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**CHAPTER 92—SOYBEAN PROMOTION,  
RESEARCH, AND CONSUMER INFORMATION**

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**§ 6301. Findings and declaration of policy**

**(a) Findings**

Congress finds that—

(1) soybeans are an important source of nutritious foods that are a valuable part of the human diet and are an important feedstuff for the livestock industry;

(2) the production of soybeans plays a significant role in the economy of the United States in that soybeans are produced by thousands of soybean producers, processed by numerous processing entities, and soybeans and soybean products produced in the United States are consumed by people and livestock throughout the United States and foreign countries;

(3) soybeans and soybean products should be readily available and marketed efficiently to ensure that consumers have an adequate supply of soybean products at a reasonable price;

(4) the maintenance and expansion of existing markets and development of new markets for soybeans and soybean products are vital to the welfare of soybean producers and processors and those concerned with marketing soybeans and soybean products, as well as to the general economy of the United States, and are necessary to ensure the ready availability and efficient marketing of soybeans and soybean products;

(5) there exist established State and national organizations conducting soybean promotion, research, and consumer education programs that are valuable to the efforts of promoting the consumption of soybeans and soybean products;

(6) the cooperative development, financing, and implementation of a coordinated national program of soybean promotion, research, consumer information, and industry information are necessary to maintain and expand existing markets and develop new markets for soybeans and soybean products; and

(7) soybeans and soybean products move in interstate and foreign commerce, and soybeans and soybean products that do not move in such channels of commerce directly burden or affect interstate commerce in soybeans and soybean products.

**(b) Policy**

Congress declares that it is in the public interest to authorize the establishment, through the exercise of the powers provided in this chapter,

of an orderly procedure for developing, financing through assessments on domestically-produced soybeans, and implementing a program of promotion, research, consumer information, and industry information designed to strengthen the soybean industry's position in the marketplace, to maintain and expand existing domestic and foreign markets and uses for soybeans and soybean products, and to develop new markets and uses for soybeans and soybean products.

**(c) Construction**

Nothing in this chapter may be construed to provide for the control of production or otherwise limit the right of individual producers to produce soybeans.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XIX, §1966, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3881.)

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 101-624, title XIX, §1965, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3881, provided that: "This subtitle [subtitle E (§§1965-1976) of title XIX of Pub. L. 101-624, enacting this chapter] may be cited as the 'Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act'."

**§ 6302. Definitions**

As used in this chapter:

**(1) Board**

The term "Board" means the United Soybean Board established under section 6304(b) of this title.

**(2) Commerce**

The term "commerce" includes interstate, foreign, and intrastate commerce.

**(3) Committee**

The term "Committee" means the Soybean Program Coordinating Committee established under section 6304(g) of this title.

**(4) Consumer information**

The term "consumer information" means information that will assist consumers and other persons in making evaluations and decisions regarding the purchase, preparation, and use of soybeans or soybean products.

**(5) Department**

The term "Department" means the Department of Agriculture.

**(6) First purchaser**

The term "first purchaser" means—

(A) except as provided in subparagraph (B), any person buying or otherwise acquiring from a producer soybeans produced by such producer; or

(B) the Commodity Credit Corporation, in any case in which soybeans are pledged as collateral for a loan issued under any price support loan program administered by the Commodity Credit Corporation.

**(7) Industry information**

The term "industry information" means information and programs that will lead to the development of new markets, new marketing strategies, or increased efficiency for the soybean industry, and activities to enhance the image of the soybean industry.