

ter, a producer on a farm may not receive direct payments, counter-cyclical payments, or average crop revenue election payments if the sum of the base acres of the farm is 10 acres or less, as determined by the Secretary.

**(2) Exceptions**

Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a farm owned by—

(A) a socially disadvantaged farmer or rancher (as defined in section 2003(e) of this title;<sup>1</sup> or

(B) a limited resource farmer or rancher, as defined by the Secretary.

**(3) Suspension of prohibition**

Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not apply during the 2008 crop year.

(Pub. L. 110-234, title I, §1302, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 968; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title I, §1302, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1696; Pub. L. 110-398, §1(a)(2), Oct. 13, 2008, 122 Stat. 4213; Pub. L. 113-188, title I, §101(a), Nov. 26, 2014, 128 Stat. 2017.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of enactment of this Act, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(A), (B), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-246, which was approved June 18, 2008.

The Food Security Act of 1985, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(B), is Pub. L. 99-198, Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1354. Chapter 1 of subtitle D of title XII of the Act is classified generally to part I (§3830 et seq.) of subchapter IV of chapter 58 of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1985 Amendment note set out under section 1281 of this title and Tables.

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (d)(1), was in the original “this title”, meaning title I of Pub. L. 110-246, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title I to the Code, see Tables.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (d)(3). Pub. L. 113-188, §101(a)(1), (3), redesignated par. (4) as (3) and struck out former par. (3) which related to required data collection and publication.

Subsec. (d)(4). Pub. L. 113-188, §101(a)(2), (3), substituted “Paragraphs (1) and (2)” for “Paragraphs (1) through (3)” and redesignated par. (4) as (3).

2008—Subsec. (d)(4). Pub. L. 110-398 added par. (4).

EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment 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 a note under section 8701 of this title.

**§ 8753. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-79, title I, § 1101, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 658**

Section, Pub. L. 110-234, title I, §1303, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 970; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title I, §1303, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1698, related to availability of direct payments for peanuts for 2008 through 2012 crop years.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. There probably should be a closing parenthesis after “title”.

**§ 8754. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-79, title I, § 1102(a), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 658**

Section, Pub. L. 110-234, title I, §1304, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 971; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title I, §1304, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1699, related to availability of counter-cyclical payments for peanuts for 2008 through 2012 crop years.

CONTINUED APPLICATION FOR 2013 CROP YEAR

For continued application of this section, as in effect on the day before Feb. 7, 2014, through the 2013 crop year, see section 1102(b) of Pub. L. 113-79, set out as a note under section 8714 of this title.

**§ 8755. Producer agreement required as condition on provision of payments**

**(a) Compliance with certain requirements**

**(1) Requirements**

Before the producers on a farm may receive direct payments or counter-cyclical payments under this subchapter, or average crop revenue election payments under section 8715<sup>1</sup> of this title, with respect to the farm, the producers shall agree, during the crop year for which the payments are made and in exchange for the payments—

(A) to comply with applicable conservation requirements under subtitle B of title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3811 et seq.);

(B) to comply with applicable wetland protection requirements under subtitle C of title XII of that Act (16 U.S.C. 3821 et seq.);

(C) to comply with the planting flexibility requirements of section 8756 of this title;

(D) to use the land on the farm, in a quantity equal to the attributable base acres for peanuts and any base acres for the farm under subchapter I, for an agricultural or conserving use, and not for a non-agricultural commercial, industrial, or residential use, as determined by the Secretary; and

(E) to effectively control noxious weeds and otherwise maintain the land in accordance with sound agricultural practices, as determined by the Secretary, if the agricultural or conserving use involves the noncultivation of any portion of the land referred to in subparagraph (D).

**(2) Compliance**

The Secretary may issue such rules as the Secretary considers necessary to ensure producer compliance with the requirements of paragraph (1).

**(3) Modification**

At the request of the transferee or owner, the Secretary may modify the requirements of this subsection if the modifications are consistent with the objectives of this subsection, as determined by the Secretary.

