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§8301. Findings

Congress finds that—

(1) the prevention, detection, control, and eradication of diseases and pests of animals are essential to protect—

(A) animal health;

(B) the health and welfare of the people of the United States;

(C) the economic interests of the livestock and related industries of the United States;

(D) the environment of the United States; and

(E) interstate commerce and foreign commerce of the United States in animals and other articles;

(2) animal diseases and pests are primarily transmitted by animals and articles regulated under this chapter;

(3) the health of animals is affected by the methods by which animals and articles are transported in interstate commerce and foreign commerce;

(4) the Secretary must continue to conduct research on animal diseases and pests that constitute a threat to the livestock of the United States; and

(5)(A) all animals and articles regulated under this chapter are in or affect interstate commerce or foreign commerce; and

(B) regulation by the Secretary and cooperation by the Secretary with foreign countries, States or other jurisdictions, or persons are necessary—

(i) to prevent and eliminate burdens on interstate commerce and foreign commerce;

(ii) to regulate effectively interstate commerce and foreign commerce; and

(iii) to protect the agriculture, environment, economy, and health and welfare of the people of the United States.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10402, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in pars. (2) and (5)(A), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified

principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Short Title

Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10401, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, provided that: "This subtitle [subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, enacting this chapter, amending sections 7714 and 7733 of this title, section 1540 of Title 16, Conservation, and sections 136a and 618 of Title 21, Food and Drugs, and repealing sections 429, 2260, 2260a of this title, section 1306 of Title 19, Customs Duties, sections 102 to 105, 111, 112, 113, 114 to 114d–1, 114e to 114h, 115 to 131, 134 to 135b, 612 to 614 of Title 21, sections 3901 and 3902 of Title 46, Shipping, and provisions set out as a note under section 129a of Title 21] may be cited as the 'Animal Health Protection Act'."

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8302. Definitions

In this chapter:

(1) Animal

The term "animal" means any member of the animal kingdom (except a human).

(2) Article

The term "article" means any pest or disease or any material or tangible object that could harbor a pest or disease.

(3) Disease

The term "disease" has the meaning given the term by the Secretary.

(4) Enter

The term "enter" means to move into the commerce of the United States.

(5) Export

The term "export" means to move from a place within the territorial limits of the United States to a place outside the territorial limits of the United States.

(6) Facility

The term "facility" means any structure.

(7) Import

The term "import" means to move from a place outside the territorial limits of the United States to a place within the territorial limits of the United States.

(8) Indian tribe

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

(9) Interstate commerce

The term "interstate commerce" means trade, traffic, or other commerce—

(A) between a place in a State and a place in another State, or between places within the same State but through any place outside that State; or

(B) within the District of Columbia or any territory or possession of the United States.

(10) Livestock

The term "livestock" means all farm-raised animals.

(11) Means of conveyance

The term "means of conveyance" means any personal property used for or intended for use for the movement of any other personal property.

(12) Move

The term "move" means—

(A) to carry, enter, import, mail, ship, or transport;

(B) to aid, abet, cause, or induce carrying, entering, importing, mailing, shipping, or transporting;

(C) to offer to carry, enter, import, mail, ship, or transport;

(D) to receive in order to carry, enter, import, mail, ship, or transport;
(E) to release into the environment; or
(F) to allow any of the activities described in this paragraph.

(13) Pest

The term "pest" means any of the following that can directly or indirectly injure, cause damage to, or cause disease in livestock:
(A) A protozoan.
(B) A plant.
(C) A bacteria.
(D) A fungus.
(E) A virus or viroid.
(F) An infectious agent or other pathogen.
(G) An arthropod.
(H) A parasite.
(I) A prion.
(J) A vector.
(K) Any organism similar to or allied with any of the organisms described in this paragraph.

(14) Secretary

The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(15) State

The term "State" means any of the States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands of the United States, or any territory or possession of the United States.

(16) This chapter

Except when used in this section, the term "this chapter" includes any regulation or order issued by the Secretary under the authority of this chapter.

(17) United States

The term "United States" means all of the States.

(18) Veterinary countermeasure

The term "veterinary countermeasure" means any biological product (including an animal vaccine or diagnostic), pharmaceutical product (including a therapeutic), non-pharmaceutical product (including a disinfectant), or other product or equipment to prevent, detect, respond to, or mitigate harm to public or animal health resulting from, animal pests or diseases.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10403, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494; Pub. L. 115–334, title XII, §12101(a), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4937; Pub. L. 117–328, div. HH, title V, §603, Dec. 29, 2022, 136 Stat. 5996.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in introductory provisions and par. (16), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Codification

Amendment by Pub. L. 117–328 is based on section 4 of H.R. 5608, One Hundred Seventeenth Congress, as engrossed in the House of Representatives on Dec. 8, 2021, which was enacted into law by section 603 of Pub. L. 117–328.

Amendments

2022—Par. (8). Pub. L. 117–328 made technical amendment to reference in original act which appears in text as reference to section 5304 of title 25.
2018—Par. (18). Pub. L. 115–334 added par. (18).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

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Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8303. Restriction on importation or entry

(a) In general

With notice to the Secretary of the Treasury and public notice as soon as practicable, the Secretary may prohibit or restrict—

(1) the importation or entry of any animal, article, or means of conveyance, or use of any means of conveyance or facility, if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the introduction into or dissemination within the United States of any pest or disease of livestock;

(2) the further movement of any animal that has strayed into the United States if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the introduction into or dissemination within the United States of any pest or disease of livestock; and

(3) the use of any means of conveyance in connection with the importation or entry of livestock if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary because the means of conveyance has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition or does not have accommodations for the safe and proper movement of livestock.

(b) Regulations

(1) Restrictions on import and entry

The Secretary may issue such orders and promulgate such regulations as are necessary to carry out subsection (a).

(2) Post importation quarantine

The Secretary may promulgate regulations requiring that any animal imported or entered be raised or handled under post-importation quarantine conditions by or under the supervision of the Secretary for the purpose of determining whether the animal is or may be affected by any pest or disease of livestock.

(c) Destruction or removal

(1) In general

The Secretary may order the destruction or removal from the United States of—

(A) any animal, article, or means of conveyance that has been imported but has not entered the United States if the Secretary determines that destruction or removal from the United States is necessary to prevent the introduction into or dissemination within the United States of any pest or disease of livestock;

(B) any animal or progeny of any animal, article, or means of conveyance that has been imported or entered in violation of this chapter; or

(C) any animal that has strayed into the United States if the Secretary determines that destruction or removal from the United States is necessary to prevent the introduction into or dissemination within the United States of any pest or disease of livestock.

(2) Requirements of owners

(A) Orders to disinfect

The Secretary may require the disinfection of—

(i) a means of conveyance used in connection with the importation of an animal;

(ii) an individual involved in the importation of an animal and personal articles of the individual; and

(iii) any article used in the importation of an animal.

