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AN ACT

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development,
Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for
other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 ~~(1) That the following sums are appropriated, out of any~~
4 ~~money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the~~
5 ~~fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other pur-~~
6 ~~poses, namely:~~

1 TITLE I
2 AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS
3 PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND MARKETING
4 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary
7 of Agriculture, and not to exceed \$75,000 for employment
8 under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$2,836,000: *Provided*, That not to
9 exceed \$11,000 of this amount, along with any unobli-
10 gated balances of representation funds in the Foreign Ag-
11 ricultural Service, shall be available for official reception
12 and representation expenses, not otherwise provided for,
13 as determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That
14 none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made avail-
15 able by this Act may be used to pay the salaries and ex-
16 penses of personnel of the Department of Agriculture to
17 carry out section 793(e)(1)(C) of Public Law 104-127:
18 *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available
19 by this Act may be used to enforce section 793(d) of Pub-
20 lic Law 104-127.

21 EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

22 CHIEF ECONOMIST

23 For necessary expenses of the Chief Economist, in-
24 cluding economic analysis, risk assessment, cost-benefit
25 analysis, energy and new uses, and the functions of the

1 World Agricultural Outlook Board, as authorized by the
 2 Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622g), and
 3 including employment pursuant to the second sentence of
 4 section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.
 5 2225), of which not to exceed \$5,000 is for employment
 6 under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,620,000.

7 NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION

8 For necessary expenses of the National Appeals Divi-
 9 sion, including employment pursuant to the second sen-
 10 tence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7
 11 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$25,000 is for em-
 12 ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$11,718,000.

13 OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

14 For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and
 15 Program Analysis, including employment pursuant to the
 16 second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of
 17 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$5,000 is
 18 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$6,583,000.

19 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

20 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief In-
 21 formation Officer, including employment pursuant to the
 22 second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of
 23 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000
 24 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$6,051,000 (re-
 25 duced by \$500,000).

1 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi-
3 nancial Officer, including employment pursuant to the sec-
4 ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944
5 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000 is for
6 employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$4,283,000.

7 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
8 ADMINISTRATION

9 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
10 the Assistant Secretary for Administration to carry out
11 the programs funded by this Act, \$613,000.

12 ~~AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND RENTAL~~
13 ~~PAYMENTS~~

14 ~~(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)~~

15 For payment of space rental and related costs pursu-
16 ant to Public Law 92-313, including authorities pursuant
17 to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Adminis-
18 trator of General Services to the Department of Agri-
19 culture under 40 U.S.C. 486, for programs and activities
20 of the Department which are included in this Act, and for
21 the operation, maintenance, and repair of Agriculture
22 buildings, \$140,364,000: *Provided*, That in the event an
23 agency within the Department should require modification
24 of space needs, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer
25 a share of that agency's appropriation made available by

1 this Act to this appropriation, or may transfer a share
2 of this appropriation to that agency's appropriation, but
3 such transfers shall not exceed 5 percent of the funds
4 made available for space rental and related costs to or
5 from this account. In addition, for construction, repair,
6 improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed
7 equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the pro-
8 grams of the Department, where not otherwise provided,
9 \$26,000,000, to remain available until expended; making
10 a total appropriation of \$166,364,000.

11 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

13 For necessary expenses of the Department of Agri-
14 culture, to comply with the requirement of section 107(g)
15 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Com-
16 pensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and sec-
17 tion 6001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act,
18 42 U.S.C. 6961, \$15,700,000, to remain available until
19 expended: *Provided*, That appropriations and funds avail-
20 able herein to the Department for Hazardous Waste Man-
21 agement may be transferred to any agency of the Depart-
22 ment for its use in meeting all requirements pursuant to
23 the above Acts on Federal and non-Federal lands.

1 DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 For Departmental Administration, ~~\$36,117,000~~, to
4 provide for necessary expenses for management support
5 services to offices of the Department and for general ad-
6 ministration and disaster management of the Department,
7 repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies
8 and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for
9 the practical and efficient work of the Department, includ-
10 ing employment pursuant to the second sentence of section
11 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of
12 which not to exceed \$10,000 is for employment under 5
13 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be
14 reimbursed from applicable appropriations in this Act for
15 travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as re-
16 quired by 5 U.S.C. 551–558.