**(b) Transfer or change of interest in farm**

**(1) Termination**

**(A) In general**

Except as provided in paragraph (2), a transfer of (or change in) the interest of the

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

producers on a farm in the base acres for peanuts for which direct payments or counter-cyclical payments are made, or on which average crop revenue election payments are based, shall result in the termination of the direct payments, counter-cyclical payments, or average crop revenue election payments to the extent the payments are made or based on the base acres, unless the transferee or owner of the acreage agrees to assume all obligations under subsection (a).

**(B) Effective date**

The termination shall take effect on the date determined by the Secretary.

**(2) Exception**

If a producer entitled to a direct payment, counter-cyclical payment, or average crop revenue election payment dies, becomes incompetent, or is otherwise unable to receive the payment, the Secretary shall make the payment, in accordance with rules issued by the Secretary.

**(c) Acreage reports**

**(1) In general**

As a condition on the receipt of any benefits under this subchapter, the Secretary shall require producers on a farm to submit to the Secretary annual acreage reports with respect to all cropland on the farm.

**(2) Penalties**

No penalty with respect to benefits under this subchapter shall be assessed against the producers on a farm for an inaccurate acreage report unless the producers on the farm knowingly and willfully falsified the acreage report.

**(d) Tenants and sharecroppers**

In carrying out this subchapter, the Secretary shall provide adequate safeguards to protect the interests of tenants and sharecroppers.

**(e) Sharing of payments**

The Secretary shall provide for the sharing of direct payments, counter-cyclical payments, or average crop revenue election payments under section 8715<sup>1</sup> of this title among the producers on a farm on a fair and equitable basis.

**(f) Extension of 2008 signup**

**(1) In general**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall extend the 2008 crop year deadline for the signup for benefits under this subchapter by producers on a farm with base acres of 10 acres or less until the later of—

(A) November 14, 2008; or

(B) the end of the 45-day period beginning on October 13, 2008.

**(2) Penalties**

The Secretary shall ensure that no penalty with respect to benefits under this subchapter is assessed against producers on a farm described in paragraph (1) for failure to submit reports under this section or timely comply with other program requirements as a result of compliance with the extended signup deadline under that paragraph.

(Pub. L. 110-234, title I, §1305, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 972; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title I, §1305, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1701; Pub. L. 110-398, §1(b)(2), Oct. 13, 2008, 122 Stat. 4213.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 8715 of this title, referred to in subsecs. (a)(1) and (e), was repealed by Pub. L. 113-79, title I, §1103(a), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 658.

The Food Security Act of 1985, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(A), (B), is Pub. L. 99-198, Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1354. Subtitles B and C of title XII of the Act are classified generally to subchapters II (§3811 et seq.) and III (§3821 et seq.), respectively, of chapter 58 of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1985 Amendment note set out under section 1281 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 110-398 added subsec. (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment 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 a note under section 8701 of this title.

**§ 8756. Planting flexibility**

**(a) Permitted crops**

Subject to subsection (b), any commodity or crop may be planted on the base acres for peanuts on a farm.

**(b) Limitations regarding certain commodities**

**(1) General limitation**

The planting of an agricultural commodity specified in paragraph (3) shall be prohibited on base acres for peanuts unless the commodity, if planted, is destroyed before harvest.

**(2) Treatment of trees and other perennials**

The planting of an agricultural commodity specified in paragraph (3) that is produced on a tree or other perennial plant shall be prohibited on base acres for peanuts.

**(3) Covered agricultural commodities**

Paragraphs (1) and (2) apply to the following agricultural commodities:

(A) Fruits.

(B) Vegetables (other than mung beans and pulse crops).

(C) Wild rice.

**(c) Exceptions**

Paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b) shall not limit the planting of an agricultural commodity specified in paragraph (3) of that subsection—

(1) in any region in which there is a history of double-cropping of peanuts with agricultural commodities specified in subsection (b)(3), as determined by the Secretary, in which case the double-cropping shall be permitted;

(2) on a farm that the Secretary determines has a history of planting agricultural commodities specified in subsection (b)(3) on the