(B) Failure to comply with orders

If an owner fails to comply with an order of the Secretary under this section, the Secretary may—

(i) take remedial action, destroy, or remove from the United States the animal or progeny of any animal, article, or means of conveyance as authorized under paragraph (1); and

(ii) recover from the owner the costs of any care, handling, disposal, or other action incurred by the Secretary in connection with the remedial action, destruction, or removal.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10404, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 496.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (c)(1)(B), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8304. Exportation

(a) In general

The Secretary may prohibit or restrict—

(1) the exportation of any animal, article, or means of conveyance if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination from or within the United States of any pest or disease of livestock;

(2) the exportation of any livestock if the Secretary determines that the livestock is unfit to be moved;

(3) the use of any means of conveyance or facility in connection with the exportation of any animal or article if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination from or within the United States of any pest or disease of livestock; or

(4) the use of any means of conveyance in connection with the exportation of livestock if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary because the means of conveyance has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition or does not have accommodations for the safe and proper movement and humane treatment of livestock.

(b) Requirements of owners

(1) Orders to disinfect

The Secretary may require the disinfection of—

(A) a means of conveyance used in connection with the exportation of an animal;

(B) an individual involved in the exportation of an animal and personal articles of the individual; and

(C) any article used in the exportation of an animal.

(2) Failure to comply with orders

If an owner fails to comply with an order of the Secretary under this section, the Secretary may—

(A) take remedial action with respect to the animal, article, or means of conveyance referred to in paragraph (1); and

(B) recover from the owner the costs of any care, handling, disposal, or other action incurred by the Secretary in connection with the remedial action.

(c) Certification

The Secretary may certify the classification, quality, quantity, condition, processing, handling, or storage of any animal or article intended for export.

(d) Authorization of appropriations

(1) In general

There is authorized to be appropriated—

(A) $1,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2018 to carry out section 11010 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008; and

(B) such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2018 to carry out this section.

(2) Availability

Funds appropriated under paragraph (1) shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10405, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 497; Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11010(c), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11010(c), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2121; Pub. L. 113–79, title XII, §12101(c), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 978.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

Section 11010 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008, referred to in subsec. (d)(1)(A), is section 11010 of Pub. L. 110–246, which amended this section and enacted provisions set out as a note below.

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

2014—Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 113–79 substituted "2018" for "2012" in subpars. (A) and (B).
2008—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 110–246, §11010(c), added subsec. (d).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

Trichinae Certification Program

Pub. L. 113–79, title XII, §12101(a), (b), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 978, provided that:

"(a) Alternative Certification Process.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall amend the rule made under paragraph (2) of section 11010(a) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8304(a) [sic]) [7 U.S.C. 8304 note, set out below] to implement the voluntary trichinae certification program established under paragraph (1) of such section, to include a requirement to establish an alternative trichinae certification process based on surveillance or other methods consistent with international standards for categorizing compartments as having negligible risk for trichinae.

"(b) Final Regulations.—Not later than one year after the date on which the international standards referred to in subsection (a) are adopted, the Secretary shall finalize the rule amended under such subsection."

Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11010(a), (b), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1359, and Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11010(a), (b), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2121, provided that:

"(a) Voluntary Trichinae Certification.—

"(1) Establishment.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [June 18, 2008], the Secretary of Agriculture shall establish a voluntary trichinae certification program. Such program shall include the facilitation of the export of pork products and certification services related to such products.

"(2) Regulations.—The Secretary shall issue final regulations to implement the program under paragraph (1) not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

"(3) Report.—If final regulations are not published in accordance with paragraph (2) within 90 days of the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report containing—

"(A) an explanation of why the final regulations have not been issued in accordance with paragraph (2); and

"(B) the date on which the Secretary expects to issue such final regulations.

"(b) Funding.—Subject to the availability of appropriations under subsection (d)(1)(A) of section 10405 of the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8304), as added by subsection (c), the Secretary shall use not less than $6,200,000 of the funds made available under such subsection to carry out subsection (a)."

[Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 enacted identical provisions. Pub. L. 110–234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246, set out as a note under section 8701 of this title.]

§8305. Interstate movement

The Secretary may prohibit or restrict—

(1) the movement in interstate commerce of any animal, article, or means of conveyance if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the introduction or dissemination of any pest or disease of livestock; and

(2) the use of any means of conveyance or facility in connection with the movement in interstate commerce of any animal or article if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the introduction or dissemination of any pest or disease of livestock.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10406, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 498.)

§8306. Seizure, quarantine, and disposal

(a) In general

The Secretary may hold, seize, quarantine, treat, destroy, dispose of, or take other remedial action with respect to—

(1) any animal or progeny of any animal, article, or means of conveyance that—

(A) is moving or has been moved in interstate commerce or has been imported and entered; and

(B) the Secretary has reason to believe may carry, may have carried, or may have been affected with or exposed to any pest or disease of livestock at the time of movement or that is otherwise in violation of this chapter;

(2) any animal or progeny of any animal, article, or means of conveyance that is moving or is being handled, or has moved or has been handled, in interstate commerce in violation of this chapter;

(3) any animal or progeny of any animal, article, or means of conveyance that has been imported, and is moving or is being handled or has moved or has been handled, in violation of this chapter; or

(4) any animal or progeny of any animal, article, or means of conveyance that the Secretary finds is not being maintained, or has not been maintained, in accordance with any post-importation quarantine, post-importation condition, post-movement quarantine, or post-movement condition in accordance with this chapter.

(b) Extraordinary emergencies

(1) In general

Subject to paragraph (2), if the Secretary determines that an extraordinary emergency exists because of the presence in the United States of a pest or disease of livestock and that the presence of the pest or disease threatens the livestock of the United States, the Secretary may—

(A) hold, seize, treat, apply other remedial actions to, destroy (including preventative slaughter), or otherwise dispose of, any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance if the Secretary determines the action is necessary to prevent the dissemination of the pest or disease; and

(B) prohibit or restrict the movement or use within a State, or any portion of a State of any animal or article, means of conveyance, or facility if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination of the pest or disease.

(2) State action

(A) In general

The Secretary may take action in a State under this subsection only on finding that measures being taken by the State are inadequate to control or eradicate the pest or disease, after review and consultation with—

"(i) $\frac{1}{}$ the Governor or an appropriate animal health official of the State; or

"(ii) $\frac{1}{}$ in the case of any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance under the jurisdiction of an Indian tribe, the head of the Indian tribe.

(B) Notice

Subject to subparagraph (C), before any action is taken in a State under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall—

(i) notify the Governor, an appropriate animal health official of the State, or head of the Indian tribe of the proposed action;

(ii) issue a public announcement of the proposed action; and

(iii) publish in the Federal Register—

(I) the findings of the Secretary;

(II) a description of the proposed action; and

(III) a statement of the reasons for the proposed action.

