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SUBCHAPTER I—RURAL COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION

§§ 2651 to 2654. Repealed. Pub. L. 95–313, § 16(a)(6), formerly § 13(a)(6), July 1, 1978, 92 Stat. 374; renumbered § 16(a)(6), Pub. L. 101–624, title XII, § 1215(1), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3525

Section 2651, Pub. L. 92–419, title IV, § 401, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 670; Pub. L. 91–524, title VIII, § 816(a), as added Pub. L. 93–86, § 1(27)(B), Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 240, related to purpose and findings for provisions relating to rural community fire protection assistance.

Section 2652, Pub. L. 92–419, title IV, § 402, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 670; Pub. L. 95–113, title XV, § 1504, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1021, related to terms and conditions, funding requirements, etc., for cooperative agreements with State officials.

Section 2653, Pub. L. 92–419, title IV, § 403, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 671, related to reporting requirements for Secretary of Agriculture.

Section 2654, Pub. L. 92–419, title IV, § 404, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 671; Pub. L. 91–524, title VIII, § 816(b), as added Pub. L. 93–86, § 1(27)(B), Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 240; amended Pub. L. 95–113, title XV, § 1505, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1021, related to authorization of appropriations for assistance.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Oct. 1, 1978, see section 17 of Pub. L. 95–313, set out as an Effective Date note under section 2101 of Title 16, Conservation.

§ 2655. Rural firefighters and emergency medical service assistance program

(a) Definition of emergency medical services

In this section:

(1) In general

The term ''emergency medical services'' means resources used by a public or nonprofit entity to deliver medical care outside of a medical facility under emergency conditions that occur as a result of—

(A) the condition of a patient; or

(B) a natural disaster or related condition.

(2) Inclusion

The term ''emergency medical services'' includes services (whether compensated or volunteer) delivered by an emergency medical services provider or other provider recognized by the State involved that is licensed or certified by the State as—

(A) an emergency medical technician or the equivalent (as determined by the State);

(B) a registered nurse;

(C) a physician assistant; or

(D) a physician that provides services similar to services provided by such an emergency medical services provider.

(b) Grants

The Secretary shall award grants to eligible entities—

(1) to enable the entities to provide for improved emergency medical services in rural areas; and

(2) to pay the cost of training firefighters and emergency medical personnel in firefighting, emergency medical practices, and responding to hazardous materials and bioagents in rural areas.

(c) Eligibility

To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, an entity shall—

(1) be—

(A) a State emergency medical services office;

(B) a State emergency medical services association;

(C) a State office of rural health or an equivalent agency;

(D) a local government entity;

(E) an Indian tribe (as defined in section 450b of title 25);

(F) a State or local ambulance provider; or

(G) any other public or nonprofit entity determined appropriate by the Secretary; and

(2) prepare and submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, that includes—

(A) a description of the activities to be carried out under the grant; and

(B) an assurance that the applicant will comply with the matching requirement of subsection (f).

(d) Use of funds

An entity shall use amounts received under a grant made under subsection (b) only in a rural area—

(1) to hire or recruit emergency medical service personnel;

(2) to recruit or retain volunteer emergency medical service personnel;

(3) to train emergency medical service personnel in emergency response, injury prevention, safety awareness, or other topics relevant to the delivery of emergency medical services;

(4) to fund training to meet State or Federal certification requirements;

(5) to provide training for firefighters or emergency medical personnel for improvements to the training facility, equipment, curricula, or personnel;

(6) to develop new ways to educate emergency health care providers through the use of

technology-enhanced educational methods (such as distance learning);

(7) to acquire emergency medical services vehicles, including ambulances;

(8) to acquire emergency medical services equipment, including cardiac defibrillators;

(9) to acquire personal protective equipment for emergency medical services personnel as required by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration; or

(10) to educate the public concerning cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), first aid, injury prevention, safety awareness, illness prevention, or other related emergency preparedness topics.

(e) Preference

In awarding grants under this section, the Secretary shall give preference to—

(1) applications that reflect a collaborative effort by 2 or more of the entities described in subparagraphs (A) through (G) of subsection (c)(1); and

(2) applications submitted by entities that intend to use amounts provided under the grant to fund activities described in any of paragraphs (1) through (5) of subsection (d).

(f) Matching requirement

The Secretary may not make a grant under this section to an entity unless the entity makes available (directly or through contributions from other public or private entities) non-Federal contributions toward the activities to be carried out under the grant in an amount equal to at least 5 percent of the amount received under the grant.

(g) Authorization of appropriations

(1) In general

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section not more than $30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(2) Administrative costs

Not more than 5 percent of the amount appropriated under paragraph (1) for a fiscal year may be used for administrative expenses incurred in carrying out this section.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title VI, § 6405, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 430; Pub. L. 109–171, title I, § 1405(a), Feb. 8, 2006, 120 Stat. 7; Pub. L. 110–234, title VI, § 6204, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1208; Pub. L. 110–246, § 4(a), title VI, § 6204, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1969.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110–234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Pub. L. 110–246, § 6204, amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section consisted of subsecs. (a) to (c) relating to authority to make grants to pay the cost of training firefighters and emergency medical personnel in rural areas, use of funds, and appropriations for fiscal years 2003 through 2006.

