

“Morrill Act” and also as the “First Morrill Act”, which is classified generally to subchapter I (§301 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 301 of this title and Tables.

Act of August 30, 1890, referred to in subsec. (a), is act Aug. 30, 1890, ch. 841, 26 Stat. 417, as amended, popularly known as the Agricultural College Act of 1890 and also as the Second Morrill Act, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§321 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 321 of this title and Tables.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2664, Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §504, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 673, related to conducting of programs authorized by this subchapter, by cooperating colleges and universities, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “subject to approval by the Secretary” for “subject to approval by the Secretary of Agriculture”.

#### 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.

### § 2665. Withholding funds

If the Secretary determines that a State is not eligible to receive part or all of the funds to which it is otherwise entitled for programs under section 2662(a) and (b) of this title because of a failure to comply with regulations issued by the Secretary under this subchapter, the facts and reasons therefor shall be reported to the President, and the amount involved shall be kept separate in the Treasury until the expiration of the Congress next succeeding the session of the legislature of the State from which funds have been withheld in order that the State may, if it should so desire, appeal to Congress from the determination of the Secretary. If the next Congress shall not direct such sum to be paid, it shall be covered into the Treasury. If any portion of the moneys that are received by the designated officers of any State for the support and maintenance of programs authorized under this subchapter shall by any action or contingency be diminished or lost, or be misapplied, it shall be replaced by the State.

(Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §505, as added Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326; amended Pub. L. 115-334, title VI, §6101(a)(3)(B), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4727.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2665, Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §505, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 673, related to agreements and plans, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in former section 2666 of this title, prior to its repeal by Pub. L. 97-98.

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “If the Secretary” for “If the Secretary of Agriculture”.

#### 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.

### § 2666. Definitions

For the purposes of this subchapter—

(a) “rural development” means the planning, financing, and development of facilities and services in rural areas that contribute to making those areas desirable places in which to live and make private and business investments; the planning, development, and expansion of business and industry in rural areas to provide increased employment and income; the planning, development, conservation, and use of land, water, and other natural resources of rural areas to maintain or improve the quality of the environment for people and business in rural areas; and the building or improvement of institutional, organizational, and leadership capacities of rural citizens and leaders to define and resolve their own community problems;

(b) “State” means the several States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

(c) “small farm” means any farm (1) producing family net income from all sources (farm and nonfarm) below the median nonmetropolitan income of the State; (2) operated by a family dependent on farming for a significant though not necessarily a majority of its income; and (3) on which family members provide most of the labor and management.

(Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §506, as added Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2666, Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §506, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 674, related to withholding of funds, the keeping of a separate account in the Treasury, appeal by a State to Congress, covering of moneys into the Treasury, and State money replacement, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in former section 2667 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-98.

#### 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.

### § 2667. Regulations

The Secretary may issue such regulations as the Secretary determines necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §507, as added Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326; amended Pub. L. 115-334, title VI, §6101(a)(3)(B), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4727.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2667, Pub. L. 92-419, title V, §507, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 674; Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, §1442, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1006; Pub. L. 96-355, §4(4), Sept. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 1174, set forth definitions for purposes of this subchapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, §1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in former section 2668 of this title, which was omitted from the Code.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “The Secretary may issue” for “The Secretary of Agriculture may issue”.

## 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.

**§ 2668. Omitted**

## CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 92-419, title V, § 508, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 674, related to Secretary's authority to promulgate such regulations as might be necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter, prior to the general revision of this subchapter by Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1322. See section 2667 of this title.

**§ 2669. Pilot projects for production and marketing of industrial hydrocarbons and alcohols from agricultural commodities and forest products****(a) Formulation and execution of program**

The Secretary is authorized and directed to formulate and carry out a pilot program for the production and marketing of industrial hydrocarbons derived from agricultural commodities and forest products for the purpose of stabilizing and expanding the market for such commodities and products and expanding the Nation's supply of industrial hydrocarbons.

**(b) Loan guarantees**

The Secretary shall provide for four pilot projects for the production of industrial hydrocarbons and alcohols from agricultural commodities and forest products by guaranteeing loans, not to exceed \$15,000,000 per each such project, to public, private, or cooperative organizations organized for profit or nonprofit, or to individuals for a term not to exceed twenty years at a rate of interest agreed upon by the borrower and lender.

**(c) Conditions**

No loan may be guaranteed under this section unless (1) research indicates the total energy content of the products and byproducts to be manufactured by the loan applicant will exceed the total energy input from fossil fuels used in the manufacture of such products and byproducts, and (2) such other conditions as the Secretary deems appropriate to achieve the purposes of this section are met.

**(d) Long-term contracts to supply agricultural commodities to loan recipients**

In order to assure that the recipients of loans made under this section have a dependable supply of agricultural commodities at a stable price for use in the pilot projects provided for in this section, the Secretary is authorized to enter into long-term contracts, not exceeding five years, with the recipients of such loans. Such contracts shall guarantee the recipients of such loans a specified quantity of agricultural commodities annually at mutually agreed upon prices, but the agricultural commodities shall not be sold under any such contracts at less than the price support level prescribed for the commodity concerned unless the commodities

are out of condition, unstorable, or sample-grade or lower, as prescribed in Department of Agriculture standards.

**(e) Commodity Credit Corporation stocks as supply sources; outside purchases**

The Secretary shall supply from Commodity Credit Corporation stocks or, to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in appropriation Acts, purchase such quantities of agricultural commodities as may be necessary to comply with the terms of agreements entered into under this section.

**(f) Commodity Credit Corporation**

The provisions of this section shall be carried out through the Commodity Credit Corporation.

(Pub. L. 92-419, title V, § 508, formerly § 509, as added Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1420, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 998; renumbered Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, § 1444(b), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.)

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 1901 of Pub. L. 95-113, set out as an Effective Date of 1977 Amendment note under section 1307 of this title.

**§ 2670. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-98, title XIV, § 1444(b), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326**

Section, Pub. L. 92-419, title V, § 510, as added Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1443, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1006, required an annual evaluation by Secretary of effectiveness of programs established under section 2662(c) and (d) of this title and submission of an annual report to Congress on that evaluation and operation of programs during previous year.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97-98, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4301 of this title.

**§ 2671. Establishment of technical assistance program****(a) Definition**

In this section, the term “tribally designated housing entity” has the meaning given the term in section 4103 of title 25.

**(b) In general**

The Secretary shall, in coordination with the Office of Tribal Relations established under section 6921<sup>1</sup> of this title, provide technical assistance to improve access by Tribal entities to rural development programs funded by the Department of Agriculture through available cooperative agreement authorities of the Secretary.

**(c) Technical assistance**

Technical assistance provided under subsection (b) shall address the unique challenge of Tribal governments, Tribal producers, Tribal businesses, Tribal business entities, and tribally designated housing entities in accessing Department of Agriculture-supported rural infrastructure, rural cooperative development, rural business and industry, rural housing, and other rural development activities.

(Pub. L. 115-334, title VI, § 6302, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4748.)

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.