(C) Notice after action

If it is not practicable to publish in the Federal Register the information required under subparagraph (B)(iii) before taking action under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall publish the information as soon as practicable, but not later than 10 business days, after commencement of the action.

(c) Quarantine, disposal, or other remedial action

(1) In general

The Secretary, in writing, may order the owner of any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance referred to in subsection (a) or (b) to maintain in quarantine, dispose of, or take other remedial action with respect to the animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance, in a manner determined by the Secretary.

(2) Failure to comply with orders

If the owner fails to comply with the order of the Secretary, the Secretary may—

(A) seize, quarantine, dispose of, or take other remedial action with respect to the animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance under subsection (a) or (b); and

(B) recover from the owner the costs of any care, handling, disposal, or other remedial action incurred by the Secretary in connection with the seizure, quarantine, disposal, or other remedial action.

(d) Compensation

(1) In general

Except as provided in paragraph (3), the Secretary shall compensate the owner of any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance that the Secretary requires to be destroyed under this section.

(2) Amount

(A) In general

Subject to subparagraphs (B) and (C), the compensation shall be based on the fair market value, as determined by the Secretary, of the destroyed animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance.

(B) Limitation

Compensation paid any owner under this subsection shall not exceed the difference between—

(i) the fair market value of the destroyed animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance; and

(ii) any compensation received by the owner from a State or other source for the destroyed animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance.

(C) Reviewability

The determination by the Secretary of the amount to be paid under this subsection shall be final and not subject to judicial review or review by any officer or employee of the Federal Government other than the Secretary or the designee of the Secretary.

(3) Exceptions

No payment shall be made by the Secretary under this subsection for—

(A) any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance that has been moved or handled by the owner in violation of an agreement for the control and eradication of diseases or pests or in violation of this chapter;

(B) any progeny of any animal or article, which animal or article has been moved or handled by the owner of the animal or article in violation of this chapter;

(C) any animal, article, or means of conveyance that is refused entry under this chapter; or

(D) any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance that becomes or has become affected with or exposed to any pest or disease of livestock because of a violation of an agreement for the control and eradication of diseases or pests or a violation of this chapter by the owner.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10407, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 498; Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11011(1), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11011(1), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2121.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (d)(3), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 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.

Amendments

2008—Subsec. (d)(2)(C). Pub. L. 110–246, §11011(1), struck out "of longer than 60 days" after "or review".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.

Transfer of Functions

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[1] *So in original. Opening quotation marks probably should not appear.*

§8307. Inspections, seizures, and warrants

(a) Guidelines

The activities authorized by this section shall be carried out consistent with guidelines approved by the Attorney General.

(b) Warrantless inspections

The Secretary may stop and inspect, without a warrant, any person or means of conveyance moving—

(1) into the United States, to determine whether the person or means of conveyance is carrying any animal or article regulated under this chapter;

(2) in interstate commerce, on probable cause to believe that the person or means of conveyance is carrying any animal or article regulated under this chapter; or

(3) in intrastate commerce from any State, or any portion of a State, quarantined under section 8306(b) of this title, on probable cause to believe that the person or means of conveyance is carrying any animal or article quarantined under section 8306(b) of this title.

(c) Inspections with warrants

(1) In general

The Secretary may enter, with a warrant, any premises in the United States for the purpose of making inspections and seizures under this chapter.

(2) Application and issuance of warrants

(A) In general

On proper oath or affirmation showing probable cause to believe that there is on certain premises any animal, article, facility, or means of conveyance regulated under this chapter, a United States judge, a judge of a court of record in the United States, or a United States magistrate judge may issue a warrant for the entry on premises within the jurisdiction of the judge or magistrate to make any inspection or seizure under this chapter.

(B) Execution

The warrant may be applied for and executed by the Secretary or any United States marshal.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10408, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 500.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (b) and (c), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

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Preclearance Quarantine Inspections

Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10811, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 531, provided that:

"(a) Preclearance Inspections Required.—The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, shall conduct preclearance quarantine inspections of persons, baggage, cargo, and any other articles destined for movement from the State of Hawaii to any of the following—

"(1) The continental United States.

"(2) Guam.

"(3) Puerto Rico.

"(4) The United States Virgin Islands.

"(b) Inspection Locations.—The preclearance quarantine inspections required by subsection (a) shall be conducted at all direct departure and interline airports in the State of Hawaii.

"(c) Limitation.—The Secretary shall not implement this section unless appropriations for necessary expenses of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for inspection, quarantine, and regulatory

activities are increased by an amount not less than $3,000,000 in an Act making appropriations for fiscal year 2003."

§8308. Detection, control, and eradication of diseases and pests

(a) In general

The Secretary may carry out operations and measures to detect, control, or eradicate any pest or disease of livestock (including the drawing of blood and diagnostic testing of animals), including animals at a slaughterhouse, stockyard, or other point of concentration.

(b) Compensation

(1) In general

The Secretary may pay a claim arising out of the destruction of any animal, article, or means of conveyance consistent with the purposes of this chapter.

(2) Specific cooperative programs

The Secretary shall compensate industry participants and State agencies that cooperate with the Secretary in carrying out operations and measures under subsection (a) for 100 percent of eligible costs relating to cooperative programs involving Federal, State, and industry participants to control diseases of low pathogenicity in accordance with regulations issued by the Secretary.

(3) Reviewability

The action of the Secretary in carrying out paragraph (1) shall not be subject to review by any officer or employee of the Federal Government other than the Secretary or the designee of the Secretary.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10409, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 501; Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11011(2), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11011(2), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2122.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 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.

Amendments

2008—Subsec. (b)(2), (3). Pub. L. 110–246, §11011(2), added par. (2), redesignated former par. (2) as (3), and, in par. (3), struck out "of longer than 60 days" after "review".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

National Poultry Improvement Plan

Pub. L. 113–79, title XII, §12107, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 982, provided that: "The Secretary of Agriculture shall ensure that the Department of Agriculture continues to administer the diagnostic surveillance program for H5/H7 low pathogenic avian influenza with respect to commercial poultry under section 146.14 of title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation), without amending the regulations in section 147.43 of title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the

date of the enactment of this Act [Feb. 7, 2014]), with respect to the governance of the General Conference Committee established under such section. The Secretary of Agriculture shall maintain—

"(1) the operations of the General Conference Committee—

"(A) in the physical location at which the Committee was located on the date of the enactment of this Act; and

"(B) with the organizational structure within the Department of Agriculture in effect as of such date; and

"(2) the funding levels for the National Poultry Improvement Plan for Commercial Poultry (established under part 146 of title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, or a successor regulation) at the fiscal year 2013 funding levels for the Plan."

