

program administered by the Secretary for distribution within the States to eligible recipient agencies, the State may not charge recipient agencies any amount that is in excess of the State's direct costs of storing and transporting the commodities to recipient agencies minus any amount the Secretary provides the State for the costs of storing and transporting such commodities.

(Pub. L. 98-8, title II, §208, Mar. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 36.)

§ 7511a. Emergency food program infrastructure grants

(a) Definition of eligible entity

In this section, the term “eligible entity” means an emergency feeding organization.

(b) Program authorized

(1) In general

The Secretary shall use funds made available under subsection (d) to make grants to eligible entities to pay the costs of an activity described in subsection (c).

(2) Rural preference

The Secretary shall use not less than 50 percent of the funds described in paragraph (1) for a fiscal year to make grants to eligible entities that serve predominantly rural communities for the purposes of—

(A) expanding the capacity and infrastructure of food banks, State-wide food bank associations, and food bank collaboratives that operate in rural areas; and

(B) improving the capacity of the food banks to procure, receive, store, distribute, track, and deliver time-sensitive or perishable food products.

(c) Use of funds

An eligible entity shall use a grant received under this section for any fiscal year to carry out activities of the eligible entity, including—

(1) the development and maintenance of a computerized system for the tracking of time-sensitive food products;

(2) capital, infrastructure, and operating costs associated with the collection, storage, distribution, and transportation of time-sensitive and perishable food products;

(3) improving the security and diversity of the emergency food distribution and recovery systems of the United States through the support of small or mid-size farms and ranches, fisheries, and aquaculture, and donations from local food producers and manufacturers to persons in need;

(4) providing recovered foods to food banks and similar nonprofit emergency food providers to reduce hunger in the United States;

(5) improving the identification of—

(A) potential providers of donated foods;

(B) potential nonprofit emergency food providers; and

(C) persons in need of emergency food assistance in rural areas; and

(6) constructing, expanding, or repairing a facility or equipment to support hunger relief agencies in the community.

(d) Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2023.

(Pub. L. 98-8, title II, §209, as added Pub. L. 110-234, title IV, §4202, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1121; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title IV, §4202, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1883; amended Pub. L. 113-79, title IV, §4027(b), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 812; Pub. L. 115-334, title IV, §4018(d), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4650.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 209 of Pub. L. 98-8, which related to commodity supplemental food program administrative expenses, was set out in a note under section 612c of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 99-198, title XV, §1562(e)(1), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1590.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “2023” for “2018”.

2014—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113-79 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, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 8701 of this title.

Section effective Oct. 1, 2008, see section 4407 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date of 2008 Amendment note under section 1161 of Title 2, The Congress.

§ 7512. Regulations

(a) Issuance

The Secretary shall issue regulations within 30 days to implement this chapter.

(b) Minimization of regulatory requirements

In administering this chapter, the Secretary shall minimize, to the maximum extent practicable, the regulatory, recordkeeping, and paperwork requirements imposed on eligible recipient agencies.

(c) Publication in Federal Register

(1) The Secretary shall as early as feasible but not later than the beginning of each fiscal year, publish in the Federal Register an estimate of the types and quantities of commodities that the Secretary anticipates are likely to be made available under the commodity distribution program under this chapter during the fiscal year.

(2) The actual types and quantities of commodities made available by the Secretary under this chapter may differ from the estimates made under paragraph (1).

(d) Standards of liability for commodity losses

The regulations issued by the Secretary under this section shall include provisions that set standards with respect to liability for commodity losses under the program under this chapter in situations in which there is no evidence of negligence or fraud, and conditions for payment to cover such losses. Such provisions shall take