17 OUTREACH FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS

18 For grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501
19 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of
20 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279), ~~\$3,000,000~~, to remain available
21 until expended.

1 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
2 CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
5 the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to
6 carry out the programs funded by this Act, including pro-
7 grams involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison
8 within the executive branch, \$3,668,000: *Provided*, That
9 no other funds appropriated to the Department by this
10 Act shall be available to the Department for support of
11 activities of congressional relations: *Provided further*, That
12 not less than \$2,241,000 shall be transferred to agencies
13 funded by this Act to maintain personnel at the agency
14 level.

15 OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

16 For necessary expenses to carry on services relating
17 to the coordination of programs involving public affairs,
18 for the dissemination of agricultural information, and the
19 coordination of information, work, and programs author-
20 ized by Congress in the Department, \$8,138,000, includ-
21 ing employment pursuant to the second sentence of section
22 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of
23 which not to exceed \$10,000 shall be available for employ-
24 ment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$2,000,000
25 may be used for farmers' bulletins.

1 OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector
4 General, including employment pursuant to the second
5 sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7
6 U.S.C. 2225), and the Inspector General Act of 1978,
7 \$65,128,000, including such sums as may be necessary for
8 contracting and other arrangements with public agencies
9 and private persons pursuant to section 6(a)(9) of the In-
10 spector General Act of 1978, including not to exceed
11 \$50,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; and includ-
12 ing not to exceed \$125,000 for certain confidential oper-
13 ational expenses, including the payment of informants, to
14 be expended under the direction of the Inspector General
15 pursuant to Public Law 95-452 and section 1337 of Pub-
16 lic Law 97-98.

17 OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

18 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General
19 Counsel, \$29,194,000.

20 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH,

21 EDUCATION AND ECONOMICS

22 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
23 the Under Secretary for Research, Education and Eco-
24 nomics to administer the laws enacted by the Congress
25 for the Economic Research Service, the National Agricul-

1 tural Statistics Service, the Agricultural Research Service,
 2 and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Ex-
 3 tension Service, \$940,000.

4 ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

5 For necessary expenses of the Economic Research
 6 Service in conducting economic research and analysis, as
 7 authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7
 8 U.S.C. 1621–1627) and other laws, \$70,266,000: *Pro-*
 9 *vided*, That this appropriation shall be available for em-
 10 ployment pursuant to the second sentence of section
 11 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225).

12 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

13 For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural
 14 Statistics Service in conducting statistical reporting and
 15 service work, including crop and livestock estimates, sta-
 16 tistical coordination and improvements, marketing sur-
 17 veys, and the Census of Agriculture, as authorized by 7
 18 U.S.C. 1621–1627, Public Law 105–113, and other laws,
 19 \$100,559,000, of which up to \$16,490,000 shall be avail-
 20 able until expended for the Census of Agriculture: *Pro-*
 21 *vided*, That this appropriation shall be available for em-
 22 ployment pursuant to the second sentence of section
 23 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and
 24 not to exceed \$40,000 shall be available for employment
 25 under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

1 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

2 For necessary expenses to enable the Agricultural Re-
3 search Service to perform agricultural research and dem-
4 onstration relating to production, utilization, marketing,
5 and distribution (not otherwise provided for); home eco-
6 nomies or nutrition and consumer use including the acqui-
7 sition, preservation, and dissemination of agricultural in-
8 formation; and for acquisition of lands by donation, ex-
9 change, or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100,
10 and for land exchanges where the lands exchanged shall
11 be of equal value or shall be equalized by a payment of
12 money to the grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent
13 of the total value of the land or interests transferred out
14 of Federal ownership, \$836,381,000 (reduced by
15 \$13,000,000): *Provided*, That appropriations hereunder
16 shall be available for temporary employment pursuant to
17 the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act
18 of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$115,000 shall
19 be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Pro-*
20 *vided further*, That appropriations hereunder shall be
21 available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft
22 and the purchase of not to exceed one for replacement
23 only: *Provided further*, That appropriations hereunder
24 shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for the con-
25 struction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improve-

