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### CHAPTER 60—FISH AND SEAFOOD PROMOTION

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#### § 4001. Congressional findings

The Congress finds that—

- (1) the commercial fishing industry of the United States significantly contributes to the

national economy, and could make a greater contribution if fish resources within the United States Exclusive Economic Zone were more fully utilized;

(2) the commercial fisheries of the United States provide significant employment in coastal areas and in processing and distribution centers;

(3) fish contribute an important nutritional component to the American diet;

(4) increased consumption of seafood in the United States could significantly lower the risk of many cardiovascular diseases;

(5) Federally supported development programs for commercial fisheries are unable to meet present and future marketing needs;

(6) many fish species are underutilized by the United States fishing industry because of underdeveloped markets; and

(7) the United States fishing industry has the potential to expand greatly its contribution to interstate and foreign commerce, favorably affecting the balance of trade.

(Pub. L. 99-659, title II, §202, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3715.)

#### SHORT TITLE

Section 201 of title II of Pub. L. 99-659 provided that: “This title [enacting this chapter and amending section 713c-3 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade] may be cited as the ‘Fish and Seafood Promotion Act of 1986.’”

#### REPORT TO CONGRESS ON FISH AND SEAFOOD PROMOTION

Section 219 of title II of Pub. L. 99-659 provided that: “The Secretary shall, not later than March 1, 1989, submit to the Congress a report on the effectiveness of the implementation of this title [enacting this chapter and amending section 713c-3 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade] in achieving the purposes of this title.”

#### § 4002. Congressional statement of purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to—

(1) strengthen the competitive position of the United States commercial fishing industry in the domestic and international marketplace;

(2) encourage the development and utilization of all species of fish available for harvest by the United States fishing industry;

(3) encourage the utilization of domestically-produced fish through enhancement of markets, promotion, and public relations;

(4) help the United States fishing industry develop methods to improve quality and efficiency in the marketplace;

(5) educate and inform consumers on the use of fish;

(6) develop better coordination of fisheries marketing and promotion activities with commercial fisheries research and development programs; and

(7) educate and inform the public about the nutritional value of fish in the diet.

(Pub. L. 99-659, title II, §203, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3716.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this title”, meaning title II of Pub. L. 99-659, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3715, which is classified principally to