
Framework Act on Agriculture and Rural Community

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CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1 (Purpose)

The purpose of this Act is to develop agriculture and rural communities, the foundation of the nation and its economy, by prescribing the basic directions of the agriculture and rural communities and the basic aspects of Government policy.

Article 2 (Basic Principle)

The basic principle underlying this Act shall be that agriculture is a basic industry which is conducive to the economy and well-being of the general public by performing such functions as ensuring the stable supply of food and contributing to preserving the environment of the national territory. As such, agriculture shall serve as the foundation for the well-balanced development of the economy, farmers shall be assisted in their effort to earn equitably with those working in other industries on the basis of independence and creativity, and rural communities shall become an affluent working and living space, the unique tradition and culture of which shall be fostered and handed down to posterity.

Article 3 (Definitions)

For the purpose of this Act, the definitions of terms shall be as follows:

- 1.The term "agriculture" means agricultural production, livestock farming, forestry and such other related industries as prescribed by the Presidential Decree;
- 2.The term "farmer" means a person who works in the agriculture and comes to fall the standard prescribed by the Presidential Decree;
- 3.The term "agricultural management entity" means a farmer, a farming association corporation under [Article 15](#), and an agricultural corporation under [Article 16](#);
- 4.The term "producers' organization" means an independent organization of farmers as prescribed by the Presidential Decree, the purpose of which is the promotion of agricultural production and the protection of farmers' rights;

5.The term "rural communities" means any areas in Gun and Si which are prescribed by the Presidential Decree; and

6.The term "agricultural product" means products of agricultural activities such as agricultural products, livestock products, forestry products and any other products prescribed by the Presidential Decree.

Article 4 (Duty of State, Local Government and Farmers)

(1) It shall be the duty of the State and local governments to establish and execute comprehensive policies for the stable growth and development of agriculture and the development of rural communities.

(2) Farmers, as leaders of the development of agriculture and rural communities, shall endeavor to ensure the stable production and supply of safe products of high quality and to realize production enhancement and management innovation, thereby contributing to the development of the nation.

(3) Consumers shall enhance the understanding of the agriculture and rural communities, and positively endeavor for the sound living of consuming food and agricultural products. <Newly Inserted by Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

CHAPTER II BASIC DIRECTION OF THE POLICY ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Article 5 (Basic Principles Underlying Establishment and Execution of Policy)

The State and local governments shall pursue efficiency on the basis of market principles in the establishment and execution of agricultural policies, taking into consideration the role of agriculture in serving the public interest.

Article 6 (Stable Supply of Food for General Public)

The State and local governments shall be aware that the stable supply of food for the public is an essential factor for sound development of the nation and stability in the lives of the public, and shall therefore establish and maintain an appropriate level of food self-sufficiency for the public and strive to secure a sufficient stock of food.

Article 7 (Facilitation of Restructuring in Agriculture)

The State and local governments shall endeavor to comprehensively improve the agricultural structure including production and distribution therein, so as to enhance agricultural competitiveness and increase the income of farmers.

Article 8 (Development of Rural Communities and Improvement of Social Welfare)

(1) The State and local governments shall strive to develop rural communities as a living space well-connected to the urban areas in order to improve the amenities in rural

communities.

(2) The State and local governments shall endeavor to preserve and hand down the unique tradition and culture of the rural communities and work toward improving the welfare of the residents in rural communities.

Article 9 (Fostering Environmentally Friendly Agriculture)

The State and local governments shall strengthen the role of agriculture in preserving the environment, and foster environmentally friendly and sustainable agriculture in order to promote the production and consumption of safe agricultural products.

Article 10 (Agricultural Policies in Preparation of Unification)

(1) The Government shall, in preparation for the unification of the Korean peninsula, investigate and study the agricultural production system, farmland, and agricultural product distribution system in North Korea.

(2) The Government shall recognize that inter-Korean agricultural trade is an internal transaction between the same people, and shall strive to enhance mutual exchange and cooperation between the Southern and the Northern part of Korea in the agricultural sector.

