a) Program authorized

The Secretary of Agriculture may carry out a coordinated program of research, extension, and education to improve the competitiveness, viability, and sustainability of small and medium size dairy, livestock, and poultry operations (referred to in this section as “operations”).

(b) Components

To the extent the Secretary elects to carry out the program, the Secretary shall conduct—

(1) research, development, and on-farm extension and education concerning low-cost production facilities and practices, management systems, and genetics that are appropriate for the operations;

(2) in the case of dairy and livestock operations, research and extension on management-intensive grazing systems for dairy and livestock production to realize the potential for reduced capital and feed costs through greater use of management skills, labor availability optimization, and the natural benefits of grazing pastures;

(3) research and extension on integrated crop and livestock or poultry systems that increase efficiencies (including improved use of energy inputs), reduce costs, and prevent environmental pollution to strengthen the competitive position of the operations;

(4) economic analyses and market feasibility studies to identify new and expanded opportunities for producers on the operations that provide tools and strategies to meet consumer demand in domestic and international markets, such as cooperative marketing and value-added strategies for milk, meat, and poultry production and processing; and

(5) technology assessment that compares the technological resources of large specialized producers with the technological needs of producers on the operations to identify and transfer existing technology across all sizes and scales and to identify the specific research and education needs of the producers.