

license for, or impose any other restrictions upon the performance of any official inspection or weighing function under this chapter by official inspection personnel. Otherwise nothing in this chapter shall invalidate any law or other provision of any State or subdivision thereof in the absence of a conflict with this chapter.

(b) If any provision of this chapter or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the chapter and of the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. B, §18, as added Pub. L. 90-487, §1, Aug. 15, 1968, 82 Stat. 769; amended Pub. L. 94-582, §20, Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2886.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-582 substituted in first sentence “official inspection or weighing function” for “official inspection function”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-582 effective 30 days after Oct. 21, 1976, see section 27 of Pub. L. 94-582, as amended, set out as a note under section 74 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

For effective date of section, see section 2 of Pub. L. 90-487, set out as an Effective Date of 1968 Amendment note under section 78 of this title.

### § 87h. Appropriations

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary for standardization and compliance activities, monitoring in foreign ports grain officially inspected and weighed under this chapter, and any other expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter for each of the fiscal years 1988 through 2005, to the extent that financing is not obtained from fees and sales of samples as provided for in sections 79, 79a, 79b, 87e, and 87f-1 of this title.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. B, §19, as added Pub. L. 90-487, §1, Aug. 15, 1968, 82 Stat. 769; amended Pub. L. 94-582, §21, Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2886; Pub. L. 95-113, title XVI, §§1602(c), 1604(n), Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1025, 1029; Pub. L. 97-35, title I, §155(4), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 372; Pub. L. 98-469, §2(3), Oct. 11, 1984, 98 Stat. 1832; Pub. L. 100-518, §2(4), Oct. 24, 1988, 102 Stat. 2586; Pub. L. 103-156, §3, Nov. 24, 1993, 107 Stat. 1525; Pub. L. 106-472, title I, §108, Nov. 9, 2000, 114 Stat. 2060.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-472 substituted “2005” for “2000”.

1993—Pub. L. 103-156 substituted “1988 through 2000” for “during the period beginning October 1, 1988, and ending September 30, 1993” and inserted references to sections 79b and 87e of this title.

1988—Pub. L. 100-518 amended section generally, substituting “1988” for “1981” and “1993” for “1984”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-469 temporarily substituted “September 30, 1988” for “September 30, 1984”. See Effective and Termination Dates of 1984 Amendment note below.

1981—Pub. L. 97-35 temporarily amended section, substantially revising enumerated activities for which appropriations are authorized and limiting such authorization for each of the fiscal years during the period beginning Oct. 1, 1981, and ending Sept. 30, 1984. See Effective and Termination Dates of 1981 Amendment note below.

1977—Pub. L. 95-113 substituted “Federal administrative and supervisory costs related to the official inspection or the provision of weighing services for grain” for “those Federal administrative and supervisory costs incurred within the Service’s Washington office or not directly related to the official inspection or the provision of weighing services for grain” and renumbered this section as section 19 of the United States Grain Standards Act, thereby correcting an error in the 1976 amendment of this section by Pub. L. 94-582 under which this section had inadvertently been renumbered from section 19 of the United States Grain Standards Act to section 21 thereof.

1976—Pub. L. 94-582 enumerated specific items for which appropriations are authorized and provided for financing obtained from fees and sales of samples as provided in sections 79a and 87f-1 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-472 effective as if enacted Sept. 30, 2000, see section 111 of Pub. L. 106-472, set out as a note under section 79 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-156 effective as of Sept. 30, 1993, see section 16(b) of Pub. L. 103-156, set out as a note under section 75 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES OF 1988 AMENDMENT

That part of section 2 of Pub. L. 100-518 which provided that amendment made by Pub. L. 100-518 was effective for the period Oct. 1, 1988, through Sept. 30, 1993, inclusive, was repealed, effective Sept. 30, 1993, by Pub. L. 103-156, §§13(a), 16(b), Nov. 24, 1993, 107 Stat. 1529, 1530.

#### EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Section 2 of Pub. L. 98-469 provided that the amendment made by Pub. L. 98-469 is effective for period beginning Oct. 11, 1984, and ending Sept. 30, 1988.

#### EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Section 155 of Pub. L. 97-35, as amended by Pub. L. 98-469, §1, Oct. 11, 1984, 98 Stat. 1831, provided that the amendment made by Pub. L. 97-35 is effective for period beginning Oct. 1, 1981, and ending Sept. 30, 1988.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-113 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 1901 of Pub. L. 95-113, set out as a note under section 1307 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-582 effective 30 days after Oct. 21, 1976, see section 27 of Pub. L. 94-582, as amended, set out as a note under section 74 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

For effective date of section, see section 2 of Pub. L. 90-487, set out as an Effective Date of 1968 Amendment note under section 78 of this title.