2006—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109–171 substituted ''2006'' for ''2007''.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment 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 an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER II—RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL FARM RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

§ 2661. Statement of purposes and goals

(a) The overall purpose of this subchapter is to foster a balanced national development that provides opportunities for increased numbers of the people of the United States to work and enjoy a high quality of life dispersed throughout our Nation by providing the essential knowledge necessary for successful programs of rural development. It is further the purpose of this subchapter to—

(1) provide multistate regional agencies, States, counties, cities, multicounty planning and development districts, businesses, industries, Indian tribes on Federal and State reservations or other federally recognized Indian tribal groups and others involved with public services and investments in rural areas or that provide or may provide employment in these areas the best available scientific, technical, economic, organizational, environmental, and management information and knowledge useful to them, and to assist and encourage them in the interpretation and application of this information to practical problems and needs in rural development;

(2) provide research and investigations in all fields that have as their purpose the development of useful knowledge and information to assist those planning, carrying out, managing, or investing in facilities, services, businesses, or other enterprises, public and private, that may contribute to rural development;

(3) increase the capabilities of, and encourage, colleges and universities to perform the vital public service roles of research, and the transfer and practical application of knowledge, in support of rural development;

(4) expand small farm research and extend training and technical assistance to small farm families in assessing their needs and opportunities and in using the best available knowledge on sound economic approaches to small farm operations and on existing services offered by the Department of Agriculture and other public and private agencies and organizations to improve their income and to gain access to essential facilities and services; and

(5) support activities to supplement and extend programs that address special research and education needs in States experiencing rapid social and economic adjustments or unique problems caused by rural isolation and that address national and regional rural development policies, strategies, issues, and programs.

(b) the[1] goals of this subchapter are to—

(1) encourage and support rural United States, in order to help make it a better place to live, work, and enjoy life;

(2) increase income and improve employment for persons in rural areas, including the

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owners or operators of small farms, small businesses, and rural youth;

(3) improve the quality and availability of essential community services and facilities in rural areas;

(4) improve the quantity and quality of rural housing;

(5) improve the rural management of natural resources so that the growth and development of rural communities needed to support the family farm may be accommodated with minimum effect on the natural environment and the agricultural land base;

(6) improve the data base for rural development decisionmaking at local, State, and national levels; and

(7) improve the problem solving and development capacities and effectiveness of rural governments, officials, institutions, communities, community leaders, and citizen groups in—

(A) improving access to Federal programs;

(B) improving targeting and delivery of technical assistance;

(C) improving coordination among Federal agencies, other levels of government, and institutions and private organizations in rural areas; and

(D) developing and disseminating better information about rural conditions.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 501, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1322.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2661, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 501, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 671, stated Congressional statement of purposes, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

SHORT TITLE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, § 2390(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4055, provided that: ''This section [amending sections 2662 and 2663 of this title] may be cited as the 'Rural Health and Safety Education Act of 1990'.''

SHORT TITLE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 100–219, § 1, Dec. 29, 1987, 101 Stat. 1456, provided that: ''This Act [amending section 2662 of this title] may be cited as the 'Rural Crisis Recovery Program Act of 1987'.''

NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Pub. L. 103–318, Aug. 26, 1994, 108 Stat. 1781, as amended by Pub. L. 104–327, § 2, Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 4003, established Northern Great Plains Rural Development Commission to study and make recommendations regarding economic needs and economic development of rural Northern Great Plains by seeking and encouraging participation of interested citizens, public officials, groups, agencies, businesses, and other entities in developing 10-year rural economic development plan for Northern Great Plains, defined terms, provided for membership and organization of Commission, duties and powers of Commission, compensation of members, administrative provisions, interim and final reports to Congress, appropriations, and for termination of Commission on Sept. 30, 1997.

§ 2662. Programs authorized

The Secretary of Agriculture may conduct, in cooperation and coordination with colleges and universities, the following programs to carry out the purposes and achieve the goals of this subchapter.

(a) Rural development extension programs

Rural development extension programs shall consist of the collection, interpretation, and dissemination of useful information and knowledge from research and other sources to units of multistate regional agencies, State, county, municipal, and other units of government, multicounty planning and development districts, organizations of citizens contributing to community and rural development, businesses, Indian tribes on Federal or State reservations or other federally recognized Indian tribal groups, and industries that employ or may employ people in rural areas. The rural development extension programs shall also promote coordinated and integrated rural community initiatives that advance and empower capacity building through leadership development, entrepreneurship, business development and management training, and strategic planning to increase jobs, income, and quality of life in rural communities. These programs also shall include technical services and educational activities, including instruction for persons not enrolled as students in colleges or universities, to facilitate and encourage the use and practical application of this information. These programs may also include feasibility studies and planning assistance.