1 ments, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of con-
2 structing any one building shall not exceed \$250,000, ex-
3 cept for headhouses or greenhouses which shall each be
4 limited to \$1,000,000, and except for ten buildings to be
5 constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed \$500,000
6 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the
7 fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current re-
8 placement value of the building or \$250,000, whichever
9 is greater: *Provided further*, That the limitations on alter-
10 ations contained in this Act shall not apply to moderniza-
11 tion or replacement of existing facilities at Beltsville,
12 Maryland: *Provided further*, That appropriations here-
13 under shall be available for granting easements at the
14 Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, including an ease-
15 ment to the University of Maryland to construct the
16 Transgenic Animal Facility which upon completion shall
17 be accepted by the Secretary as a gift: *Provided further*,
18 That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to replace-
19 ment of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April
20 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): *Provided further*, That funds
21 may be received from any State, other political subdivi-
22 sion, organization, or individual for the purpose of estab-
23 lishing or operating any research facility or research
24 project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized
25 by law.

1 None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall
2 be available to carry out research related to the produc-
3 tion, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco prod-
4 ucts.

5 In fiscal year 2000, the agency is authorized to
6 charge fees, commensurate with the fair market value, for
7 any permit, easement, lease, or other special use author-
8 ization for the occupancy or use of land and facilities (in-
9 cluding land and facilities at the Beltsville Agricultural
10 Research Center) issued by the agency, as authorized by
11 law, and such fees shall be credited to this account and
12 shall remain available until expended for authorized pur-
13 poses.

14 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

15 For acquisition of land, construction, repair, improve-
16 ment, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equip-
17 ment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural
18 research programs of the Department of Agriculture,
19 where not otherwise provided, \$44,500,000, to remain
20 available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): *Provided*, That
21 funds may be received from any State, other political sub-
22 division, organization, or individual for the purpose of es-
23 tablishing any research facility of the Agricultural Re-
24 search Service, as authorized by law.

1 COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND
2 EXTENSION SERVICE
3 RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

4 For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for
5 cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and
6 for other expenses, including \$180,545,000 to carry into
7 effect the provisions of the Hatch Act (7 U.S.C. 361a-
8 i), \$21,932,000 for grants for cooperative forestry re-
9 search (16 U.S.C. 582a-a7), \$29,676,000 for payments
10 to the 1890 land-grant colleges, including Tuskegee Uni-
11 versity (7 U.S.C. 3222), \$62,916,000 for special grants
12 for agricultural research (7 U.S.C. 450i(e)), \$15,048,000
13 for special grants for agricultural research on improved
14 pest control (7 U.S.C. 450i(e)), \$105,411,000 for competi-
15 tive research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), \$5,109,000 for
16 the support of animal health and disease programs (7
17 U.S.C. 3195), \$750,000 for supplemental and alternative
18 crops and products (7 U.S.C. 3319d), \$600,000 for grants
19 for research pursuant to the Critical Agricultural Mate-
20 rials Act of 1984 (7 U.S.C. 178) and section 1472 of the
21 Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3318), to
22 remain available until expended, \$3,000,000 for higher
23 education graduate fellowship grants (7 U.S.C.
24 3152(b)(6)), to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C.
25 2209b), \$4,350,000 for higher education challenge grants

1 ~~(7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(1)), \$1,000,000 for a higher education~~
 2 ~~multicultural scholars program (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(5)), to~~
 3 ~~remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b),~~
 4 ~~\$2,850,000 for an education grants program for Hispanic-~~
 5 ~~serving Institutions (7 U.S.C. 3241), \$500,000 for a sec-~~
 6 ~~ondary agriculture education program and two-year post-~~
 7 ~~secondary education (7 U.S.C. 3152 (h)), \$4,000,000 for~~
 8 ~~aquaculture grants (7 U.S.C. 3322), \$8,000,000 for sus-~~
 9 ~~tainable agriculture research and education (7 U.S.C.~~
 10 ~~5811), \$9,200,000 for a program of capacity building~~
 11 ~~grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(4)) to colleges eligible to receive~~
 12 ~~funds under the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321-~~
 13 ~~326 and 328), including Tuskegee University, to remain~~
 14 ~~available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b), \$1,552,000 for~~
 15 ~~payments to the 1994 Institutions pursuant to section~~
 16 ~~534(a)(1) of Public Law 103-382; and \$10,888,000 for~~
 17 ~~necessary expenses of Research and Education Activities,~~
 18 ~~of which not to exceed \$100,000 shall be for employment~~
 19 ~~under 5 U.S.C. 3109; in all, \$467,327,000.~~