§8308a. Animal disease prevention and management

(a) National Animal Health Laboratory Network

(1) Definition of eligible laboratory

In this subsection, the term "eligible laboratory" means a diagnostic laboratory that meets specific criteria developed by the Secretary, in consultation with State animal health officials, State veterinary diagnostic laboratories, and veterinary diagnostic laboratories at institutions of higher education (as defined in section 1001 of title 20).

(2) In general

The Secretary, in consultation with State veterinarians, shall offer to enter into contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or other legal instruments with eligible laboratories for any of the following purposes:

(A) To enhance the capability of the Secretary to respond in a timely manner to emerging or existing bioterrorist threats to animal health.

(B) To provide the capacity and capability for standardized—

(i) test procedures, reference materials, and equipment;

(ii) laboratory biosafety and biosecurity levels;

(iii) quality management system requirements;

(iv) interconnected electronic reporting and transmission of data; and

(v) evaluation for emergency preparedness.

(C) To coordinate the development, implementation, and enhancement of national veterinary diagnostic laboratory capabilities, with special emphasis on surveillance planning and vulnerability analysis, technology development and validation, training, and outreach.

(3) Priority

To the extent practicable and to the extent capacity and specialized expertise may be necessary, the Secretary shall give priority to existing Federal facilities, State facilities, and facilities at institutions of higher education.

(b) National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program

(1) Program required

The Secretary shall establish a program, to be known as the National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program (referred to in this section as "the Program"), to address the increasing risk of the introduction and spread within the United States of animal pests and diseases affecting the economic interests of the livestock and related industries of the United States, including the maintenance and expansion of export markets.

(2) Program activities

Activities under the Program shall include, to the extent practicable, the following:

(A) Enhancing animal pest and disease analysis and surveillance.

(B) Expanding outreach and education.

(C) Targeting domestic inspection activities at vulnerable points in the safeguarding continuum.

(D) Enhancing and strengthening threat identification technology.

(E) Improving biosecurity.

(F) Enhancing emergency preparedness and response capabilities, including training additional emergency response personnel.

(G) Conducting technology development to enhance electronic sharing of animal health data for risk analysis between State and Federal animal health officials.

(H) Enhancing the development and effectiveness of animal health technologies to treat and prevent animal disease, including—

(i) veterinary biologics and diagnostics;

(ii) animal drugs for minor uses and minor species;

(iii) animal medical devices; and

(iv) emerging veterinary countermeasures.

(I) Such other activities as determined appropriate by the Secretary, in consultation with eligible entities specified in paragraph (3).

(3) Eligible entities

To carry out the Program, the Secretary shall offer to enter into cooperative agreements or other legal instruments, as authorized under section 8312 of this title (referred to in this section as "agreements") with eligible entities, to be selected by the Secretary, which may include any of the following entities, either individually or in combination:

(A) A State department of agriculture.

(B) The office of the chief animal health official of a State.

(C) An entity eligible to receive funds under a capacity and infrastructure program (as defined in section 6971(f)(1)(C) of this title).

(D) A college of veterinary medicine, including a veterinary emergency team at such college.

(E) A State or national livestock producer organization with direct and significant economic interest in livestock production.

(F) A State emergency agency.

(G) A State, national, allied, or regional veterinary organization or specialty board recognized by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

(H) An Indian Tribe.

(I) A Federal agency.

(4) Special funding considerations

In entering into agreements under this subsection, the Secretary shall give priority to applications submitted by —

(A) a State department of agriculture or an office of the chief animal health official of a State; or

(B) an eligible entity that will carry out program activities in a State or region in which—

(i) an animal pest or disease is a Federal concern; or

(ii) the Secretary determines a potential exists for the spread of an animal pest or disease after taking into consideration—

(I) the agricultural industries in the State or region;

(II) factors contributing to animal pest or disease in the State or region, such as the climate, natural resources, and geography of, and native and exotic wildlife species and other disease vectors in, the State or region; and

(III) the movement of animals in the State or region.

(5) Consultation

For purposes of setting priorities under this subsection, the Secretary shall consult with eligible entities specified in paragraph (3). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) [1] shall not apply to consultation carried out under this paragraph.

(6) Application

(A) In general

An eligible entity specified in paragraph (3) seeking to enter into an agreement under the Program shall submit to the Secretary an application containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(B) Notification

The Secretary shall notify each applicant of—

(i) the requirements to be imposed on the eligible entity that is the recipient of funds under the Program for auditing of, and reporting on, the use of such funds; and

(ii) the criteria to be used to ensure activities supported using such funds are based on sound scientific data or thorough risk assessments.

(C) Non-Federal contributions

When deciding whether to enter into an agreement under the Program with an eligible entity described in paragraph (3), the Secretary—

(i) may take into consideration an eligible entity's ability to contribute non-Federal funds to carry out such an agreement; and

(ii) shall not require such an eligible entity to make such a contribution as a condition to enter into an agreement.

(7) Use of funds

(A) Use consistent with terms of cooperative agreement

The recipient of funds under the Program shall use the funds for the purposes and in the manner provided in the agreement under which the funds are provided.

(B) Sub-agreement

Nothing in this section prevents an eligible entity from using funds received under the Program to enter into sub-agreements with another eligible entity or with a political subdivision of a State that has legal responsibilities relating to animal disease prevention, surveillance, or rapid response.

(8) Reporting requirement

Not later than 90 days after the date of completion of an activity conducted using funds provided under the Program, the recipient of such funds shall submit to the Secretary a report that describes the purposes and results of the activities.

(c) National Animal Vaccine Bank

(1) Establishment

The Secretary shall establish a national animal vaccine and veterinary countermeasures bank (to be known as the National Animal Vaccine and Veterinary Countermeasures Bank and referred to in this subsection as the "Vaccine Bank") to benefit the domestic interests of the United States.

(2) Elements of Vaccine Bank

Through the Vaccine Bank, the Secretary shall—

(A) maintain sufficient quantities of veterinary countermeasures to appropriately and rapidly respond to the most damaging animal diseases affecting or with potential to affect human health or the economy of the United States; and

(B) leverage, when appropriate, the mechanisms and infrastructure that have been developed for the management, storage, and distribution of the National Veterinary Stockpile.

(3) Priority for response to foot and mouth disease

The Secretary shall prioritize the acquisition and maintenance of sufficient quantities of foot and mouth disease vaccine and accompanying diagnostic products for the Vaccine Bank. As part of such prioritization, the Secretary may offer to enter into one or more contracts with one or more entities that are capable of producing foot and mouth disease vaccine and that have surge production capacity of the vaccine.

(d) Funding

(1) Mandatory funding

(A) Fiscal years 2019 through 2022

Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available to carry out this section $120,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2019 through 2022, of which not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available for each of those fiscal years to carry out subsection (b).