CHAPTER III RESTRUCTURING AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY

SECTION 1 Fostering Agricultural Manpower

Article 11 (Managerial Stability of Household Farming)

The State shall establish and execute policies necessary for optimum scale production, specialization, and collective production which are appropriate for the unique features of each agricultural household, in order to improve the productivity and managerial stability of household farming, the main workforce of which are members of the family.

Article 12 (Fostering of Successors of Agribusiness Operators)

(1) The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry shall, as a measure to ensure a continuous supply of agricultural manpower, select persons who are working or are willing to work in the agriculture as the successors of agribusiness operators in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and provide them with support necessary to have them engaged exclusively in agriculture. <Amended by Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

(2) The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry may develop and implement policy steps to provide the successors of agribusiness operators selected under paragraph (1) with financial support and to conduct educational programs on farming and management techniques, etc. for them in order to ensure their sustained development. <Newly Inserted by Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

Article 13 (Fostering Specialized Agricultural Manpower)

The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry shall select and support persons specializing in agricultural skills and management who may play a leading and central role in the development of the agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

Article 14 (Fostering Female Farmers)

The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for the enhancement of the status and specialization of the female agricultural workforce, such as expanding the participation of women in the establishment and execution of agricultural policies.

Article 15 (Fostering Farming Association Corporation)

(1) Farmers who wish to enhance productivity through cooperative agricultural management and deliver, process, and export agricultural products jointly with other farmers may establish a farming association corporation constituting 5 members or more.

(2) A farming association corporation shall be a juristic person, and shall be established upon registration for incorporation in the location of the main office.

(3) A farming association corporation shall have as its members such farmers and agricultural producers' organizations as prescribed by the articles of association. However, such persons who are not members of the association as prescribed by the Presidential Decree may join the association as a quasi-member who may invest in the farming association corporation without voting rights in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association.

(4) A farming association corporation may join any such producers' organization as prescribed by the Presidential Decree as a full-fledged or quasi-member.

(5) The provisions of [Article 176 of the Commercial Act](#) shall apply mutatis mutandis with regard to the order to dissolve a farming association corporation. In this case, the head of Si/Gun/autonomous Gu may apply to a court for dissolution of the farming association corporation. <Amended by Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

(6) Matters regarding the establishment, investment, business, entries of the articles of association, and dissolution of a farming association corporation shall be prescribed by the provisions of the Presidential Decree.

(7) The provisions of [Articles 192, 193](#) and [197](#) through [202 of the Non-Contentious Case Litigation Procedure Act](#) shall apply mutatis mutandis to the registration of every farming association corporation except matters provided for in this Act. <Newly Inserted by Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

(8) The provisions governing associations of the [Civil Act](#) shall apply mutatis mutandis to every farming association corporation except matters provided for in this Act. <Newly Inserted by Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

Article 16 (Fostering Agricultural Corporation)

(1) Persons who wish to manage the agriculture in the enterprise way or distribute, process, and sell agricultural products, or wish to conduct agricultural works on behalf of farmers, may establish an agricultural corporation in accordance with the provisions of the Presidential Decree.

(2) Persons who are qualified to establish an agricultural corporation shall be farmers or agricultural producers' organizations. However, persons who are not farmers may invest in an agricultural corporation within the scope determined by the Presidential Decree.

(3) The provisions of [Article 15](#) (4) and (5) shall apply mutatis mutandis with regard to agricultural corporations.

(4) Matters regarding the establishment, investment of the agricultural corporations, and incidental business, etc., shall be determined by the Presidential Decree.

(5) Except as prescribed by this Act, the provisions of the [Commercial Act](#) regarding the corporation shall apply mutatis mutandis to agricultural corporations.

Article 17 (Managerial Renovation and Financial Support for Farmers)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for consultation, advice, training and education, and provision of information for agricultural management in order that farmers may continuously increase their income through managerial reform.

(2) The Government may give financial support for the agricultural sector to agricultural management entities, considering their business plans, standard of technology, and management ability.

Article 18 (Fostering Agriculture-related Organizations)

The State and local governments may support the establishment and operation of agriculture-related organizations such as producers' organizations and farmers' organizations, etc., in order to protect the rights and interests of farmers and encourage their economic activities.

