(Pub. L. 107–171, title I, \$1310, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 182.)

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 1310 of Pub. L. 107–171. Subsec. (a) of section 1310 of Pub. L. 107–171 amended sections 1428 and 1441 of this title and repealed 7271 of this title

SUBCHAPTER IV—SUGAR

§ 7971. Storage facility loans

(a) In general

Notwithstanding any other provision of law and as soon as practicable after May 13, 2002, the Commodity Credit Corporation shall amend part 1436 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, to establish a sugar storage facility loan program to provide financing for processors of domestically-produced sugarcane and sugar beets to construct or upgrade storage and handling facilities for raw sugars and refined sugars.

(b) Eligible processors

A storage facility loan described in subsection (a) shall be made available to any processor of domestically produced sugarcane or sugar beets that (as determined by the Secretary)—

- (1) has a satisfactory credit history;
- (2) has a need for increased storage capacity, taking into account the effects of marketing allotments; and
- (3) demonstrates an ability to repay the loan.

(c) Term of loans

A storage facility loan described in subsection (a) shall—

- (1) have a minimum term of 7 years;
- (2) not include any penalty for prepayment; and
- (3) be in such amounts and on such other terms and conditions (including terms and conditions relating to downpayments, collateral, and eligible facilities) as are normal, customary, and appropriate for the size and commercial nature of the borrower.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title I, §1402, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 187; Pub. L. 110–234, title I, §1404, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 989; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title I, §1404, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1718.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (c)(2), (3). Pub. L. 110–246, §1404, added par. (2), redesignated former par. (2) as (3), and, in par. (3), inserted "other" after "on such".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment 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, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER V—DAIRY

§ 7981. Milk price support program

(a) Support activities

During the period beginning on June 1, 2002, and ending on December 31, 2007, the Secretary of Agriculture shall support the price of milk produced in the 48 contiguous States through the purchase of cheese, butter, and nonfat dry milk produced from the milk.

(b) Rate

During the period specified in subsection (a), the price of milk shall be supported at a rate equal to \$9.90 per hundredweight for milk containing 3.67 percent butterfat.

(c) Purchase prices

(1) Uniform prices

The support purchase prices under this section for each of the products of milk (butter, cheese, and nonfat dry milk) announced by the Secretary shall be the same for all of that product sold by persons offering to sell the product to the Secretary.

(2) Sufficient prices

The purchase prices shall be sufficient to enable plants of average efficiency to pay producers, on average, a price that is not less than the rate of price support for milk in effect under subsection (b).

(d) Special rule for butter and nonfat dry milk purchase prices

(1) Allocation of purchase prices

The Secretary may allocate the rate of price support between the purchase prices for nonfat dry milk and butter in a manner that will result in the lowest level of expenditures by the Commodity Credit Corporation or achieve such other objectives as the Secretary considers appropriate. Not later than 10 days after making or changing an allocation, the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate of the allocation. Section 553 of title 5 shall not apply with respect to the implementation of this section.

(2) Timing of purchase price adjustments

The Secretary may make any such adjustments in the purchase prices for nonfat dry milk and butter the Secretary considers to be necessary not more than twice in each calendar year.

(e) Commodity Credit Corporation

The Secretary shall carry out the program authorized by this section through the Commodity Credit Corporation.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title I, §1501, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 205.)

§ 7982. National dairy market loss payments

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Class I milk

The term "Class I milk" means milk (including milk components) classified as Class I milk under a Federal milk marketing order.