(B) Fiscal years 2023 through 2025

Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available to carry out this section $30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2025, of which not less than $18,000,000 shall be made available for each of those fiscal years to carry out subsection (b).

(C) Fiscal years 2026 through 2030

Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available to carry out this section $233,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026 through 2030, of which—

(i) not less than $10,000,000 shall be made available for each such fiscal year to carry out subsection (a);

(ii) not less than $70,000,000 shall be made available for each such fiscal year to carry out subsection (b); and

(iii) not less than $153,000,000 shall be made available for each such fiscal year to carry out subsection (c).

(D) Subsequent fiscal years

Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available to carry out this section $75,000,000 for fiscal year 2031 and each fiscal year thereafter, of which not less than $45,000,000 shall be made available for each of those fiscal years to carry out subsection (b).

(2) Authorization of appropriations

(A) National animal health laboratory network

In addition to the funds made available under paragraph (1), there is authorized to be appropriated $30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023 to carry out subsection (a).

(B) National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program; National Animal Vaccine and Veterinary Countermeasures Bank

In addition to the funds made available under paragraph (1), there is authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023 to carry out subsections (b) and (c).

(C) Additionality

The funds authorized for appropriation under this paragraph are in addition to any funds authorized or otherwise made available under this section or section 8316 of this title.

(3) Administrative costs

(A) Secretary

Of the funds made available under this section or section 8316 of this title to carry out the National Animal Health Laboratory Network under subsection (a) and the National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program under subsection (b), not more than 4 percent may be retained by the Secretary to pay administrative costs incurred by the Secretary.

(B) Eligible entities

Of the funds made available under this section or section 8316 of this title to carry out the National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program under subsection (b), not more than 10 percent may be retained by an eligible entity that receives funds under any agreement entered into under such subsection, including any sub-agreement under paragraph (7)(B) of such subsection to pay administrative costs incurred by the eligible entity to carry out activities under the Program.

(4) Duration of availability

Funds made available under this subsection, including any proceeds credited under paragraph (5), shall remain available until expended.

(5) Proceeds from veterinary countermeasures sales

Any proceeds of a sale of veterinary countermeasures from the Vaccine Bank shall be—

(A) deposited into the Treasury of the United States; and

(B) credited to the account for the operation of the Vaccine Bank to be made available for expenditure without further appropriation.

(6) Limitations on use of funds for certain purposes

Funds made available under the National Animal Health Laboratory Network, the National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program, and the Vaccine Bank shall not be used for the construction of a new building or facility or the acquisition or expansion of an existing building or facility, including site grading and improvement and architect fees.

(e) Availability and purpose of funding

(1) In general

Using the funds made available under subsection (d), the Secretary of Agriculture shall offer to enter into contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or other legal instruments under subsections (a) through (c) during each of the fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

(2) Effect

Nothing in paragraph (1) shall be construed to terminate a contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or other legal instrument entered into during the period specified in such paragraph.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10409A, as added Pub. L. 113–79, title XII, §12105, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 980; amended Pub. L. 115–334, title XII, §12101(b)–(d), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4937–4940; Pub. L. 119–21, title I, §10607(a), July 4, 2025, 139 Stat. 110.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(5), is Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, which was set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, and was substantially repealed and restated in chapter 10 (§1001 et seq.) of Title 5 by Pub. L. 117–286, §§3(a), 7, Dec. 27, 2022, 136 Stat. 4197, 4361. For disposition of sections of the Act into chapter 10 of Title 5, see Disposition Table preceding section 101 of Title 5.

Amendments

2025—Subsec. (d)(1)(B). Pub. L. 119–21, §10607(a)(1), substituted "Fiscal years 2023 through 2025" for "Subsequent fiscal years" in heading and "each of fiscal years 2023 through 2025" for "fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter" in text.

Subsec. (d)(1)(C), (D). Pub. L. 119–21, §10607(a)(2), added subpars. (C) and (D).

2018—Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(b)(1), substituted "Animal disease prevention and management" for "National animal health laboratory network" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(b)(2), (4), substituted "National Animal Health Laboratory Network" for "Definition of eligible laboratory" in heading, inserted par. (1) designation and heading and substituted "In this subsection," for "In this section,", redesignated subsecs. (b) and (c) as pars. (2) and (3), respectively, and realigned margins.

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(b)(3)(B), redesignated pars. (1) to (3) of former subsec. (b) as subpars. (A) to (C), respectively, and realigned margins.

Subsec. (a)(2)(B). Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(b)(3)(A), redesignated subpars. (A) to (E) of former subsec. (b)(2) as cls. (i) to (v), respectively, and realigned margins.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(b)(5), added subsec. (b). Former subsec. (b) redesignated (a)(2).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(c), added subsec. (c). Former subsec. (c) redesignated (a)(3).

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 115–334, §12101(d), added subsecs. (d) and (e) and struck out former subsec. (d) which authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section $15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2018.

[1] *See References in Text note below.*

§8309. Veterinary accreditation program

(a) In general

The Secretary may establish a veterinary accreditation program that is consistent with this chapter, including the establishment of standards of conduct for accredited veterinarians.

(b) Consultation

The Secretary shall consult with State animal health officials and veterinary professionals regarding the establishment of the veterinary accreditation program.

(c) Suspension or revocation of accreditation

(1) In general

The Secretary may, after notice and opportunity for a hearing on the record, suspend or revoke the accreditation of any veterinarian accredited under this title [1] who violates this chapter.

(2) Final order

The order of the Secretary suspending or revoking accreditation shall be treated as a final order reviewable under chapter 158 of title 28.

(3) Summary suspension

(A) In general

The Secretary may summarily suspend the accreditation of a veterinarian whom the Secretary has reason to believe knowingly violated this chapter.

(B) Hearings

The Secretary shall provide the veterinarian with a subsequent notice and an opportunity for a prompt post-suspension hearing on the record.

(d) Application of penalty provisions

The criminal and civil penalties described in section 8313 of this title shall not apply to a violation of this section that is not a violation of any other provision of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10410, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 501.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

This title, referred to in subsec. (c)(1), is title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 486. For complete classification of title X to the Code, see Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

[1] *See References in Text note below.*

§8310. Cooperation

(a) In general

To carry out this chapter, the Secretary may cooperate with other Federal agencies, States or political subdivisions of States, national governments of foreign countries, local governments of foreign countries, domestic or international organizations, domestic or international associations, Indian tribes, and other persons.

(b) Responsibility

The person or other entity cooperating with the Secretary shall be responsible for the authority necessary to carry out operations or measures—

(1) on all land and property within a foreign country or State, or under the jurisdiction of an Indian tribe, other than on land and property owned or controlled by the United States; and

(2) using other facilities and means, as determined by the Secretary.