### § 87i. Omitted

#### CODIFICATION

Section, act Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. B, §20, as added Aug. 13, 1981, Pub. L. 97-35, title I, §155(5), 95 Stat. 372, which established an advisory committee, was effective for the period Oct. 1, 1981, through Sept. 30, 1988, pursuant to section 155 of Pub. L. 97-35, as amended. See section 87j of this title.

### § 87j. Advisory committee

#### (a) Establishment; number and terms of members

Not later than ninety days after October 24, 1988, the Secretary shall establish an advisory

committee to provide advice to the Secretary with respect to implementation of this chapter consistent with the declarations of policy in section 74 of this title. The advisory committee shall consist of fifteen members, appointed by the Secretary, who represent the interests of all segments of the grain producing, processing, storing, merchandising, consuming, and exporting industries, including grain inspection and weighing agencies and scientists with expertise in research related to the policies established in section 74 of this title. Members of the advisory committee shall be appointed to three-year terms, except that of the initial fifteen members of the advisory committee first appointed following the enactment of this section, five shall be appointed for terms of one year and five shall be appointed for terms of two years. No member of the advisory committee may serve successive terms.

**(b) Federal Advisory Committee Act as governing**

The advisory committee shall be governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act [5 U.S.C. App.].

**(c) Clerical assistance and staff personnel**

The Secretary shall provide the advisory committee with necessary clerical assistance and staff personnel.

**(d) Compensation and travel expenses**

Members of the advisory committee shall serve without compensation, if not otherwise officers or employees of the United States, except that members shall, while away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services under this chapter, be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized under section 5703 of title 5.

**(e) Expiration of Secretary's authority**

The authority provided to the Secretary for the establishment and maintenance of an advisory committee under this section shall expire on September 30, 2005.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. B, §21, as added Pub. L. 100-518, §2(5), Oct. 24, 1988, 102 Stat. 2586; amended Pub. L. 103-156, §§13(b)(1), 14(c), Nov. 24, 1993, 107 Stat. 1529, 1530; Pub. L. 103-354, title II, §293(a)(7), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3237; Pub. L. 106-472, title I, §109, Nov. 9, 2000, 114 Stat. 2060.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The enactment of this section, referred to in subsec. (a), means Oct. 24, 1988, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 100-518.

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (b), is Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 106-472 substituted “2005” for “2000”.

1994—Subsecs. (a), (c). Pub. L. 103-354 substituted “Secretary” for “Administrator”.

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-156, §13(b)(1), struck out “(1)” before “Not later than” and struck out par. (2) which read as follows: “To ensure a smooth transition, the advisory committee established under section 87i of this title (as in effect prior to October 1, 1988) shall con-

tinue in existence until all members of the advisory committee established under this section are appointed; and the Secretary may appoint members of the advisory committee established under section 87i of this title to serve on the advisory committee established under this section, without regard to the time of service of such members on the advisory committee established under section 87i of this title.”

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 103-156, §14(c), added subsec. (e).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-472 effective as if enacted Sept. 30, 2000, see section 111 of Pub. L. 106-472, set out as a note under section 79 of this title.

EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES

That part of section 2 of Pub. L. 100-518 which provided that section was effective for period Oct. 1, 1988, through Sept. 30, 1993, inclusive, was repealed, effective Sept. 30, 1993, by Pub. L. 103-156, §§13(a), 16(b), Nov. 24, 1993, 107 Stat. 1529, 1530.

**§ 87k. Standardizing commercial inspections**

**(a) Testing equipment**

To promote greater uniformity in commercial grain inspection results, the Secretary may work in conjunction with the National Institute for Standards and Technology, the National Conference on Weights and Measures, or other appropriate governmental, scientific, or technical organizations to—

(1) identify inspection instruments requiring standardization under subsection (b) of this section;

(2) establish performance criteria for commercial grain inspection instruments;

(3) develop a national program to approve grain inspection instruments for commercial inspection; and

(4) develop standard reference materials or other means necessary for calibration or testing of approved instruments.

**(b) General inspection procedures**

To ensure that producers are treated uniformly in delivering grain, the Secretary shall develop practical and cost-effective procedures for conducting commercial inspections of grain with respect to the application of quality factors, that result in premiums and discounts. The procedures shall be made available to country elevators and others making first-point-of-delivery inspections.

**(c) Inspection services and information**

To encourage the use of equipment and procedures developed in accordance with subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the Secretary shall provide for official inspection services by the Secretary, States, and official inspection agencies and provide information on the proper use of sampling and inspection equipment, application of the grain standards, and availability of official inspection services, including appeals under this chapter.

**(d) Standardized aflatoxin equipment and procedures**

The Secretary shall—

(1) establish uniform standards for testing equipment; and

(2) establish uniform testing procedures and sampling techniques;