20 None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall
 21 be available to carry out research related to the produc-
 22 tion, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco prod-
 23 ucts.

1 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

2 For establishment of a Native American institutions
3 endowment fund, as authorized by Public Law ~~103-382~~
4 (~~7 U.S.C. 301~~ note), \$4,600,000.

5 EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

6 Payments to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto
7 Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, Northern
8 Marianas, and American Samoa: for payments for cooper-
9 ative extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, to be dis-
10 tributed under sections 3(b) and 3(e) of said Act, and
11 under section 208(c) of Public Law ~~93-471~~, for retire-
12 ment and employees' compensation costs for extension
13 agents and for costs of penalty mail for cooperative exten-
14 sion agents and State extension directors, \$276,548,000;
15 payments for extension work at the 1994 Institutions
16 under the Smith-Lever Act (~~7 U.S.C. 343(b)(3)~~),
17 \$2,060,000; payments for the nutrition and family edu-
18 cation program for low-income areas under section 3(d)
19 of the Act, \$58,695,000; payments for the pest manage-
20 ment program under section 3(d) of the Act, \$10,783,000;
21 payments for the farm safety program under section 3(d)
22 of the Act, \$3,000,000; payments for the pesticide impact
23 assessment program under section 3(d) of the Act,
24 \$3,214,000; payments to upgrade research, extension, and
25 teaching facilities at the 1890 land-grant colleges, includ-
26 ing Tuskegee University, as authorized by section 1447

1 of Public Law 95-113 (7 U.S.C. 3222b), \$8,426,000, to
 2 remain available until expended; payments for the rural
 3 development centers under section 3(d) of the Act,
 4 \$908,000; payments for a groundwater quality program
 5 under section 3(d) of the Act, \$9,561,000; payments for
 6 youth-at-risk programs under section 3(d) of the Act,
 7 \$9,000,000; payments for a food safety program under
 8 section 3(d) of the Act, \$7,365,000; payments for carrying
 9 out the provisions of the Renewable Resources Extension
 10 Act of 1978, \$3,192,000; payments for Indian reservation
 11 agents under section 3(d) of the Act, \$1,714,000; pay-
 12 ments for sustainable agriculture programs under section
 13 3(d) of the Act, \$3,309,000; payments for rural health
 14 and safety education as authorized by section 2390 of
 15 Public Law 101-624 (7 U.S.C. 2661 note, 2662),
 16 \$2,628,000; payments for cooperative extension work by
 17 the colleges receiving the benefits of the second Morrill
 18 Act (7 U.S.C. 321-326 and 328) and Tuskegee Univer-
 19 sity, \$25,843,000; and for Federal administration and co-
 20 ordination including administration of the Smith-Lever
 21 Act, and the Act of September 29, 1977 (7 U.S.C. 341-
 22 349), and section 1361(e) of the Act of October 3, 1980
 23 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), and to coordinate and provide pro-
 24 gram leadership for the extension work of the Department
 25 and the several States and insular possessions;

1 ~~\$12,741,000; in all, \$438,987,000. *Provided,* That funds~~
 2 ~~hereby appropriated pursuant to section 3(e) of the Act~~
 3 ~~of June 26, 1953, and section 506 of the Act of June~~
 4 ~~23, 1972, shall not be paid to any State, the District of~~
 5 ~~Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, or the Virgin Islands, Mi-~~
 6 ~~cronesia, Northern Marianas, and American Samoa prior~~
 7 ~~to availability of an equal sum from non-Federal sources~~
 8 ~~for expenditure during the current fiscal year.~~

