

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective July 1, 1999, see section 107(j)(4) of Pub. L. 105-336, set out as an Effective Date of 1998 Amendment note under section 1761 of this title.

§§ 1767, 1768. Repealed. Pub. L. 99-500, title III, § 371(a)(1), Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783-368, and Pub. L. 99-591, title III, § 371(a)(1), Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-371; Pub. L. 99-661, div. D, title V, § 4501(a)(1), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 4080

Pub. L. 99-591 is a corrected version of Pub. L. 99-500. Section 1767, act June 4, 1946, ch. 281, § 18, as added Oct. 7, 1975, Pub. L. 94-105, § 19, 89 Stat. 526, authorized nutrition program staff study.

Section 1768, act June 4, 1946, ch. 281, § 19, as added Oct. 7, 1975, Pub. L. 94-105, § 20, 89 Stat. 527, authorized appropriations to assist Trust Territory of Pacific Islands.

§ 1769. Pilot projects

(a) Repealed. Pub. L. 111-296, title IV, § 441(a)(9), Dec. 13, 2010, 124 Stat. 3264

(b) Extension of eligibility of certain school districts to receive cash or commodity letters of credit assistance for school lunch programs

(1) Upon request to the Secretary, any school district that on January 1, 1987, was receiving all cash payments or all commodity letters of credit in lieu of entitlement commodities for its school lunch program shall receive all cash payments or all commodity letters of credit in lieu of entitlement commodities for its school lunch program beginning July 1, 1987. The Secretary, directly or through contract, shall administer the project under this subsection.

(2) Any school district that elects under paragraph (1) to receive all cash payments or all commodity letters of credit in lieu of entitlement commodities for its school lunch program shall receive bonus commodities in the same manner as if such school district was receiving all entitlement commodities for its school lunch program.

(c) Alternative counting and claiming procedures

(1) The Secretary may conduct pilot projects to test alternative counting and claiming procedures.

(2) Each pilot program carried out under this subsection shall be evaluated by the Secretary after it has been in operation for 3 years.

(d) to (f) Repealed. Pub. L. 111-296, title IV, § 441(a)(11)-(13), Dec. 13, 2010, 124 Stat. 3264

(g) Access to local foods: farm to school program

(1) Definition of eligible school

In this subsection, the term “eligible school” means a school or institution that participates in a program under this chapter or the school breakfast program established under section 1773 of this title.

(2) Program

The Secretary shall carry out a program to assist eligible schools, State and local agencies, Indian tribal organizations, agricultural producers or groups of agricultural producers, and nonprofit entities through grants and technical assistance to implement farm to

school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools.

(3) Grants

(A) In general

The Secretary shall award competitive grants under this subsection to be used for—

- (i) training;
- (ii) supporting operations;
- (iii) planning;
- (iv) purchasing equipment;
- (v) developing school gardens;
- (vi) developing partnerships; and
- (vii) implementing farm to school programs.

(B) Regional balance

In making awards under this subsection, the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, ensure—

- (i) geographical diversity; and
- (ii) equitable treatment of urban, rural, and tribal communities.

(C) Maximum amount

The total amount provided to a grant recipient under this subsection shall not exceed \$100,000.

(4) Federal share

(A) In general

The Federal share of costs for a project funded through a grant awarded under this subsection shall not exceed 75 percent of the total cost of the project.

(B) Federal matching

As a condition of receiving a grant under this subsection, a grant recipient shall provide matching support in the form of cash or in-kind contributions, including facilities, equipment, or services provided by State and local governments, nonprofit organizations, and private sources.

(5) Criteria for selection

To the maximum extent practicable, in providing assistance under this subsection, the Secretary shall give the highest priority to funding projects that, as determined by the Secretary—

- (A) make local food products available on the menu of the eligible school;
- (B) serve a high proportion of children who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches;
- (C) incorporate experiential nutrition education activities in curriculum planning that encourage the participation of school children in farm and garden-based agricultural education activities;
- (D) demonstrate collaboration between eligible schools, nongovernmental and community-based organizations, agricultural producer groups, and other community partners;
- (E) include adequate and participatory evaluation plans;
- (F) demonstrate the potential for long-term program sustainability; and
- (G) meet any other criteria that the Secretary determines appropriate.

(6) Evaluation

As a condition of receiving a grant under this subsection, each grant recipient shall