

(4) Increase the value of United States high-value and value-added agricultural exports each year at a faster rate than the rate of increase in the value of overall world export trade in high-value and value-added agricultural products.

(5) Ensure that to the extent practicable—

(A) all obligations undertaken in the Uruguay Round Agreement on Agriculture that significantly increase access for United States agricultural commodities are implemented to the extent required by the Uruguay Round Agreements; or

(B) applicable United States laws are used to secure United States rights under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Agriculture.

(d) Priority markets

(1) Identification of markets

In developing the strategy required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall annually identify as priority markets—

(A) those markets in which imports of agricultural products show the greatest potential for increase; and

(B) those markets in which, with the assistance of Federal export promotion programs, exports of United States agricultural products show the greatest potential for increase.

(2) Identification of supporting offices

The President shall identify annually in the budget of the United States Government submitted under section 1105 of title 31 each overseas office of the Foreign Agricultural Service that provides assistance to United States exporters in each of the priority markets identified under paragraph (1).

(Pub. L. 95-501, title I, §103, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1531, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3670; amended Pub. L. 102-237, title III, §308, Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1856; Pub. L. 104-127, title II, §241(a), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 963.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-127 amended section generally, substituting present provisions for provisions requiring development of long-term agricultural trade strategy and providing for goals and contents of strategy, establishment of priority markets, review of strategy, confidentiality, withholding of information from Congress, and termination of section on Dec. 31, 1995.

1991—Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 102-237 inserted a closing parenthesis before period at end.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR PROMOTION OF TOBACCO OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Pub. L. 108-199, div. A, title VII, §770, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 40, provided that: “Hereafter, no funds provided in this or any other Act shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture acting through the Foreign Agricultural Service to promote the sale or export of tobacco or tobacco products.”

USE OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS FOR PROMOTION OF WOOD AND PROCESSED WOOD PRODUCTS

Pub. L. 100-418, title IV, §4404, Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1402, provided that: “The Secretary of Agriculture shall

actively use Department of Agriculture concessional programs and export credit guarantee programs to promote the export of wood and processed wood products.”

§ 5603a. Global market strategy

(a) In general

Not later than 180 days after May 13, 2002, and biennially thereafter, the Secretary of Agriculture shall consult with the Committee on Agriculture, and the Committee on International Relations, of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate on the formulation and implementation of a global market strategy for the Department of Agriculture that, to the maximum extent practicable—

(1) identifies opportunities for the growth of agricultural exports to overseas markets;

(2) ensures that the resources, programs, and policies of the Department are coordinated with those of other agencies; and

(3) remove¹ barriers to agricultural trade in overseas markets.

(b) Review

The consultations under subsection (a) shall include a review of—

(1) the strategic goals of the Department; and

(2) the progress of the Department in implementing the strategic goals through the global market strategy.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title III, §3206, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 301.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, and not as part of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 which comprises this chapter.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on International Relations of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Foreign Affairs of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

§ 5604. Preservation of traditional markets

The Secretary shall, in implementing programs of the Department of Agriculture intended to encourage or assist exports of agricultural commodities, seek to preserve traditional markets for United States agricultural commodities.

(Pub. L. 95-501, title I, §104, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1531, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3672.)

§ 5605. Independence of authorities

Each authority granted under this chapter shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any authority granted to the Secretary or the Commodity Credit Corporation under any other provision of law.

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

(Pub. L. 95-501, title I, §105, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1531, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3672.)

§ 5606. Implementation of commitments under Uruguay Round Agreements

Not later than September 30 of each year, the Secretary shall evaluate whether the obligations undertaken by foreign countries under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Agriculture are being fully implemented. If the Secretary has reason to believe (based on the evaluation) that any foreign country, by not implementing the obligations of the country, may be significantly constraining an opportunity for United States agricultural exports, the Secretary shall—

(1) submit the evaluation to the United States Trade Representative; and

(2) transmit a copy of the evaluation to the Committee on Agriculture, and the Committee on Ways and Means, of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, and the Committee on Finance, of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 95-501, title I, §106, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title II, §242(a), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 964.)

§ 5607. Exporter assistance initiative

To provide a comprehensive source of information to facilitate exports of United States agricultural commodities, the Secretary shall maintain on a website on the Internet information to assist exporters and potential exporters of United States agricultural commodities.

(Pub. L. 95-501, title I, §107, as added Pub. L. 107-171, title III, §3101, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 288.)

§ 5608. Foreign trade missions

(a) Tribal representation on trade missions

(1) In general

The Secretary, in consultation with the Tribal Advisory Committee established under subsection (b)(2) of section 6921 of this title (referred to in this section as the “Advisory Committee”), shall seek—

(A) to support the greater inclusion of Tribal agricultural and food products in Federal trade-related activities; and

(B) to increase the collaboration between Federal trade promotion efforts and other Federal trade-related activities in support of the greater inclusion sought under subparagraph (A).

(2) Interdepartmental coordination

In carrying out activities to increase the collaboration described in paragraph (1)(B), the Secretary shall coordinate with—

(A) the Secretary of Commerce;

(B) the Secretary of State;

(C) the Secretary of the Interior; and

(D) the heads of any other relevant Federal agencies.

(b) Report; goals

(1) Report

Not later than 2 years after December 20, 2018, the Secretary shall submit a report de-

scribing the efforts of the Department of Agriculture and other Federal agencies under this section to—

(A) the Advisory Committee;

(B) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives;

(C) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives;

(D) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate;

(E) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

(F) the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate.

(2) Goals

Not later than 90 days after December 20, 2018, the Secretary shall establish goals for measuring, in an objective and quantifiable format, the extent to which Indian Tribes and Tribal agricultural and food products are included in the trade-related activities of the Department of Agriculture.

(Pub. L. 115-334, title III, §3312, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4623.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, and not as part of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 which comprises this chapter.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEFINITION OF “SECRETARY”

“Secretary” as meaning the Secretary of Agriculture, see section 2 of Pub. L. 115-334, set out as a note under section 9001 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER II—AGRICULTURAL EXPORT PROGRAMS

PART A—PROGRAMS

§ 5621. Direct credit sales program

(a) Short-term program

To promote the sale of agricultural commodities, the Commodity Credit Corporation may finance the commercial export sale of such commodities from privately owned stocks on credit terms for not to exceed a 3-year period.

(b) Intermediate-term program

Subject to subsection (c), to promote the sale of agricultural commodities the Commodity Credit Corporation may finance the commercial export sales of agricultural commodities from privately owned stocks on credit terms for a period of not less than 3 years nor in excess of 10 years in a manner that will directly benefit United States agricultural producers.

(c) Determinations

The Commodity Credit Corporation shall not finance an export sale under subsection (b) unless the Secretary determines that such sale will—

(1) develop, expand, or maintain the importing country as a foreign market, on a long-term basis, for the commercial sale and export of United States agricultural commodities, without displacing normal commercial sales;