(c) Screwworms

(1) In general

The Secretary may, independently or in cooperation with national governments of foreign countries or international organizations or associations, produce and sell sterile screwworms to any national government of a foreign country or international organization or association, if the Secretary determines that the livestock industry and related industries of the United States will not be adversely affected by the production and sale.

(2) Proceeds

(A) Independent production and sale

If the Secretary independently produces and sells sterile screwworms under paragraph (1), the proceeds of the sale shall be—

(i) deposited into the Treasury of the United States; and

(ii) credited to the account from which the operating expenses of the facility producing the sterile screwworms have been paid.

(B) Cooperative production and sale

(i) In general

If the Secretary cooperates to produce and sell sterile screwworms under paragraph (1), the proceeds of the sale shall be divided between the United States and the cooperating national government or international organization or association in a manner determined by the Secretary.

(ii) Account

The United States portion of the proceeds shall be—

(I) deposited into the Treasury of the United States; and

(II) credited to the account from which the operating expenses of the facility producing the sterile screwworms have been paid.

(d) Cooperation in program administration

The Secretary may cooperate with State authorities, Indian tribe authorities, or other persons in the administration of regulations for the improvement of livestock and livestock products.

(e) Consultation and coordination with other Federal agencies

(1) In general

The Secretary shall consult and coordinate with the head of a Federal agency with respect to any activity that is under the jurisdiction of the Federal agency.

(2) Lead agency

Subject to the consultation and coordination requirement in paragraph (1), the Department of Agriculture shall be the lead agency with respect to issues related to pests and diseases of livestock.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10411, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 502.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

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§8311. Reimbursable agreements

(a) Authority to enter into agreements

The Secretary may enter into reimbursable fee agreements with persons for preclearance of animals or articles at locations outside the United States for movement into the United States.

(b) Funds collected for preclearance

Funds collected for preclearance activities—

(1) may be collected in advance of the provision of such activities;

(2) shall be credited as offsetting collections to the currently applicable appropriation, account, or fund of U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(3) shall remain available until expended;

(4) shall be available for the purposes for which such appropriation, account, or fund is authorized to be used; and

(5) may be collected and shall be available only to the extent provided in appropriations Acts.

(c) Payment of employees

(1) In general

Notwithstanding any other law, the Secretary may pay an officer or employee of the Department of Agriculture performing services under this chapter relating to imports into and exports from the United States for all overtime, night, or holiday work performed by the officer or employee at a rate of pay determined by the Secretary.

(2) Reimbursement

(A) In general

The Secretary may require a person for whom the services are performed to reimburse the Secretary for any expenses paid by the Secretary for the services under this subsection.

(B) Use of funds

All funds collected under this subsection shall—

(i) be credited to the account that incurs the costs; and

(ii) remain available until expended, without fiscal year limitation.

(d) Late payment penalties

(1) Collection

On failure by a person to reimburse the Secretary in accordance with this section, the Secretary may assess a late payment penalty against the person, including interest on overdue funds, as required by section 3717 of title 31.

(2) Use of funds

Any late payment penalty and any accrued interest shall—

(A) be credited to the account that incurs the costs; and

(B) remain available until expended, without fiscal year limitation.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10412, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 503; Pub. L. 114–125, title VIII, §818(b), Feb. 24, 2016, 130 Stat. 222.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (c)(1), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Amendments

2016—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 114–125 amended subsec. (b) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "Funds collected for preclearance activities shall—

"(1) be credited to accounts that may be established by the Secretary for carrying out this section; and

"(2) remain available until expended for the preclearance activities, without fiscal year limitation."

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8312. Administration and claims

(a) Administration

To carry out this chapter, the Secretary may—

(1) acquire and maintain real or personal property;

(2) employ a person;

(3) make a grant; and

(4) notwithstanding chapter 63 of title 31, enter into a contract, cooperative agreement, memorandum of understanding, or other agreement.

(b) Tort claims

(1) In general

Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary may pay a tort claim, in the manner authorized by the first paragraph of section 2672 of title 28, if the claim arises outside the United States in connection with an activity authorized under this chapter.

(2) Requirements

A claim may not be allowed under this subsection unless the claim is presented in writing to the Secretary not later than 2 years after the date on which the claim arises.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10413, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 503.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b)(1), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

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§8313. Penalties

(a) Criminal penalties

(1) Offenses

(A) In general

A person that knowingly violates this chapter, or knowingly forges, counterfeits, or, without authority from the Secretary, uses, alters, defaces, or destroys any certificate, permit, or other document provided for in this chapter shall be fined under title 18, imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

(B) Distribution or sale

A person that knowingly imports, enters, exports, or moves any animal or article, for distribution or sale, in violation of this chapter, shall be fined under title 18, imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both.

(2) Multiple violations

On the second and any subsequent conviction of a person of a violation of this chapter under paragraph (1), the person shall be fined under title 18, imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both.

(b) Civil penalties

(1) In general

Except as provided in section 8309(d) of this title, any person that violates this chapter, or that forges, counterfeits, or, without authority from the Secretary, uses, alters, defaces, or destroys any certificate, permit, or other document provided under this chapter may, after notice and opportunity for a hearing on the record, be assessed a civil penalty by the Secretary that does not exceed the greater of—

(A)(i) $50,000 in the case of any individual, except that the civil penalty may not exceed $1,000 in the case of an initial violation of this chapter by an individual moving regulated articles not for monetary gain;

(ii) $250,000 in the case of any other person for each violation; and

(iii) for all violations adjudicated in a single proceeding—

(I) $500,000 if the violations do not include a willful violation; or

(II) $1,000,000 if the violations include 1 or more willful violations.

(B) twice the gross gain or gross loss for any violation or forgery, counterfeiting, or unauthorized use, alteration, defacing or destruction of a certificate, permit, or other document provided under this chapter that results in the person's deriving pecuniary gain or causing pecuniary loss to another person.

(2) Factors in determining civil penalty

In determining the amount of a civil penalty, the Secretary shall take into account the nature, circumstance, extent, and gravity of the violation or violations and the Secretary may consider, with respect to the violator—

(A) the ability to pay;

(B) the effect on ability to continue to do business;

(C) any history of prior violations;

(D) the degree of culpability; and

(E) such other factors as the Secretary considers to be appropriate.

(3) Settlement of civil penalties

The Secretary may compromise, modify, or remit, with or without conditions, any civil penalty that may be assessed under this subsection.

(4) Finality of orders

(A) Final order

The order of the Secretary assessing a civil penalty shall be treated as a final order reviewable under chapter 158 of title 28.

(B) Review

The validity of the order of the Secretary may not be reviewed in an action to collect the civil penalty.

(C) Interest

Any civil penalty not paid in full when due under an order assessing the civil penalty shall thereafter accrue interest until paid at the rate of interest applicable to civil judgments of the courts of the United States.

