

employees of the Department of Health and Human Services.

(June 25, 1938, ch. 675, §746, formerly §742, as added Pub. L. 105-115, title IV, §408(a), Nov. 21, 1997, 111 Stat. 2371; amended Pub. L. 110-85, title VI, §601(c), Sept. 27, 2007, 121 Stat. 897; renumbered §746, Pub. L. 110-316, title II, §202(a), Aug. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 3515.)

#### AMENDMENT OF SECTION

*For termination of amendment renumbering this section by section 204(a) of Pub. L. 110-316, see Termination Date of 2008 Amendment note below.*

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 746 of act June 25, 1938, was renumbered section 749 and is classified to section 379o of this title.

#### AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 110-85 inserted at end “Any such fellowships and training programs under this section or under section 379dd(d)(2)(A)(ix) of this title may include provision by such scientists and physicians of services on a voluntary and uncompensated basis, as the Secretary determines appropriate. Such scientists and physicians shall be subject to all legal and ethical requirements otherwise applicable to officers or employees of the Department of Health and Human Services.”

#### TERMINATION DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 110-316 to cease to be effective Oct. 1, 2013, see section 204(a) of Pub. L. 110-316, set out as a Termination Date note under section 379j-21 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 90 days after Nov. 21, 1997, except as otherwise provided, see section 501 of Pub. L. 105-115, set out as an Effective Date of 1997 Amendment note under section 321 of this title.

#### PART E—ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REVIEW

### § 379o. Environmental impact

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an environmental impact statement prepared in accordance with the regulations published in part 25 of title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on August 31, 1997) in connection with an action carried out under (or a recommendation or report relating to) this chapter, shall be considered to meet the requirements for a detailed statement under section 4332(2)(C) of title 42.

(June 25, 1938, ch. 675, §749, formerly §746, as added Pub. L. 105-115, title IV, §411, Nov. 21, 1997, 111 Stat. 2373; renumbered §749, Pub. L. 110-316, title II, §202(a), Aug. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 3515.)

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#### PART F—NATIONAL UNIFORMITY FOR NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND PREEMPTION FOR LABELING OR PACKAGING OF COSMETICS

### § 379r. National uniformity for nonprescription drugs

#### (a) In general

Except as provided in subsection (b), (c)(1), (d), (e), or (f) of this section, no State or political subdivision of a State may establish or continue in effect any requirement—

(1) that relates to the regulation of a drug that is not subject to the requirements of section 353(b)(1) or 353(f)(1)(A) of this title; and

(2) that is different from or in addition to, or that is otherwise not identical with, a requirement under this chapter, the Poison Prevention Packaging Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. 1471 et seq.), or the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (15 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.).

#### (b) Exemption

##### (1) In general

Upon application of a State or political subdivision thereof, the Secretary may by regulation, after notice and opportunity for written and oral presentation of views, exempt from subsection (a) of this section, under such conditions as may be prescribed in such regulation, a State or political subdivision requirement that—

(A) protects an important public interest that would otherwise be unprotected, including the health and safety of children;

(B) would not cause any drug to be in violation of any applicable requirement or prohibition under Federal law; and

(C) would not unduly burden interstate commerce.

##### (2) Timely action

The Secretary shall make a decision on the exemption of a State or political subdivision requirement under paragraph (1) not later than 120 days after receiving the application of the State or political subdivision under paragraph (1).

#### (c) Scope

##### (1) In general

This section shall not apply to—

(A) any State or political subdivision requirement that relates to the practice of pharmacy; or

(B) any State or political subdivision requirement that a drug be dispensed only upon the prescription of a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drug.

##### (2) Safety or effectiveness

For purposes of subsection (a) of this section, a requirement that relates to the regulation of a drug shall be deemed to include any requirement relating to public information or any other form of public communication relating to a warning of any kind for a drug.