

**(2) Information technologies**

The Secretary shall use an appropriate amount of the funds provided under this section to employ information technologies known as data mining and data warehousing and other available information technologies to administer the supplemental nutrition assistance program and enforce regulations promulgated under section 2013(c) of this title.

**(c) Funding****(1) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2023.

**(2) Mandatory funding****(A) In general**

Out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to the Secretary to carry out this section not less than \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2014, to remain available until expended.

**(B) Receipt and acceptance**

The Secretary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and shall use to carry out this section the funds transferred under subparagraph (A), without further appropriation.

**(C) Maintenance of funding**

The funding provided under subparagraph (A) shall supplement (and not supplant) other Federal funding for programs carried out under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 88-525, § 29, as added Pub. L. 113-79, title IV, § 4029, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 813; amended Pub. L. 115-334, title IV, § 4020, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4652.)

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “2023” for “2018”.

**§ 2036c. Annual State report on verification of SNAP participation****(a) Annual report**

Not later than 1 year after the date specified by the Secretary during the 180-day period beginning on February 7, 2014, and annually thereafter, each State agency that carries out the supplemental nutrition assistance program established under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) shall submit to the Secretary a report containing sufficient information for the Secretary to determine whether the State agency has, for the most recently concluded fiscal year preceding that annual date, verified that the State agency in that fiscal year—

- (1) did not issue benefits to a deceased individual; and
- (2) did not issue benefits to an individual who had been permanently disqualified from receiving benefits.

**(b) Penalty for noncompliance**

For any fiscal year for which a State agency fails to comply with subsection (a), the Secretary shall impose a penalty that includes a re-

duction of up to 50 percent of the amount that would be otherwise payable to the State agency under section 16(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2025(a)) with respect to that fiscal year.

**(c) Report of pilot program to test prevention of duplicate participation**

Not later than 90 days after the completion in multiple States of a temporary pilot program to test the detection and prevention of duplicate participation by beneficiaries of the supplemental nutrition assistance program established under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report assessing the feasibility, effectiveness, and cost for the expansion of the pilot program nationwide.

(Pub. L. 113-79, title IV, § 4032, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 817.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (c), is Pub. L. 88-525, Aug. 31, 1964, 78 Stat. 703, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2011 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Agricultural Act of 2014, and not as part of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 which comprises this chapter.

## DEFINITION OF “SECRETARY”

“Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture, see section 9001 of this title.

**§ 2036d. Pilot projects to encourage the use of public-private partnerships committed to addressing food insecurity****(a) In general**

The Secretary may, on application of eligible entities, approve not more than 10 pilot projects to support public-private partnerships that address food insecurity and poverty.

**(b) Definitions**

For purposes of this section—

- (1) the term “eligible entity” means—
  - (A) a nonprofit organization;
  - (B) a community-based organization;
  - (C) an institution of higher education; or
  - (D) a private entity, as determined by the Secretary; and
- (2) the term “public agency” means a department, agency, other unit, or instrumentality of Federal, State, or local government.

**(c) Project requirements**

Projects approved under this section shall—

- (1) be limited to 2 years in length; and
- (2) include a collaboration between one or more public agencies and one or more eligible entities that—
  - (A) improves the effectiveness and impact of the supplemental nutrition assistance program;
  - (B) develops food security solutions that are specific to the needs of a community or region; and