(b) Rural development research

Rural development research shall consist of research, investigations, and basic feasibility studies in any field or discipline that may develop principles, facts, scientific and technical knowledge, new technology, and other information that may be useful to agencies of Federal, State, and local government, industries in rural areas, Indian tribes on Federal and State reservations or other federally recognized Indian tribal groups, and other organizations involved in community and rural development programs and activities in planning and carrying out such programs and activities or otherwise be practical and useful in achieving the purposes and goals of this subchapter.

(c) Small farm research programs

Small farm research programs shall consist of programs of research to develop new approaches for initiating and upgrading small farm operations through management techniques, agricultural production techniques, farm machinery technology, new products, new marketing techniques, and small farm finance; to develop new enterprises that can use labor, skills, or natural resources available to the small farm family; or that will help to increase the quality and availability of services and facilities needed by the small farm family.

(d) Small farm extension programs

Small farm extension programs shall consist of extension programs to improve small farm operations, including management techniques, agricultural production techniques, farm machinery technology, marketing techniques and small farm finance; to increase use by small farm families of existing services offered by the Depart-

ment of Agriculture and other public and private agencies and organizations; to assist small farm families in establishing and operating cooperatives for the purpose of improving their family income from farming or other economic activities; to increase the quality and availability of services and facilities needed by small farm families; and to develop new enterprises that can use labor, skills, or natural resources available to the small farm family.

(e) Special grants programs

Special grants programs shall consist of extension and research programs to strengthen research and education on national and regional issues in rural development, including the assessment of alternative policies and strategies for rural development and balanced growth; to develop alternative strategies for national and regional investment, and the creation of employment, in rural areas; to develop alternative energy policies to meet rural development needs; and to strengthen rural development programs of agencies of the Department of Agriculture and those in other Federal departments and agencies.

(f), (g) Repealed. Pub. L. 104–127, title VII, § 792(a), title VIII, § 871, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1152, 1175

(h) Rural development extension work

(1) National program

The Secretary of Agriculture shall establish a national program, to be administered by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, to provide rural citizens with training in, technical and management assistance regarding, and educational opportunities to enhance their knowledge of—

(A) beginning businesses through entrepreneurship;

(B) the procedures necessary to establish new businesses in rural areas;

(C) self-employment opportunities in rural areas;

(D) the uses of modern telecommunications and computer technologies;

(E) business and financial planning; and

(F) such other training, assistance, and educational opportunities as the Secretary determines are necessary to carry out the program established under this subsection.

(2) Leadership abilities

The program established under this subsection shall provide assistance designed to increase the leadership abilities of residents in rural areas. Such assistance shall include—

(A) information relevant to the development of community goals;

(B) instruction regarding the methods by which State or Federal funding for rural development projects might be obtained;

(C) instruction regarding the successful writing of applications for loan or grant funds from government and private sources;

(D) an updated listing of State, Federal, and other economic development programs available to rural areas; and

(E) such other training, information, and assistance as the Secretary determines necessary to increase the leadership abilities of residents in rural areas.

(3) Catalog of programs

The National Rural Information Center Clearinghouse of the National Agricultural Library, in cooperation with the Extension Service in each State, should develop, maintain, and provide to each community, and make accessible to any other interested party, a catalog of available State, Federal, or private programs that provide leadership training or other information or services similar or complementary to the training or services required by this subsection. Such catalog should include, at a minimum, the following entities within the State that provide such training or services:

(A) Any rural electric cooperative.

(B) Any nonprofit company development corporation.

(C) Any economic development district that serves a rural community.

(D) Any nonprofit subsidiary of any private entity.

(E) Any nonprofit organization whose principal purpose is to promote economic development in rural areas.

(F) Any investor or publicly owned electric utility.

(G) Any small business development center or small business investment company.

(H) Any regional development organization.

(I) Any vocational or technical school.

(J) Any Federal, State, or local government agency or department.

(K) Any other entity that the Secretary deems appropriate.

The extension service in each State should include in the catalog information on the specific training or services provided by each entity in the catalog.

(4) Employee training

The Secretary shall provide training for appropriate State extension service employees, assigned to programs other than rural development, to ensure that such employees understand the availability of rural development programs in their respective States and the availability of National Institute of Food and Agriculture staff qualified to provide to rural citizens and to State extension staff training and materials for technical, management, and educational assistance.

(5) Coordination of assistance

The Secretary shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that assistance provided under this subsection is coordinated with and delivered in cooperation with similar services or assistance provided by other Federal agencies or programs for rural residents.

(i) Rural health and safety education programs

(1) Programs authorized

(A) Individual and family health education

The Secretary may make grants for the establishment of individual and family health education programs that shall provide individuals and families with—

(i) information concerning the value of good health;

(ii) information to increase the individual or families motivation to take more responsibility for their own health;

(iii) access to health promotion activities; and

(iv) training for volunteers and health services providers concerning health promotion and health care services, in cooperation with the Department of Health and Human Services.