SECTION 2 Use and Preservation of Farmland

Article 19 (Basic Principles Regarding Farmland)

Farmland shall be used and preserved with care because it serves as the foundation for the stable supply of food for the public and the preservation of the environment, and is a valuable resource affecting the harmonious development of agriculture and the national economy.

Article 20 (Ownership and Use of Farmland)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies regarding the ownership of farmland in order that the principle "farmers owning their own land" as provided in the Constitution may be realized.

(2) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for promoting the use of farmland in order that they may be used efficiently in developing agriculture in line with the development of the national economy.

Article 21 (Preservation of Farmland)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for the preservation of farmland in order that a desirable size of farmland may be maintained.

(2) The State and local governments shall, in the establishment and execution of policies under the provisions of paragraph (1), take measures to ensure that parcels of farmland of high quality for which agricultural production infrastructure is fully arranged or which exist collectively are preferentially preserved.

SECTION 3 Advancement in the Agricultural Production Structure

Article 22 (Arrangement of Agricultural Production Infrastructure)

The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for the arrangement of agricultural production infrastructures in order that continuous and stable agricultural production capacity may be maintained.

Article 23 (Optimization of Scale of Agricultural Management and Acceleration of Agricultural Management Assets Mobilization)

The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for optimizing the scale of agricultural management and mobilizing assets in order to promote agricultural productivity and the stability of the farmers' incomes.

Article 24 (Facilitation of Agricultural Mechanization, etc.)

The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies for the facilitation of research, development, supply, and training for the use of agricultural machinery, materials, and facilities in order to attain cost-reduction and enhanced productivity.

Article 25 (Development of Agricultural Science and Technology)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute comprehensive policies for the development of agricultural science and technology, such as policies regarding research, development, and supply, etc., of advanced agricultural science and technology and practical agricultural skills for the modernization and advancement of agriculture.

(2) Matters necessary for the establishment and execution of plans under the provisions of paragraph (1) shall be determined by the Presidential Decree.

Article 26 (Fostering Agricultural Venture Businesses, etc.)

The State and local governments may support and foster agricultural venture businesses in order to encourage the development and supply of advanced agricultural science and technology as well as farming and managerial know-how, and increase the added value of the agricultural industry by systematically networking the agricultural sector with related businesses.

Article 27 (Protection of Intellectual Property Rights, etc.)

(1) The Government shall establish and execute policies for the protection of tangible and intangible intellectual property rights in sectors related to agriculture such as genetically manipulated agricultural goods, farming skills, and trademarks, etc.

(2) The Government shall establish and execute policies for the protection of agricultural products and processed goods which bear the traditional features of a region in order to foster region-specific industries and protect consumers.

Article 28 (Informatization of Agriculture and Rural Communities)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for accelerating the informatization of agriculture and rural communities.

(2) The State and local governments may support persons such as those providing information relating to agriculture and rural communities in order to effectively execute the policies provided in paragraph (1). <Amended by Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

Article 29 (Projects for Development of Agricultural Technology)

(1) The Government may have agriculture-related research institutes and organizations, etc., conduct research for the development of agricultural technology in order to assist the swift development and supply of agriculture-related skills such as practical farming skills and agricultural production skills.

(2) The Government may extend financial support to research institutes or organizations, etc., related to agriculture that are conducting research under the provisions of paragraph (1).

CHAPTER IV STABILIZATION OF SUPPLY FOR AND DEMAND OF AGRICULTURAL GOODS AND MARKETING IMPROVEMENT

Article 30 (Stabilization of Supply, Demand and Price of Agricultural Goods)

(1) The Government may establish and execute policies necessary for the effective supply and stable price of agricultural products through agricultural observation, production coordination, buffer stock, and financing of funds for producers' organizations.

(2) The Government may provide necessary support for persons working in the agricultural sector, producers' organizations, or distributors of agricultural products in order to efficiently execute policies under the provisions of paragraph (1).

Article 31 (Improved Marketing of Agricultural Goods)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for the vitalization of distribution in production areas led by producers' organizations, securing diverse distribution facilities such as wholesale markets, joint markets, and distribution centers in areas of both production and consumption, and to improve the operation of such facilities.