(c) Liability for acts of agents

In the construction and enforcement of this chapter, the act, omission, or failure of any officer, agent, or person acting for or employed by any other person within the scope of the employment or office of the officer, agent, or person, shall be deemed also to be the act, omission, or failure of the other person.

(d) Guidelines for civil penalties

Subject to the approval of the Attorney General, the Secretary shall establish guidelines to determine under what circumstances the Secretary may issue a civil penalty or suitable notice of warning in lieu of prosecution by the Attorney General of a violation of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10414, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 504; Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11012(a), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11012(a), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2122.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 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.

Amendments

2008—Subsec. (b)(1)(A)(iii). Pub. L. 110–246, §11012(a), added cl. (iii) and struck out former cl. (iii) which read as follows: "$500,000 for all violations adjudicated in a single proceeding; or".

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.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8314. Enforcement

(a) Collection of information

(1) In general

The Secretary may gather and compile information and conduct any inspection or investigation that the Secretary considers to be necessary for the administration or enforcement of this chapter.

(2) Subpoenas

(A) In general

The Secretary shall have the power to subpoena the attendance and testimony of any witness, the production of all evidence (including books, papers, documents, electronically stored information, and other tangible things that constitute or contain evidence), or to require the person to whom the subpoena is directed to permit the inspection of premises relating to the administration or enforcement of this chapter [1] or any matter under investigation in connection with this chapter.[1]

(B) Location of production

The attendance of any witness and production of evidence relevant to the inquiry may be required from any place in the United States.

(C) Enforcement

(i) In general

In case of disobedience to a subpoena by any person, the Secretary may request the Attorney General to invoke the aid of any court of the United States within the jurisdiction in which the investigation is conducted, or where the person resides, is found, transacts business, is licensed to do business, or is incorporated, to require the attendance and testimony of any witness, the production of evidence, or the inspection of premises.

(ii) Noncompliance

In case of a refusal to obey a subpoena issued to any person, a court may order the person to appear before the Secretary and give evidence concerning the matter in question, produce evidence, or permit the inspection of premises.

(iii) Contempt

Any failure to obey the order of the court may be punished by the court as contempt of the court.

(D) Compensation

(i) Witnesses

A witness summoned by the Secretary under this chapter shall be paid the same fees and mileage that are paid to a witness in a court of the United States.

(ii) Depositions

A witness whose deposition is taken, and the person taking the deposition, shall be entitled to the same fees that are paid for similar services in a court of the United States.

(E) Procedures

(i) Publication

The Secretary shall publish procedures for the issuance of subpoenas under this section.

(ii) Review

The procedures shall include a requirement that subpoenas be reviewed for legal sufficiency and, to be effective, be signed by the Secretary.

(iii) Delegation

If the authority to sign a subpoena is delegated to an agency other than the Office of Administrative Law Judges, the agency receiving the delegation shall seek review of the subpoena for legal sufficiency outside that agency.

(b) Authority of Attorney General

The Attorney General may—

(1) prosecute, in the name of the United States, all criminal violations of this chapter that are referred to the Attorney General by the Secretary or are brought to the notice of the Attorney General by any person;

(2) bring an action to enjoin the violation of or to compel compliance with this chapter, or to enjoin any interference by any person with the Secretary in carrying out this chapter, in any case in which the Secretary has reason to believe that the person has violated, or is about to violate this chapter or has interfered, or is about to interfere, with the actions of the Secretary; or

(3) bring an action for the recovery of any unpaid civil penalty, funds under a reimbursable agreement, late payment penalty, or interest assessed under this chapter.

(c) Court jurisdiction

(1) In general

The United States district courts, the District Court of Guam, the District Court of the Northern Mariana Islands, the District Court of the Virgin Islands, the highest court of American Samoa, and the United States courts of the other territories and possessions are vested with jurisdiction in all cases arising under this chapter.

(2) Venue

Any action arising under this chapter may be brought, and process may be served, in the judicial district where a violation or interference occurred or is about to occur, or where the person charged with the violation, interference, impending violation, impending interference, or failure to pay resides, is found, transacts business, is licensed to do business, or is incorporated.

(3) Exception

Paragraphs (1) and (2) do not apply to sections 8309(c) and 8313(b) of this title.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10415, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 505; Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11012(b), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11012(b), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2122.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a)(2)(A), was in the original "this title", and was translated as reading "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

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—Subsec. (a)(2)(A). Pub. L. 110–246, §11012(b)(1), added subpar. (A) and struck out former subpar. (A). Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "The Secretary shall have power to issue a subpoena to compel the attendance and testimony of any witness and the production of any documentary evidence relating to the administration or enforcement of this chapter or any matter under investigation in connection with this chapter."

Subsec. (a)(2)(B). Pub. L. 110–246, §11012(b)(2), struck out "documentary" before "evidence".

Subsec. (a)(2)(C)(i). Pub. L. 110–246, §11012(b)(3)(A), substituted "testimony of any witness, the production of evidence, or the inspection of premises" for "testimony of any witness and the production of documentary evidence".

Subsec. (a)(2)(C)(ii). Pub. L. 110–246, §11012(b)(3)(B), substituted "question, produce evidence, or permit the inspection of premises" for "question or to produce documentary evidence".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of

related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

[1] *See References in Text note below.*

§8315. Regulations and orders

The Secretary may promulgate such regulations, and issue such orders, as the Secretary determines necessary to carry out this chapter.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10416, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 507.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8316. Authorization of appropriations

(a) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this chapter.

(b) Transfer of funds

(1) In general

In connection with an emergency under which a pest or disease of livestock threatens any segment of agricultural production in the United States, the Secretary may transfer from other appropriations or funds available to the agencies or corporations of the Department of Agriculture such funds as the Secretary determines are necessary for the arrest, control, eradication, or prevention of the spread of the pest or disease of livestock and for related expenses.

(2) Availability

Any funds transferred under this subsection shall remain available until expended, without fiscal year limitation.

(3) Reviewability

The action of any officer, employee, or agent of the Secretary in carrying out this section (including determining the amount of and making any payment authorized to be made under this chapter) shall not be subject to review by any officer or employee of the Federal Government other than the Secretary or the designee of the Secretary.

(c) Use of funds

In carrying out this chapter, the Secretary may use funds made available to carry out this chapter for—

(1) the employment of civilian nationals in foreign countries; and

(2) the construction and operation of research laboratories, quarantine stations, and other buildings and facilities for special purposes.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10417, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 507; Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11011(3), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11011(3), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2122.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of subtitle E to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 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.