(B) Farm safety education

The Secretary may make grants for the establishment of farm safety education programs that shall provide information and training to farm workers, timber harvesters, and farm families concerning safety in the work place, including information and training concerning—

(i) the reduction of occupational injury and death rates;

(ii) the reduction and prevention of exposure to farm chemicals;

(iii) the reduction of agricultural respiratory diseases and dermititis;[1]

(iv) the reduction and prevention of noise induced hearing loss;

(v) the occupational rehabilitation of farmers and timber harvesters with physical disabilities; and

(vi) farm accident rescue procedures.

(C) Rural health leadership development

The Secretary, in consultation with the Office of Rural Health Policy of the Department of Health and Human Services, may make grants to academic medical centers or land grant colleges and universities, or any combination thereof, for the establishment of rural health leadership development education programs that shall assist rural communities in developing health care services and facilities that will provide the maximum benefit for the resources invested and assist community leaders and public officials in understanding their roles and responsibilities relative to rural health services and facilities, including—

(i) community decisions regarding funding for and retention of rural hospitals;

(ii) rural physician and allied health professionals recruitment and retention;

(iii) the aging rural population and senior services required to care for the population;

(iv) the establishment and maintenance of rural emergency medical services systems; and

(v) the application of computer-assisted capital budgeting decision aids for rural health services and facilities.

(2) Coordination of programs

Educational programs conducted with grants awarded under this subsection shall be coordinated with the State offices of rural health and other appropriate programs of the Department of Health and Human Services.

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(3) Dissemination of information

Educational programs conducted with grants awarded under this subsection shall provide leadership within the State for the dissemination of appropriate rural health and safety information resources possessed by the Rural Information Center established at the National Agricultural Library.

(4) Procedures and limitations

The Secretary shall establish policies, procedures and limitations that shall apply to States or entities described in paragraph (1)(C) that desire to receive a grant under this subsection. In States with land-grant colleges and universities that are eligible to receive funds under the Act of July 2, 1862 (7 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), and the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321 et seq.), including Tuskegee University, and universities which receive Rural Health Research Center grants, such eligible institutions shall mutually determine the type of rural health and safety education program needed in the State within which such institutions reside.

(5) Limitations on authorization of appropriations

For grants under this subsection, there are authorized to be appropriated $5,000,000 for fiscal year 1991, $10,000,000 for fiscal year 1992, $15,000,000 for fiscal year 1993, and $20,000,000 for fiscal year 1994 and each subsequent fiscal year. Amounts appropriated under this subsection shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 502, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1323; amended Pub. L. 99–198, title XIV, § 1440(a), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1560; Pub. L. 100–219, § 2, Dec. 29, 1987, 101 Stat. 1456; Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, §§ 2346, 2349, 2389(a)–(c)(1), 2390(b)(1), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4032, 4037, 4053–4055; Pub. L. 102–237, title IV, § 403(a), title VII, § 704, Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1863, 1881; Pub. L. 104–127, title VII, § 792(a), title VIII, §§ 871, 886, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1152, 1175, 1180; Pub. L. 110–234, title VII, § 7511(c)(6), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1267; Pub. L. 110–246, § 4(a), title VII, § 7511(c)(6), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2029.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of July 2, 1862, referred to in subsec. (i)(4), is act July 2, 1862, ch. 130, 12 Stat. 503, popularly known as the ''Morrill Act'' and also as the ''First Morrill Act'', which is classified generally to subchapter I (§ 301 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 301 of this title and Tables.

Act of August 30, 1890, referred to in subsec. (i)(4), is act Aug. 30, 1890, ch. 841, 26 Stat. 417, as amended, popularly known as the ''Agricultural College Act of 1890'' and also as the ''Second Morrill Act'', which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 321 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 321 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110–234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2662, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 502, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 671; Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1440, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1005, related to programs authorization and cooperation and coordination with colleges and universities, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (h)(1). Pub. L. 110–246, § 7511(c)(6)(A), substituted ''National Institute of Food and Agriculture'' for ''Extension Service'' in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (h)(4). Pub. L. 110–246, § 7511(c)(6)(B), substituted ''National Institute of Food and Agriculture staff'' for ''Extension Service staff''.

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104–127, § 886, inserted after first sentence ''The rural development extension programs shall also promote coordinated and integrated rural community initiatives that advance and empower capacity building through leadership development, entrepreneurship, business development and management training, and strategic planning to increase jobs, income, and quality of life in rural communities.''

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 104–127, § 792(a), struck out subsec. (f), which related to competitive grants for financially stressed farmers, dislocated farmers, and rural families.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 104–127, § 871, struck out subsec. (g), which authorized establishment of Extension Service rural economic and business development program to enable States or counties to employ specialists as Cooperative Extension Service staff to assist individuals in creating new businesses, or to assist existing businesses.