(2) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for facilitating the standardizing of distribution, such as packaging and standardizing agricultural products, etc., and the collection and provision of diverse information on distribution as well as for providing education on distribution.

Article 32 (Quality Control of Agricultural Products, etc.)

(1) The Government shall establish and execute policies to improve the quality of agricultural products and to protect consumers through the marking of places of origin on agricultural goods and the quality control of agricultural products, etc.

(2) The Government shall establish and execute policies for the protection of public health and the agricultural environment through measures such as quarantine and sanitation inspections, etc., on exported or imported agricultural products as well as animals and plants.

Article 33 (Fostering Agricultural Goods Processing Industry)

The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for the parallel development of the agricultural industry and the food industry and the increased added value of agricultural products through research and development of agricultural processed goods and traditional foodstuffs as well as support for processing facilities.

CHAPTER V TRADE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Article 34 (International Trade and Cooperation)

(1) The Government shall establish and execute comprehensive policies for agricultural trade that will protect the rights and interests of Korea.

(2) The Government shall make concerted efforts for the advancement of international cooperation in the agricultural sector by collecting information regarding agricultural policies, exchanging agricultural manpower and know-how, and participating in the activities of

international agricultural organizations.

(3) The Government may, in order to secure a stable supply of agricultural products, the import of which Korea relies heavily on, support efforts such as the investigation of investment conditions abroad.

Article 35 (Promotion of Agricultural Goods Export)

(1) The State and local governments shall establish and execute policies necessary for the promotion of exports of agricultural products and the dissemination of Korean food culture through making inroads into overseas markets and the collection and provision of trade information.

(2) The State and local governments may extend support to agricultural management entities, producers' organizations, and exporters of agricultural products within the scope consistent with international norms in order to efficiently promote measures under the provisions of paragraph (1).

Article 36 (Control of Agricultural Good Import)

Where the impact of increased imports is deemed sizable, the Government shall pursue appropriate measures within the scope permissible in international norms.

CHAPTER VI RURAL COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AND INCOME SUPPORT

Article 37 (Establishment of Rural Community Development Measures)

(1) The State and local governments shall, for the purpose of improving the quality of life of rural residents and developing national territory, establish and execute comprehensive rural community development measures considering regional features.

(2) The State and local governments shall, in the establishment of development measures under the provisions of paragraph (1), take the harmony between development and the preservation of national territory into account.

Article 38 (Promotion and Development of Industries of Rural Communities)

(1) The State and local governments shall, for the purpose of increasing farmers' incomes and vitalizing the agricultural economy, establish and implement policies necessary for creating industrial complexes, and fostering production complexes for local special goods and agriculture-related industries, such as the agricultural products processing industry in the rural communities.

(2) The State and local governments shall, for the purpose of inspiring the sound spirit of urban residents, expanding the interrelation between urban and rural communities, and increasing the income of rural residents, establish and implement policies necessary for developing green tourism accentuated by regional characteristics and exploiting potential

resorts.

(3) The State and local governments may, for attaining the objectives in paragraph (2), give support necessary for establishing and operating facilities for regional culture and holding cultural events, etc.

Article 39 (Support to Farmers for Income Stabilization)

The Government shall, if deemed necessary for stabilizing the income and farming management of farmers, give them support falling under one of the following subparagraphs:

- 1.Support to small-scale farmers, etc.;
- 2.Support for environmental preservation such as soil;
- 3.Support for agricultural disasters;
- 4.Support for agricultural restructuring such as optimization of operational scale of farming;
- 5.Support for less-favored areas; and
- 6.Other support for income-earning activities which are not directly related to agricultural production.

Article 40 (Policies against Agricultural Disasters)

The Government shall, for the purpose of promoting farming stabilization and securing agricultural production, devise policies necessary for the prevention of and recovery from natural disasters such as drought, flood, and damage due to wind or cold weather, countermeasures, and insurance for agricultural damage caused by natural disasters, and a mutual aid system, etc.

