

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 109-171, §1101(c)(2), struck out subsec. (h), which related to transition rule.

§ 7983. Study of national dairy policy

(a) Study required

The Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a comprehensive economic evaluation of the potential direct and indirect effects of the various elements of the national dairy policy, including an examination of the effect of the national dairy policy on—

(1) farm price stability, farm profitability and viability, and local rural economies in the United States;

(2) child, senior, and low-income nutrition programs, including impacts on schools and institutions participating in the programs, on program recipients, and other factors; and

(3) the wholesale and retail cost of fluid milk, dairy farms, and milk utilization.

(b) Report

Not later than 1 year after May 13, 2002, 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 describing the results of the study required by this section.

(c) National dairy policy defined

In this section, the term “national dairy policy” means the dairy policy of the United States as evidenced by the following policies and programs:

(1) Federal milk marketing orders issued under section 608c of this title.

(2) Interstate dairy compacts (including proposed compacts described in H.R. 1827 and S. 1157, as introduced in the 107th Congress).

(3) Over-order premiums and State pricing programs.

(4) Direct payments to milk producers.

(5) Federal milk price support program established under section 7981 of this title.¹

(6) Export programs regarding milk and dairy products, such as the dairy export incentive program established under section 713a-14 of title 15.¹

(Pub. L. 107-171, title I, §1507, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 210.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

H.R. 1827, referred to in subsec. (c)(2), which would have granted consent to the Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact, the Southern Dairy Compact, the Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact, and the Intermountain Dairy Compact, was not enacted into law during the 107th Congress.

S. 1157, referred to in subsec. (c)(2), which would have granted consent to the Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact, the Southern Dairy Compact, the Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact, and the Intermountain Dairy Compact, was not enacted into law during the 107th Congress.

Section 7981 of this title, referred to in subsec. (c)(5), was in the original “section 1401”, and was translated as reading “section 1501”, meaning section 1501 of Pub. L. 107-171 to reflect the probable intent of Congress, because section 1501 of Pub. L. 107-171 relates to Federal milk price support program. Section 1401 of Pub. L. 107-171 amended sections 7272 and 7283 of this title.

¹ See References in Text note below.

Section 713a-14 of title 15, referred to in subsec. (c)(6), was repealed by Pub. L. 113-79, title I, §1423(a), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 695.

§ 7984. Studies of effects of changes in approach to national dairy policy and fluid milk identity standards

(a) Federal dairy policy changes

The Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a study of the effects of—

(1) terminating all Federal programs relating to price support and supply management for milk; and

(2) granting the consent of Congress to cooperative efforts by States to manage milk prices and supply.

(b) Fluid milk identity standards

The Secretary shall conduct a study of the effects of including in the standard of identity for fluid milk a required minimum protein content that is commensurate with the average nonfat solids content of bovine milk produced in the United States.

(c) Reports

Not later than 1 year after May 13, 2002, 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 describing the results of the studies required by this section.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title I, §1508, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 211.)

SUBCHAPTER VI—ADMINISTRATION

§ 7991. Administration generally

(a) Use of Commodity Credit Corporation

The Secretary shall use the funds, facilities, and authorities of the Commodity Credit Corporation to carry out this chapter.

(b) Determinations by Secretary

A determination made by the Secretary under this chapter shall be final and conclusive.

(c) Regulations

(1) In general

Not later than 90 days after May 13, 2002, the Secretary and the Commodity Credit Corporation, as appropriate, shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to implement this chapter.

(2) Procedure

The promulgation of the regulations and administration of this chapter shall be made without regard to—

(A) chapter 35 of title 44 (commonly known as the “Paperwork Reduction Act”);

(B) the Statement of Policy of the Secretary of Agriculture effective July 24, 1971 (36 Fed. Reg. 13804), relating to notices of proposed rulemaking and public participation in rulemaking; and

(C) the notice and comment provisions of section 553 of title 5.

(3) Congressional review of agency rulemaking

In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary shall use the authority provided under section 808 of title 5.

¹ So in original. Probably should be “known”.