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 104–127, § 871, struck out subsec. (j), which authorized program to award competitive grants to carry out rural development research.

1991—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102–237, § 403(a)(2)(A), redesignated subsec. (b), relating to rural development extension work, as (h).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 102–237, § 403(a)(1), amended heading generally and in par. (2) substituted ''until'' for ''during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on''.

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 102–237, § 403(a)(2), redesignated subsec. (b), relating to rural development extension work, as (h), redesignated former subsec. (h), relating to rural health and safety education programs, as (i) and former subsec. (h), relating to research grants, as (j), and moved such subsecs. to appear in proper order.

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 102–237, § 403(a)(2)(B), (D), redesignated subsec. (h), relating to rural health and safety education programs, as (i) and moved such subsec. to appear in proper order.

Subsec. (i)(1)(C). Pub. L. 102–237, § 704(a), added subpar. (C).

Subsec. (i)(4). Pub. L. 102–237, § 704(b), inserted ''or entities described in paragraph (1)(C)'' after ''to States''.

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 102–237, § 403(a)(2)(C), (D), redesignated subsec. (h), relating to research grants, as (j) and moved such subsec. to appear in proper order.

1990—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2346, added subsec. (b), relating to rural development extension work, following subsec. (g).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(c)(1), substituted ''Competitive'' for ''Special'' in heading.

Subsec. (f)(1)(A). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(1), substituted ''competitive grants for programs that meet the criteria specified in subparagraph (B) to develop counseling, retraining, and educational'' for ''special grants for programs to develop educational, retraining, and counseling''.

Subsec. (f)(1)(B). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(3), (4), added subpar. (B), struck out heading, introductory provisions, and cl. (i) of former subpar. (B), and redesignated cls. (ii) to (viii) of former subpar. (B) as cls. (i) to (vii) of subpar. (D). Prior to amendment, introductory provisions and cl. (i) read as follows: ''Such programs shall provide the following services:

''(i) Clinical outreach counseling and crisis management assistance through appropriate State officials.''

Subsec. (f)(1)(C). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(2), (4), added subpar. (C) and redesignated former subpar. (C) as (E).

Subsec. (f)(1)(D). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(2), (4), added heading and introductory provisions of subpar. (D) and redesignated former subpar. (D) as (F).

Subsec. (f)(1)(D)(i) to (vii). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(3)(B), redesignated former subpar. (B)(ii) to (viii) as subpar. (D)(i) to (vii).

Subsec. (f)(1)(D)(viii). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(5), added cl. (viii).

Subsec. (f)(1)(E). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(2), redesignated former subpar. (C) as (E).

Subsec. (f)(1)(F). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(6), substituted ''shall work with the appropriate State office of rural health, State department or agency of mental health, and other'' for ''is encouraged to work with'' and ''an annual comprehensive plan'' for ''a comprehensive plan'', struck out ''special'' before ''grant funds'', and inserted at end ''For recipients in a State to be eligible for a grant under this subsection in any fiscal year, the Cooperative Extension Service within the State must develop and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the appropriate State department or agency of mental health and other State agencies as may be appropriate to carry out the comprehensive plan. Such agreement and plan must emphasize the development and delivery of counseling and outreach programs as provided under subparagraph (B).''

Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(b)(2), redesignated former subpar. (D) as (F).

Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(a), inserted ''to eligible applicants in any State applying for such grants'' after ''under paragraph (1)'', and substituted ''1995'' for ''1990''.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2346, added subsec. (g).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2349, added subsec. (h) relating to research grants.

Pub. L. 101–624, § 2390(b)(1), added subsec. (h) relating to rural health and safety education programs.

1987—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 100–219 amended subsec. (f) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (f) read as follows:

''(1)(A) The Secretary shall provide special grants for programs to develop income alternatives for farmers who have been adversely affected by the current farm and rural economic crisis and those displaced from farming.

''(B) Such programs shall consist of educational and counseling services to farmers to—

''(i) assess human and nonhuman resources;

''(ii) assess income earning alternatives;

''(iii) identify resources and opportunities available to the farmer in the local community, county, and State;

''(iv) implement financial planning and management strategies; and

''(v) provide linkages to specific resources and opportunities that are available to the farmer, such as reentering agriculture, new business opportunities, other off-farm jobs, job search programs, and retraining skills.

''(C) The Secretary also may provide support to mental health officials in developing outreach programs in rural areas.

''(2) Grants may be made under paragraph (1) during the period beginning on December 23, 1985, and ending 3 years after such date.''

1985—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 99–198 added subsec. (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment 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, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110–246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

Amendment by section 7511(c)(6) of Pub. L. 110–246 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 7511(c) of Pub. L. 110–246, set out as a note under section 1522 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS ON CURRENT GRANT RECIPIENTS

Section 2389(d) of Pub. L. 101–624 provided that 8 States receiving grants under 7 U.S.C. 2662(f) during fiscal year 1990 could continue to be eligible to receive grants (in an amount not to exceed the amount received during that fiscal year) under that section notwithstanding that such grants be awarded competitively, so long as such States complied with requirement that not less than one-half of such grant amount was to be used for clinical outreach counseling and crisis management assistance, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104–127, title VII, § 792(b)(1), Apr. 4, 1996, 100 Stat. 1152.

