

(§§ 1831–1843) of title XVIII of Pub. L. 101–624, enacting section 2076a of Title 12, amending section 3132 of Title 5 and sections 2019, 2075, 2077, 2218, 2252, 2254, 2277a–5, 2277a–9, 2277a–10, 2277a–14, 2278a–6, 2279aa, and 2279aa–11 of Title 12, and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 2001 of Title 12] and the amendments made by such subtitle.”

SUSPENSION OF COLLECTION ACTIVITIES DURING  
TRANSITION PERIOD

Pub. L. 100–233, title VI, § 615(d), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1682, provided that: “The Secretary of Agriculture shall not initiate any acceleration, foreclosure, or liquidation in connection with any delinquent farmer program loan before the date the Secretary has issued final regulations to carry out the amendments made by this section [enacting section 2001 of this title and amending sections 1927a and 1981 of this title]. The preceding sentence shall not prohibit the Secretary from taking any action with respect to waste, fraud, or abuse by the borrower.”

**§ 2001a. Debt restructuring and loan servicing for community facility loans**

The Secretary shall establish and implement a program that is similar to the program established under section 2001 of this title, except that the debt restructuring and loan servicing procedures shall apply to delinquent community facility program loans (rather than delinquent farmer program loans) made by the Farmers Home Administration to a hospital or health care facility under section 1926(a) of this title.

(Pub. L. 87–128, title III, § 353A, as added Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, § 2384(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4050.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, § 2384(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4050, provided that: “Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act [Nov. 28, 1990], the Secretary shall promulgate regulations, modeled after those promulgated under such section 353 [7 U.S.C. 2001], that implement the program established under section 353A of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act [7 U.S.C. 2001a].”

**§ 2002. Transfer of inventory lands**

**(a) In general**

Subject to subsection (b), the Secretary may transfer to any Federal or State agency, for conservation purposes any real property, or interest therein, administered by the Secretary under this Act—

- (1) with respect to which the rights of all prior owners and operators have expired;
- (2) that is eligible to be disposed of in accordance with section 1985 of this title; and
- (3) that—
  - (A) has marginal value for agricultural production;
  - (B) is environmentally sensitive; or
  - (C) has special management importance.

**(b) Conditions**

The Secretary may not transfer any property or interest in property under subsection (a) unless—

- (1) at least 2 public notices are given of the transfer;
- (2) if requested, at least 1 public meeting is held prior to the transfer; and

(3) the Governor and at least 1 elected county official of the State and county where the property is located are consulted prior to the transfer.

(Pub. L. 87–128, title III, § 354, as added Pub. L. 100–233, title VI, § 616, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1682; amended Pub. L. 104–127, title VI, § 646, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1103.)

**Editorial Notes**

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsec. (a), refers to the Agricultural Act of 1961, Pub. L. 87–128, Aug. 8, 1961, 75 Stat. 294, as amended. For classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1911 of this title and Tables. However, the reference was probably intended to be “this title” meaning the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, title III of Pub. L. 87–128, as amended, which is classified principally to this chapter. For classification of this title to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1921 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104–127 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, substituted “Subject to subsection (b), the Secretary” for “The Secretary, without reimbursement,” in introductory provisions, added par. (2) and struck out former par. (2) which read as follows: “that is determined by the Secretary to be suitable or surplus; and”, and added subsec. (b).

**§ 2003. Target participation rates**

**(a) Establishment**

**(1) In general**

The Secretary shall establish annual target participation rates, on a county wide basis, that shall ensure that members of socially disadvantaged groups will receive loans made or insured under subchapter I and will have the opportunity to purchase or lease inventory farmland.

**(2) Group population**

Except as provided in paragraph (3), in establishing such target rates the Secretary shall take into consideration the portion of the population of the county made up of such groups, and the availability of inventory farmland in such county.

**(3) Gender**

With respect to gender, target participation rates shall take into consideration the number of current and potential socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers in a State in proportion to the total number of farmers and ranchers in the State.

**(b) Reservation and allocation**

**(1) Reservation**

The Secretary shall, to the greatest extent practicable, reserve sufficient loan funds made available under subchapter I, for use by members of socially disadvantaged groups identified under target participation rates established under subsection (a).

**(2) Allocation**

The Secretary shall allocate such loans on the basis of the proportion of members of socially disadvantaged groups in a county and