

other tangible personal property in the contractor or recipient when the contractor or recipient purchases such equipment, supplies, and property with contract, grant, or cooperative agreement funds and the Secretary deems such vesting of title a furtherance of the agricultural research, extension, or teaching objectives of the Department of Agriculture.

**(e) Applicable requirements**

Unless otherwise provided in this chapter, the Secretary may enter into contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements, as authorized by this section, without regard to any requirements for competition, the provisions of section 6101 of title 41, and the provisions of section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31.

(Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1472, as added Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, § 1439(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1315; amended Pub. L. 99-198, title XIV, § 1424, Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1552.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For definition of “this chapter”, referred to in subsec. (e), see note set out under section 3102 of this title.

CODIFICATION

In subsec. (e), “section 6101 of title 41” substituted for “section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U.S.C. 5)” on authority of Pub. L. 111-350, § 6(c), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3854, which Act enacted Title 41, Public Contracts.

In subsec. (e), “section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31” substituted for reference to section 3648 of the Revised Statutes (31 U.S.C. 529) on authority of Pub. L. 97-258, § 4(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1067, the first section of which enacted Title 31, Money and Finance.

AMENDMENTS

1985—Subsecs. (b) to (e), Pub. L. 99-198 added subsec. (b) and redesignated former subsecs. (b) to (d) as (c) to (e), respectively.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97-98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

**§ 3318a. Cooperative research projects; agreements with and receipt of funds from State and other agencies**

On and after December 30, 1963, the Administrator of the Agricultural Research Service may enter into agreements with and receive funds from any State, other political subdivision, organization, or individual for the purpose of conducting cooperative research projects with such cooperators.

(Pub. L. 88-250, title I, Dec. 30, 1963, 77 Stat. 820.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 450a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section was enacted as part of the Department of Agriculture and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1964, and not as part of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 which comprises this chapter.

**§ 3319. Restriction on treatment of indirect costs and tuition remission**

Funds made available by the Secretary under established Federal-State partnership arrange-

ments to State cooperative institutions under the Acts referred to in section 3103(18) of this title and funds made available under subsection (c)(1)(B) of section 3157 of this title shall not be subject to reduction for indirect costs or for tuition remission. No indirect costs or tuition remission shall be charged against funds in connection with cooperative agreements between the Department of Agriculture and State cooperative institutions if the cooperative program or project involved is of mutual interest to all the parties and if all the parties contribute to the cooperative agreement involved. The prohibition on the use of such funds for the reimbursement of indirect costs shall not apply to funds for international agricultural programs conducted by a State cooperative institution and administered by the Secretary or to funds provided by a Federal agency for such cooperative program or project through a fund transfer, advance, or reimbursement. The Secretary shall limit the amount of such reimbursement to an amount necessary to carry out such program or agreement.

(Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1473, as added Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, § 1439(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1315; amended Pub. L. 99-198, title XIV, § 1425, Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1553; Pub. L. 102-237, title IV, § 402(13), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1863; Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §§ 7101(b)(4), 7406(d)(1), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1213, 1252; Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title VII, §§ 7101(b)(4), 7406(d)(1), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1975, 2013.)

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, § 7406(d)(1), struck out “and subsection (d)” before “of section 3157”.

Pub. L. 110-246, § 7101(b)(4), substituted “section 3103(18)” for “section 3103(16)”.

1991—Pub. L. 102-237 substituted “subsection (c)(1)(B)” for “subsection (c)(2)”.

1985—Pub. L. 99-198 inserted provisions making prohibition on use of funds for reimbursement of indirect costs inapplicable to funds for international agricultural programs but required the Secretary to limit the reimbursement to amounts necessary to carry out the programs.

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 7406(d)(1) of Pub. L. 110-246 inapplicable to any solicitation for grant applications issued by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service before June 18, 2008, see section 7406(c) of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 3157 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97-98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

**§ 3319a. Cost-reimbursable agreements**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Agriculture may enter into