RURAL HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT

Section 2391 of Pub. L. 101–624 provided for award of grant for establishment of project to demonstrate model approach to improving rural health infrastructure, which was to carry out systematic, community-based rural health needs assessments, identify and coordinate available health services resources, improve community infrastructure through health education and information and leadership development and training, and develop community generated health improvement strategies, and further provided for project implementation and limitations on authorization of appropriations, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104–127, title VII, § 709, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1112.

§ 2662a. Repealed. Pub. L. 104–127, title VII, § 706, title VIII, § 867, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1112, 1174

Section, Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, § 2348, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4037, required Secretary to establish program of competitive grants to rural areas to serve as demonstration areas for rural economic development and as models of such development for other areas, and set forth criteria for award of such grants.

§ 2663. Funding

(a) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this subchapter.

(b) Distributions

Such sums as are appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 2662(a) and (b) of this title shall be distributed by the Secretary of Agriculture as follows:

(1) 4 per centum shall be retained by the Secretary for program administration and national coordination of State programs, and program assistance to the States;

(2) 10 per centum shall be used to finance work serving two or more States in which colleges or universities in two or more States cooperate or that is conducted by one college or university to serve two or more States;

(3) 20 per centum shall be allocated equally among the States; and

(4) 66 per centum shall be allocated to each State as follows: One-half in an amount that bears the same ratio to the total amount to be allotted as the rural population of the State bears to the total rural population of all the States, as determined by the last preceding decennial census current at that time; and one-half in an amount that bears the same ratio to the total amount to be allotted as the farm population of the State bears to the total farm population of all the States, as determined by the last preceding decennial census current at that time:

Provided, That, beginning with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1982, no State may receive more than $75,000 until all States have been allotted a minimum of $75,000.

(c) Additional distributions

Such sums as are appropriated to carry out subsections (e) and (i) of section 2662 of this title shall be distributed by the Secretary to colleges and universities, on a competitive or matching fund basis, according to the Secretary's determination of the projects and manner of funding that show the most promise of fulfilling the objectives of those subsections.

(d) Administration of programs

Funds appropriated under this subchapter may be used to pay salaries and other expenses of personnel employed to carry out the functions authorized by this subchapter; to obtain necessary supplies, equipment, and services; and to rent, repair, and maintain facilities needed, but not to purchase or construct buildings.

(e) Development of plans of work and budgets by eligible institutions

Payment of funds to any State for programs authorized under section 2662(a), (b), (c), and (d) of this title shall be contingent upon approval by the Secretary of a plan of work and budget for such programs and compliance with such regulations as the Secretary may issue under this subchapter. Plans for work shall be jointly developed in each State by the land-grant colleges and universities eligible to receive funds under the Act of July 2, 1862 (7 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), and the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321 et seq.), including Tuskegee Institute. In States in which there is no land-grant institution eligible to receive funds under the Act of August 30, 1890, the land-grant institution eligible to receive funds under the Act of July 2, 1862, shall be responsible for developing plans of work and budgets. In the development of the plans of work and budgets, consideration shall be given to involvement of the resources and expertise of the colleges and universities serving the region in which the plans and budgets are to be applied.

(f) Availability; budgets and accounts

Funds shall be available for use by each State in the fiscal year for which appropriated and the next fiscal year following the fiscal year for which appropriated. Funds shall be budgeted and accounted for on such forms and at such times as the Secretary shall prescribe.

(g) Financing of programs at other than cooperating institutions

Funds provided to each State under this subchapter may be used to finance programs through or at private and publicly supported colleges and universities other than the institutions responsible for administering the programs, as provided under section 2664 of this title.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 503, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat.

1324; amended Pub. L. 99–198, title XIV, § 1440(b), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1560; Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, §§ 2389(c)(2), 2390(b)(2), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4055, 4056; Pub. L. 102–237, title IV, § 403(b), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1863; Pub. L. 104–127, title VII, § 792(b)(2), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1152.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of July 2, 1862, referred to in subsec. (e), is act July 2, 1862, ch. 130, 12 Stat. 503, popularly known as the ''Morrill Act'' and also as the ''First Morrill Act'', which is classified generally to subchapter I (§ 301 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 301 of this title and Tables.