Amendments

2008—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 110–246, §11011(3), struck out "of longer than 60 days" after "review".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8317. Effect on regulations

A regulation issued under a provision of law repealed by subsection (a) shall remain in effect until the Secretary issues a regulation under section 8303(b) or 8315 of this title that supersedes the earlier regulation.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10418(c), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 509.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

Subsection (a), referred to in text, means section 10418(a) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 507, which repealed sections 429, 2260, and 2260a of this title, section 1306 of Title 19, Customs Duties, sections 102 to 105, 111, 112, 113, 114 to 114d–1, 114e to 114h, 115 to 131, 134 to 135b, and 612 to 614 of Title 21, Food and Drugs, sections 3901 and 3902 of Title 46, Shipping, and provisions set out as a note under section 129a of Title 21.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to agricultural import and entry inspection activities under this chapter to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 231, 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§8318. Veterinary training

The Secretary of Agriculture may develop a program to maintain in all regions of the United States a sufficient number of Federal and State veterinarians and veterinary teams, including those based at colleges of veterinary medicine, who are well trained in recognition and diagnosis of exotic and endemic animal diseases and who are capable of providing effective services before, during, and after emergencies.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10504, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 510; Pub. L. 115–334, title XII, §12106, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4943.)

Editorial Notes

Codification

Section was not enacted as part of the Animal Health Protection Act which comprises this chapter.

Amendments

2018—Pub. L. 115–334 inserted "and veterinary teams, including those based at colleges of veterinary medicine," before "who are well trained" and "and who are capable of providing effective services before, during, and after emergencies" before period at end.

§8319. Surveillance of zoonotic diseases

The Secretary of Health and Human Services, through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs and the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall coordinate the surveillance of zoonotic diseases.

(Pub. L. 107–188, title III, §313, June 12, 2002, 116 Stat. 674.)

Editorial Notes

Codification

Section was enacted as part of the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, and not as part of the Animal Health Protection Act which comprises this chapter.

§8320. Expansion of Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service activities

(a) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this section as the "Secretary") may utilize existing authorities to give high priority to enhancing and expanding the capacity of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to conduct activities to—

(1) increase the inspection capacity of the Service at international points of origin;

(2) improve surveillance at ports of entry and customs;

(3) enhance methods of protecting against the introduction of plant and animal disease organisms by terrorists;

(4) develop new and improve existing strategies and technologies for dealing with intentional outbreaks of plant and animal disease arising from acts of terrorism or from unintentional introduction, including—

(A) establishing cooperative agreements among Veterinary Services of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, State animal health commissions and regulatory agencies for livestock and poultry health, and private veterinary practitioners to enhance the preparedness and ability of Veterinary Services and the commissions and agencies to respond to outbreaks of such animal diseases; and

(B) strengthening planning and coordination with State and local agencies, including—

(i) State animal health commissions and regulatory agencies for livestock and poultry health; and

(ii) State agriculture departments; and

(5) otherwise improve the capacity of the Service to protect against the threat of bioterrorism.

(b) Automated recordkeeping system

The Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service may implement a central automated recordkeeping system to provide for the reliable tracking of the status of animal and plant shipments, including those shipments on hold at ports of entry and customs. The Secretary shall ensure that such a system shall be fully accessible to or fully integrated with the Food Safety Inspection Service.

(c) Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $30,000,000 for fiscal year 2002, and such sums as may be necessary for each subsequent fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107–188, title III, §331, June 12, 2002, 116 Stat. 678.)

Editorial Notes

Codification

Section was enacted as part of the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, and not as part of the Animal Health Protection Act which comprises this chapter.

§8321. Pest and Disease Response Fund

(a) Establishment

There is established on the books of the Treasury an account to be known as the "Pest and Disease Response Fund". There shall be deposited into the Fund any proceeds received by the Secretary of Agriculture as reimbursement for services provided by the Secretary using amounts in the Fund.

(b) Availability

Amounts in the Fund shall remain available until expended.

(c) Use of Fund

In implementing the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 et seq.) and the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701 et seq.), the Secretary of Agriculture shall have complete discretion regarding the use of amounts in the Fund to support emergency eradication and research activities in response to economic and health threats posed by pests and diseases affecting agricultural commodities.

(d) Authorization of appropriations

For each of the fiscal years 2005 through 2009, there is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Agriculture $1,000,000 for deposit in the Fund.

(Pub. L. 108–465, title IV, §401, Dec. 21, 2004, 118 Stat. 3886.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

The Animal Health Protection Act, referred to in subsec. (c), is subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

The Plant Protection Act, referred to in subsec. (c), is title IV of Pub. L. 106–224, June 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 438, which is classified principally to chapter 104 (§7701 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 7701 of this title and Tables.

Codification

Section was enacted as part of the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004, and not as part of the Animal Health Protection Act which comprises this chapter.

§8322. National aquatic animal health plan

(a) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture may enter into a cooperative agreement with an eligible entity to carry out a project under a national aquatic animal health plan under the authority of the Secretary under section 10411 of the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8310) for the purpose of detecting, controlling, or eradicating diseases of aquaculture species and promoting species-specific best management practices.

(b) Cooperative agreements between eligible entities and the Secretary

(1) Duties

As a condition of entering into a cooperative agreement with the Secretary under this section, an eligible entity shall agree to—

(A) assume responsibility for the non-Federal share of the cost of carrying out the project under the national aquatic health plan, as determined by the Secretary in accordance with paragraph (2); and

(B) act in accordance with applicable disease and species specific best management practices relating to activities to be carried out under such project.

(2) Non-Federal share

The Secretary shall determine the non-Federal share of the cost of carrying out a project under the national aquatic health plan on a case-by-case basis for each such project. Such non-Federal share may be provided in cash or in-kind.

(c) Applicability of other laws

In carrying out this section, the Secretary may make use of the authorities under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 et seq.), including the authority to carry out operations and measures to detect, control, and eradicate pests and diseases and the authority to pay claims arising out of the destruction of any animal, article, or means of conveyance.

(d) Eligible entity defined

In this section, the term "eligible entity" means a State, a political subdivision of a State, Indian tribe, or other appropriate entity, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

(Pub. L. 110–234, title XI, §11013, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1361; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title XI, §11013, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2122; Pub. L. 113–79, title XII, §12103, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 979; Pub. L. 115–334, title XII, §12105, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4943.)

Editorial Notes

References in Text

The Animal Health Protection Act, referred to in subsec. (c), is subtitle E (§§10401–10418) of title X of Pub. L. 107–171, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 494, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 8301 of this title and Tables.

Codification

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110–234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246.

Section was enacted as part of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008, and not as part of the Animal Health Protection Act, which in part comprises this chapter.

Amendments

2018—Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 115–334 redesignated subsec. (e) as (d) and struck out former subsec. (d). Prior to amendment, text of subsec. (d) read as follows: "There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2018."

2014—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113–79 substituted "2018" for "2012".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Effective Date

Enactment 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 a note under section 8701 of this title.