9 ~~INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES~~

10 ~~For the integrated research, education, and extension~~
 11 ~~competitive grants programs, including necessary adminis-~~
 12 ~~trative expenses, \$10,000,000.~~

13 ~~OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MARKETING~~
 14 ~~AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS~~

15 ~~For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of~~
 16 ~~the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Pro-~~
 17 ~~grams to administer programs under the laws enacted by~~
 18 ~~the Congress for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection~~
 19 ~~Service, the Agricultural Marketing Service, and the Grain~~
 20 ~~Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration,~~
 21 ~~\$618,000.~~

1 ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For expenses, not otherwise provided for, including
5 those pursuant to the Act of February 28, 1947 (21
6 U.S.C. 114b-c), necessary to prevent, control, and eradi-
7 cate pests and plant and animal diseases; to carry out in-
8 spection, quarantine, and regulatory activities; to dis-
9 charge the authorities of the Secretary of Agriculture
10 under the Act of March 2, 1931 (46 Stat. 1468; 7 U.S.C.
11 426-426b); and to protect the environment, as authorized
12 by law, \$444,000,000, of which \$4,105,000 shall be avail-
13 able for the control of outbreaks of insects, plant diseases,
14 animal diseases and for control of pest animals and birds
15 to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions: *Pro-*
16 *vided*, That no funds shall be used to formulate or admin-
17 ister a brucellosis eradication program for the current fis-
18 cal year that does not require minimum matching by the
19 States of at least 40 percent: *Provided further*, That this
20 appropriation shall be available for field employment pur-
21 suant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Or-
22 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed
23 \$40,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C.
24 3109: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be
25 available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft

1 and the purchase of not to exceed four, of which two shall
2 be for replacement only: *Provided further*, That, in addi-
3 tion, in emergencies which threaten any segment of the
4 agricultural production industry of this country, the Sec-
5 retary may transfer from other appropriations or funds
6 available to the agencies or corporations of the Depart-
7 ment such sums as may be deemed necessary, to be avail-
8 able only in such emergencies for the arrest and eradi-
9 cation of contagious or infectious disease or pests of ani-
10 mals, poultry, or plants, and for expenses in accordance
11 with the Act of February 28, 1947, and section 102 of
12 the Act of September 21, 1944, and any unexpended bal-
13 ances of funds transferred for such emergency purposes
14 in the next preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such
15 transferred amounts: *Provided further*, That appropria-
16 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to law (7
17 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alteration of leased build-
18 ings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided the
19 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
20 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
21 value of the building.

22 In fiscal year 2000, the agency is authorized to collect
23 fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assist-
24 ance, goods, or services requested by States, other political
25 subdivisions, domestic and international organizations,

1 foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such
2 fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such
3 fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods,
4 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such
5 fees shall be credited to this account, to remain available
6 until expended, without further appropriation, for pro-
7 viding such assistance, goods, or services.

8 Of the total amount available under this heading in
9 fiscal year 2000, \$87,000,000 shall be derived from user
10 fees deposited in the Agricultural Quarantine Inspection
11 User Fee Account.

12 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

13 For plans, construction, repair, preventive mainte-
14 nance, environmental support, improvement, extension, al-
15 teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as
16 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as
17 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 428a, \$7,200,000, to remain avail-
18 able until expended.

19 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

20 MARKETING SERVICES

21 For necessary expenses to carry on services related
22 to consumer protection, agricultural marketing and dis-
23 tribution, transportation, and regulatory programs, as au-
24 thorized by law, and for administration and coordination
25 of payments to States, including field employment pursu-

1 ant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Or-
 2 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225) and not to exceed
 3 \$90,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109,
 4 \$49,152,000, including funds for the wholesale market de-
 5 velopment program for the design and development of
 6 wholesale and farmer market facilities for the major met-
 7 ropolitan areas of the country: *Provided*, That this appro-
 8 priation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250)
 9 for the alteration and repair of buildings and improve-
 10 ments, but the cost of altering any one building during
 11 the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current
 12 replacement value of the building.

13 Fees may be collected for the cost of standardization
 14 activities, as established by regulation pursuant to law (31
 15 U.S.C. 9701).