Act of August 30, 1890, referred to in subsec. (e), is act Aug. 30, 1890, ch. 841, 26 Stat. 417, as amended, popularly known as the Agricultural College Act of 1890 and also as the Second Morrill Act, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 321 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 321 of this title and Tables.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2663, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 503, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 672; Pub. L. 94–259, § 1, Apr. 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 314; Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1441, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1006; Pub. L. 96–355, § 4(1)–(3), Sept. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 1173, 1174, related to program moneys, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 104–127, § 792(b)(2)(A)(ii), (iii), which directed substitution of ''subsections (e), (h), and (i) of section 2662 of this title shall be distributed'' for ''section 2662(e)'' and all that follows through ''shall be distributed'' and ''objectives of subsections (e), (h), and (i) of section 2662 of this title'' for ''objectives of'' and all that follows through ''title'', could not be executed because of prior amendment by Pub. L. 102–237, which substituted ''subsections (e) and (i) of section 2662 of this title shall be distributed'' for ''the provisions of section 2662(e) of this title shall be distributed'' and ''objectives of those subsections'' for ''objectives of section 2662(e) of this title''. See 1991 Amendment note below.

Pub. L. 104–127, § 792(b)(2)(A)(i), (B), struck out ''(1)'' before ''Such sums'' and struck out par. (2) which read as follows: ''The Secretary shall distribute the amounts appropriated to carry out section 2662(f) of this title to colleges and universities in accordance with the requirements of such subsection.''

1991—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 102–237 substituted ''subsections (e) and (i) of section 2662 of this title'' for ''the provisions of section 2662(e) of this title'' and ''objectives of those subsections'' for ''objectives of section 2662(e) of this title''.

1990—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 101–624, § 2390(b)(2), which directed substitution of ''section 2662(f) of this title, and section 2662(h) of this title'' for ''and section 2662(f) of this title'', could not be executed because of prior amendment by Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(c)(2)(B), which struck out ''and section 2662(f)'' wherever appearing in par. (1). See below.

Pub. L. 101–624, § 2389(c)(2), inserted heading, designated existing provisions as par. (1), struck out ''and section 2662(f)'' before ''of this title'' in two places, and added par. (2).

1985—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 99–198 inserted references to section 2662(f) of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

§ 2664. Cooperating colleges and universities

(a) Program administration

To ensure national coordination with other federally supported agricultural research and extension programs, administration of each State program shall be the responsibility of the colleges and universities eligible to receive funds under the Act of July 2, 1862 [7 U.S.C. 301 et seq.], and the Act of August 30, 1890 [7 U.S.C. 321 et seq.], including Tuskegee Institute. In States that contain more than one such institution, such administration shall be the responsibility of the institution designated by mutual agreement of all such institutions, subject to approval by the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary shall pay funds available to each State to such institution or university. Such administration shall be coordinated with other federally supported agricultural research and extension programs conducted in the State.

(b) Eligibility for participation

All private and publicly supported colleges and universities in a State shall be eligible to participate in programs authorized under this subchapter. Officials at universities or colleges other than those responsible for administering the programs that wish to participate in these programs shall submit program proposals to the college or university officials responsible for administering the programs who shall consider such proposals in the process of developing the budgets and plans of work.

(c) Designation of official for program coordination

The institution of each State responsible for administering the programs authorized under this subchapter shall designate an official who shall be responsible for the overall coordination of the programs.

(d) Appointment of advisory council for program administration; eligibility, membership, etc.

The institution in each State responsible for administering the programs authorized under this subchapter shall name an advisory council to review and approve budgets and plans of work conducted under this subchapter and to advise the chief administrative officer of the institution administering the programs on matters pertaining to the programs. An existing State rural development committee or council may be named to perform this function, or a new council may be appointed by the chief administrative officer or officers. The committee or council named or appointed shall consist of at least twelve members and shall include persons representing farmers, business, labor, banking, local government, multicounty planning and development districts, public and private colleges and universities in the State, and Federal and State agencies involved in rural development.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 504, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1325.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of July 2, 1862, referred to in subsec. (a), is act July 2, 1862, ch. 130, 12 Stat. 503, popularly known as the ''Morrill Act'' and also as the ''First Morrill Act'',

which is classified generally to subchapter I (§ 301 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 301 of this title and Tables.

Act of August 30, 1890, referred to in subsec. (a), is act Aug. 30, 1890, ch. 841, 26 Stat. 417, as amended, popularly known as the Agricultural College Act of 1890 and also as the Second Morrill Act, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 321 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 321 of this title and Tables.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2664, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 504, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 673, related to conducting of programs authorized by this subchapter, by cooperating colleges and universities, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

§ 2665. Withholding funds

If the Secretary of Agriculture determines that a State is not eligible to receive part or all of the funds to which it is otherwise entitled for programs under section 2662(a) and (b) of this title because of a failure to comply with regulations issued by the Secretary under this subchapter, the facts and reasons therefor shall be reported to the President, and the amount involved shall be kept separate in the Treasury until the expiration of the Congress next succeeding the session of the legislature of the State from which funds have been withheld in order that the State may, if it should so desire, appeal to Congress from the determination of the Secretary. If the next Congress shall not direct such sum to be paid, it shall be covered into the Treasury. If any portion of the moneys that are received by the designated officers of any State for the support and maintenance of programs authorized under this subchapter shall by any action or contingency be diminished or lost, or be misapplied, it shall be replaced by the State.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 505, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2665, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 505, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 673, related to agreements and plans, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in former section 2666 of this title, prior to its repeal by Pub. L. 97–98.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