Article 41

Deleted. <by Act No. 6589, Dec. 31, 2001>

CHAPTER VII PURSUIT OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Article 42 (Development Plans for Agriculture and Rural Communities)

(1) The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry shall work out a basic plan (hereinafter referred to as the "basic plan") on development of agricultural industry and communities for the improvement of agriculture and the balanced development of rural communities, and such basic plan shall contain the matters falling under each of the following subparagraphs:
<Amended by Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

- 1.Basic directions for policies on the development of agriculture and rural communities;
- 2.Adequate self-supporting objectives of food;

3. Definite contents of policies to be promoted by the Government in respect of agriculture and rural communities; and

4. Other matters necessary for the promotion of integrated and planned development of agriculture and rural communities.

(2) The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry shall, where he has devised the basic plan, without delay submit it to the National Assembly. <Newly Inserted by Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

(3) A Metropolitan City Mayor or Do governor (hereinafter referred to as the "Mayor/Do governor") shall work out and implement a Metropolitan City or Do agriculture and rural communities development plan (hereinafter referred to as the "City/Do plan"), taking into account the basic plan and the specific character of the areas under his jurisdiction. <Amended by Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

(4) The head of Si/Gun/autonomous Gu shall work out and implement a Si/Gun/Gu agriculture and rural communities development plan (hereinafter referred to as the "Si/Gun/Gu plan"), taking into account the City/Do plan and the specific character of the areas under his jurisdiction. <Amended by Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

(5) Matters necessary for working out and implementing the basic plan, City/Do plan and Si/Gun/Gu plan shall be prescribed by the Presidential Decree. <Amended by Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

Article 43 (Agricultural Administration Council)

(1) In order to deliberate upon the basic plan on the development of agriculture and rural communities, the City/Do plan, the Si/Gun/Gu plan, and other matters as deemed necessary to develop the agriculture and rural communities, a central agricultural administration council shall be formed at the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry; a City/Do agricultural administration council, at the City/Do; and a Si/Gun/Gu agricultural administration council, at the Si/Gun/autonomous Gu.

(2) Matters necessary for the composition and operation of each agricultural administration council shall be prescribed by the Presidential Decree.

Article 44 (Efficient Pursuit of Development Plans for Agriculture and Rural Communities)

(1) The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry shall, in order to efficiently pursue the basic plan, make efforts, when draw up a budget annually, so that the working expenses included in the basic plan may be preferentially reflected in the budget.

(2) The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry may preferentially assist the development plans for agriculture and rural communities of each local government with the budget of the Ministry according to the results appraised based on its relevancy to the basic plan, its achievements and results.

Article 45 (Annual Report on Agricultural Administration)

(1) The Government shall prepare a report annually on the trend of agriculture and rural communities and the policy of agricultural administration, etc., and submit it to the National Assembly after deliberation by the central agricultural administration council.

(2) The Mayor/Do governor and head of Si/Gun/autonomous Gu shall, respectively, prepare a report annually on the trend of agriculture and rural communities and the policy of the agricultural administration in the jurisdictional areas and submit it to the local council concerned after deliberation by the relevant agricultural administration council.

(3) The report under paragraphs (1) and (2) shall include the appraisal of every kind of agricultural policy, etc.

CHAPTER VIII SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

Article 46 (Assistance to Quasi-Agricultural Areas)

Agricultural development regions designated under the [Farmland Act](#) and limited development districts under the Urban Planning Act other than rural communities under subparagraph 5 of [Article 3](#) may be deemed to be agricultural areas to receive necessary support under the conditions prescribed by the Presidential Decree.

Article 47 (Reduction of and Exemption from Taxes)

The State or local governments may, in order to efficiently promote a project for the development of rural communities, conduct tax reduction or exemption under the conditions prescribed by the [Regulation of Tax Reduction and Exemption Act](#) and the [Local Tax Act](#).

Article 48 (Delegation of Authority, etc.)

(1) Part of the authority of the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry under this Act may be delegated to the Mayor/Do governor or head of Shi/Kun/autonomous Ku under the conditions prescribed by the Presidential Decree.

(2) Deleted. <by Act No. 6589, Dec. 31, 2001>

ADDENDA

Article 1 (Enforcement Date)

This Act shall enter into force on January 1, 2000.

