

(C) Agriculture and veterans committees

The agriculture and veterans committees referred to in subparagraph (B)(i) are—

- (i) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives;
- (ii) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate;
- (iii) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives; and
- (iv) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate.

(e) Consultation required

In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall consult with organizations that serve veterans.

(f) Report**(1) In general**

Not later than 1 year after December 20, 2018, and annually thereafter, the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison shall submit a report on beginning farmer training for veterans and agricultural vocational and rehabilitation programs for veterans to—

- (A) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives;
- (B) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives;
- (C) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate; and
- (D) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate.

(2) Contents of report

The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include—

- (A) a summary of the measures taken to carry out subsections (b) and (c);
- (B) a description of the information provided to veterans under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b);
- (C) recommendations for best informing veterans of the programs described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b);
- (D) a summary of the contracts or cooperative agreements entered into under subsection (c);
- (E) a description of the programs implemented under subsection (c);
- (F) a summary of the employment outreach activities directed to veterans;
- (G) recommendations for how opportunities for veterans in agriculture should be developed or expanded;
- (H) a summary of veteran farm lending data and a summary of shortfalls, if any, identified by the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison in collecting data with respect to veterans engaged in agriculture; and
- (I) recommendations, if any, on how to improve activities under subsection (b).

(g) Public dissemination of information**(1) In general**

Not later than 1 year after December 20, 2018, and annually thereafter, the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison shall make publicly available and share broadly, including by posting on the website of the Department—

- (A) the report of the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison on beginning farmer

training for veterans and agricultural vocational and rehabilitation programs; and

- (B) the information disseminated under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b).

(2) Further dissemination

Not later than the day before the date on which the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison makes publicly available the information under paragraph (1), the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison shall provide that information to the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Small Business Administration, and the Department of Labor.

(Pub. L. 103-354, title II, §219, as added Pub. L. 113-79, title XII, §12304, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 985; amended Pub. L. 115-334, title XII, §12402, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4971.)

Editorial Notes**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 6919, Pub. L. 103-354, title II, §219, Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3213, provided that compensation of any officer or employee of the Department on Oct. 13, 1994, was not to be increased as a result of enactment of this chapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(e) [title III, §362], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-231, 2681-305.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (b)(5), (6). Pub. L. 115-334, §12402(1), added pars. (5) and (6).

Subsecs. (d) to (g). Pub. L. 115-334, §12402(2), added subsecs. (d) to (g).

§ 6920. Office of Energy Policy and New Uses

The Secretary shall establish for the Department, in the Office of the Secretary, an Office of Energy Policy and New Uses.

(Pub. L. 103-354, title II, §220, as added Pub. L. 105-185, title VI, §602, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 585.)

§ 6921. Office of Tribal Relations**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall maintain in the Office of the Secretary an Office of Tribal Relations, which shall advise the Secretary on policies related to Indian tribes and carry out such other functions as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(b) Tribal Advisory Committee**(1) Definitions**

In this subsection:

(A) Indian tribe

The term “Indian tribe” has the meaning given the term in section 5304 of title 25.

(B) Relevant committees of Congress

The term “relevant committees of Congress” means—

- (i) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives;
- (ii) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate; and
- (iii) the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate.

(C) Tribal organization

The term “tribal organization” has the meaning given the term in section 5304 of title 25.