§ 2666. Definitions

For the purposes of this subchapter—

(a) ''rural development'' means the planning, financing, and development of facilities and services in rural areas that contribute to making those areas desirable places in which to live and make private and business investments; the planning, development, and expansion of business and industry in rural areas to provide increased employment and income; the planning, development, conservation, and use of land, water, and other natural resources of rural areas to maintain or improve the quality of the environment for people and business in rural areas; and the building or improvement of institutional, organizational, and leadership capacities of rural citizens and leaders to define and resolve their own community problems;

(b) ''State'' means the several States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

(c) ''small farm'' means any farm (1) producing family net income from all sources (farm and nonfarm) below the median nonmetropolitan income of the State; (2) operated by a family dependent on farming for a significant though not necessarily a majority of its income; and (3) on which family members provide most of the labor and management.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 506, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2666, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 506, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 674, related to withholding of funds, the keeping of a separate account in the Treasury, appeal by a State to Congress, covering of moneys into the Treasury, and State money replacement, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in former section 2667 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

§ 2667. Regulations

The Secretary of Agriculture may issue such regulations as the Secretary determines necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 507, as added Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2667, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 507, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 674; Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1442, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1006; Pub. L. 96–355, § 4(4), Sept. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 1174, set forth definitions for purposes of this subchapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in former section 2668 of this title, which was omitted from the Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as a note under section 4301 of this title.

§ 2668. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 508, Aug. 30, 1972, 86 Stat. 674, related to Secretary's authority to promulgate such regulations as might be necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter, prior to the general revision of this subchapter by Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(a), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1322. See section 2667 of this title.

§ 2669. Pilot projects for production and marketing of industrial hydrocarbons and alcohols from agricultural commodities and forest products

(a) Formulation and execution of program

The Secretary is authorized and directed to formulate and carry out a pilot program for the production and marketing of industrial hydrocarbons derived from agricultural commodities and forest products for the purpose of stabilizing and expanding the market for such commodities and products and expanding the Nation's supply of industrial hydrocarbons.

(b) Loan guarantees

The Secretary shall provide for four pilot projects for the production of industrial hydrocarbons and alcohols from agricultural commodities and forest products by guaranteeing loans, not to exceed $15,000,000 per each such project, to public, private, or cooperative organizations organized for profit or nonprofit, or to individuals for a term not to exceed twenty years at a rate of interest agreed upon by the borrower and lender.

(c) Conditions

No loan may be guaranteed under this section unless (1) research indicates the total energy content of the products and byproducts to be manufactured by the loan applicant will exceed the total energy input from fossil fuels used in the manufacture of such products and byproducts, and (2) such other conditions as the Secretary deems appropriate to achieve the purposes of this section are met.

(d) Long-term contracts to supply agricultural commodities to loan recipients

In order to assure that the recipients of loans made under this section have a dependable supply of agricultural commodities at a stable price for use in the pilot projects provided for in this section, the Secretary is authorized to enter into long-term contracts, not exceeding five years, with the recipients of such loans. Such contracts shall guarantee the recipients of such loans a specified quantity of agricultural commodities annually at mutually agreed upon prices, but the agricultural commodities shall not be sold under any such contracts at less than the price support level prescribed for the commodity concerned unless the commodities are out of condition, unstorable, or sample-grade or lower, as prescribed in Department of Agriculture standards.

(e) Commodity Credit Corporation stocks as supply sources; outside purchases

The Secretary shall supply from Commodity Credit Corporation stocks or, to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in appropriation Acts, purchase such quantities of agricultural commodities as may be necessary to comply with the terms of agreements entered into under this section.

(f) Commodity Credit Corporation

The provisions of this section shall be carried out through the Commodity Credit Corporation.

(Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 508, formerly § 509, as added Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1420, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 998; renumbered Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(b), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 1901 of Pub. L. 95–113, set out as an Effective Date of 1977 Amendment note under section 1307 of this title.

§ 2670. Repealed. Pub. L. 97–98, title XIV, § 1444(b), Dec. 22, 1981, 95 Stat. 1326

Section, Pub. L. 92–419, title V, § 510, as added Pub. L. 95–113, title XIV, § 1443, Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1006, required an annual evaluation by Secretary of effectiveness of programs established under section 2662(c) and (d) of this title and submission of an annual report to Congress on that evaluation and operation of programs during previous year.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97–98, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4301 of this title.

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Eggs constitute one of the basic, natural foods in the diet. They are produced by many individual egg producers throughout the United States. Egg products, spent fowl, and products of spent fowl are derivatives of egg production. These products move in interstate and foreign commerce and those which do not move in such channels of commerce directly burden or affect interstate commerce of these products. The