Article 2 (Abrogation of Other Acts)

The following Acts are abrogated hereby:

1. The Framework Act on Agriculture;
2. The Price Maintenance of Agricultural Products Act; and
3. Agricultural and Fishery Products Export Promotion Act.

Article 3 (Transitional Measures for Successor to Farmer, etc.)

Any person who is selected as a successor to a farmer or person engaging in forestry under Article 4 of the former Act on the Special Measures for Development of Agricultural and Fishing Villages at the time this Act enters into force shall be deemed to be selected as a successor of farming under [Article 12](#).

Article 4 (Transitional Measures concerning Specialized Agricultural Manpower)

Any person who is selected as person specializing in agriculture under Article 3 of the former Act on the Special Measures for Development of Agricultural and Fishing Villages at the time this Act enters into force shall be deemed to be selected as person specializing in agriculture under [Article 13](#).

Article 5 (Transitional Measures concerning Farming Association Corporation)

A farming association corporation which is established under Article 6 of the former Act on the Special Measures for Development of Agricultural and Fishing Villages at the time this Act takes effect shall be deemed to be a farming association corporation established under [Article 15](#).

Article 6 (Transitional Measures concerning Agricultural Corporation)

An agricultural corporation which is established under Article 7 of the former Act on the Special Measures for Development of Agricultural and Fishing Villages at the time this Act takes effect shall be deemed to be an agricultural corporation established under [Article 16](#).

Article 7 (Transitional Measures concerning Charges for Farmland Conversion)

Charges for farmland conversion which are imposed or are to be imposed under Article 45-2 of the former Act on the Special Measures for Development of Agricultural and Fishing Villages at the time this Act enters into force shall be deemed charges for farmland conversion which are imposed or are to be imposed under [Article 41](#).

Article 8 (Transitional Measures concerning Public Notices, Dispositions, Orders, Designations, and Actions in Progress under Former Acts)

Any public notices, dispositions, orders, or designations made or other actions taken by administrative agencies, or various applications or reports made to or other actions taken toward administrative agencies, under the former Framework Act on Agriculture and Act on the Special Measures for Development of Agricultural and Fishing Villages before this Act enters into force, shall be deemed to be actions, etc., taken by or toward administrative

agencies under this Act, respectively.

Article 9 (Transitional Measures for Penal Provisions)

In the application of penal provisions to any violations of the provisions of the former Agricultural and Fishery Products Export Promotion Act committed before the entry into force of this Act, the provisions of the former Agricultural and Fishery Products Export Promotion Act shall prevail.

Article 10

Omitted.

Article 11 (Relations to Other Acts and Subordinate Statutes)

Where the provisions of the former Framework Act on Agriculture, Price Maintenance of Agricultural Products Act, and Agricultural and Fishery Products Export Promotion Act are cited by other Acts and subordinate statutes at the time this Act enters into force, this Act or the corresponding provisions of this Act, if any, shall be deemed to be cited in lieu of the previous provisions.

ADDENDUM <Act No. 6447, Mar. 28, 2001>

This Act shall enter into force on the date of its promulgation.

ADDENDA <Act No. 6589, Dec. 31, 2001>

Article 1 (Enforcement Date)

This Act shall enter into force on January 1, 2002. (Proviso Omitted.)

Articles 2 through 8

Omitted.

ADDENDA <Act No. 6997, Dec. 11, 2003>

Article 1 (Enforcement Date)

This Act shall enter into force on the date of its promulgation.

Article 2 (Transitional Measures concerning Successors of Farmers)

Any person who is selected as a successor of farmer under the previous provisions at the time of enforcement of this Act shall be deemed to be selected as a successor of agribusiness operator under the amended provisions of [Article 12](#) (1).

Article 3

Omitted.

Article 4 (Relations to Other Acts and Subordinate Statutes)

Where the successors of farming or the successors to farmers of the previous provisions are cited by other Acts and subordinate statutes at the time of enforcement of this Act, the successors of agribusiness operators of the amended provisions of [Article 12](#) (1) shall be deemed to be cited.