16 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE LEVEL

17 Not to exceed \$60,730,000 (from fees collected) shall
 18 be obligated during the current fiscal year for administra-
 19 tive expenses: *Provided*, That if crop size is understated
 20 and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may
 21 exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification
 22 to the Appropriations Committees.

1 FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND
2 SUPPLY (SECTION 32)
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 Funds available under section 32 of the Act of Au-
5 gust 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c) shall be used only for com-
6 modity program expenses as authorized therein, and other
7 related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the
8 Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and
9 Wildlife Act of August 8, 1956; (2) transfers otherwise
10 provided in this Act; and (3) not more than \$12,443,000
11 for formulation and administration of marketing agree-
12 ments and orders pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing
13 Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural Act of 1961.

14 PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

15 For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus
16 and departments of markets, and similar agencies for
17 marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul-
18 tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)),
19 \$1,200,000.

20 GRAIN INSPECTION, PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS

21 ADMINISTRATION

22 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

23 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
24 of the United States Grain Standards Act, for the admin-
25 istration of the Packers and Stockyards Act, for certifying
26 procedures used to protect purchasers of farm products,

14 Not to exceed \$42,557,000 (from fees collected) shall
15 be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection
16 and weighing services: *Provided*, That if grain export ac-
17 tivities require additional supervision and oversight, or
18 other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be
19 exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Ap-
20 propriations Committees.

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for the Food Safety and Inspection Service, \$446,000.

1 FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

2 For necessary expenses to carry out services author-
3 ized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry
4 Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection
5 Act, \$652,955,000, and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be
6 credited to this account from fees collected for the cost
7 of laboratory accreditation as authorized by section 1017
8 of Public Law 102-237: *Provided*, That this appropriation
9 shall not be available for shell egg surveillance under sec-
10 tion 5(d) of the Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C.
11 1034(d)): *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall
12 be available for field employment pursuant to the second
13 sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7
14 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$75,000 shall be available
15 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided further*,
16 That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law
17 (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings
18 and improvements, but the cost of altering any one build-
19 ing during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of
20 the current replacement value of the building.

21 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM AND

22 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

23 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
24 the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural
25 Services to administer the laws enacted by Congress for

1 the Farm Service Agency, the Foreign Agricultural Serv-
 2 ice, the Risk Management Agency, and the Commodity
 3 Credit Corporation, \$572,000.

4 FARM SERVICE AGENCY

5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

7 For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-
 8 tration and implementation of programs administered by
 9 the Farm Service Agency, \$794,839,000: *Provided*, That
 10 the Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities,
 11 and authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity
 12 Credit Corporation to make program payments for all pro-
 13 grams administered by the Agency: *Provided further*, That
 14 other funds made available to the Agency for authorized
 15 activities may be advanced to and merged with this ac-
 16 count: *Provided further*, That these funds shall be avail-
 17 able for employment pursuant to the second sentence of
 18 section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.
 19 2225), and not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall be available for
 20 employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

21 STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

22 For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricul-
 23 tural Credit Act of 1987 (7 U.S.C. 5101–5106),
 24 \$4,000,000.

1 DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity
4 payments to dairy farmers for milk or cows producing
5 such milk and manufacturers of dairy products who have
6 been directed to remove their milk or dairy products from
7 commercial markets because it contained residues of
8 chemicals registered and approved for use by the Federal
9 Government, and in making indemnity payments for milk,
10 or cows producing such milk, at a fair market value to
11 any dairy farmer who is directed to remove his milk from
12 commercial markets because of: (1) the presence of prod-
13 ucts of nuclear radiation or fallout if such contamination
14 is not due to the fault of the farmer; or (2) residues of
15 chemicals or toxic substances not included under the first
16 sentence of the Act of August 13, 1968 (7 U.S.C. 450j);
17 if such chemicals or toxic substances were not used in a
18 manner contrary to applicable regulations or labeling in-
19 structions provided at the time of use and the contamina-
20 tion is not due to the fault of the farmer, \$450,000, to
21 remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): *Pro-*
22 *vided*, That none of the funds contained in this Act shall
23 be used to make indemnity payments to any farmer whose
24 milk was removed from commercial markets as a result
25 of the farmer's willful failure to follow procedures pre-

1 scribed by the Federal Government: *Provided further*,
 2 That this amount shall be transferred to the Commodity
 3 Credit Corporation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary
 4 is authorized to utilize the services, facilities, and authori-
 5 ties of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the purpose
 6 of making dairy indemnity disbursements.

7 AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM

8 ACCOUNT

9 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

10 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
 11 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by 7 U.S.C.
 12 1928–1929, to be available from funds in the Agricultural
 13 Credit Insurance Fund, as follows: farm ownership loans,
 14 \$559,422,000, of which \$431,373,000 shall be for guaran-
 15 teed loans; operating loans, \$2,295,284,000, of which
 16 \$1,697,842,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed
 17 loans and \$97,442,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed
 18 loans; Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by
 19 25 U.S.C. 488, \$1,028,000; for emergency insured loans,
 20 \$53,000,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural dis-
 21 asters; and for boll weevil eradication program loans as
 22 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1989, \$100,000,000.

23 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including
 24 the cost of modifying loans as defined in section 502 of
 25 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: farm

1 ownership loans, \$7,243,000, of which \$2,416,000 shall
 2 be for guaranteed loans; operating loans, \$61,825,000, of
 3 which ~~\$23,940,000~~ shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed
 4 loans and \$8,585,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed
 5 loans; Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by
 6 ~~25 U.S.C. 488, \$21,000;~~ and for emergency insured loans,
 7 ~~\$8,231,000~~ to meet the needs resulting from natural dis-
 8 asters.

9 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
 10 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
 11 \$214,161,000, of which \$209,861,000 shall be transferred
 12 to and merged with the appropriation for “Farm Service
 13 Agency, Salaries and Expenses”.

14 RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

15 For administrative and operating expenses, as au-
 16 thorized by the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Re-
 17 form Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 6933), \$70,716,000: *Provided,*
 18 That not to exceed \$700 shall be available for official re-
 19 ception and representation expenses, as authorized by 7
 20 U.S.C. 1506(i).

21 CORPORATIONS

22 The following corporations and agencies are hereby
 23 authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of
 24 funds and borrowing authority available to each such cor-
 25 poration or agency and in accord with law, and to make

1 contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year
 2 limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government
 3 Corporation Control Act as may be necessary in carrying
 4 out the programs set forth in the budget for the current
 5 fiscal year for such corporation or agency, except as here-
 6 inafter provided.

7 FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

8 For payments as authorized by section 516 of the
 9 Federal Crop Insurance Act, such sums as may be nec-
 10 essary, to remain available until expended (~~7 U.S.C.~~
 11 ~~2209b~~).

12 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND

13 REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES

14 For fiscal year 2000, such sums as may be necessary
 15 to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net
 16 realized losses sustained, but not previously reimbursed
 17 (estimated to be \$14,368,000,000 in the President's fiscal
 18 year 2000 Budget Request (H. Doc. 106-3)), but not to
 19 exceed \$14,368,000,000, pursuant to section 2 of the Act
 20 of August 17, 1961 (~~15 U.S.C. 713a-11~~).

21 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE
 22 MANAGEMENT

23 For fiscal year 2000, the Commodity Credit Corpora-
 24 tion shall not expend more than \$5,000,000 for expenses
 25 to comply with the requirement of section 107(g) of the
 26 Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation,

1 and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and section 6001
 2 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C.
 3 6961: *Provided*, That expenses shall be for operations and
 4 maintenance costs only and that other hazardous waste
 5 management costs shall be paid for by the USDA Haz-
 6 ardous Waste Management appropriation in this Act.

7 TITLE II

8 CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

9 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL

10 RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

11 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
 12 the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environ-
 13 ment to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for
 14 the Forest Service and the Natural Resources Conserva-
 15 tion Service, \$693,000.

16 NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

17 CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

18 For necessary expenses for carrying out the provi-
 19 sions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-f),
 20 including preparation of conservation plans and establish-
 21 ment of measures to conserve soil and water (including
 22 farm irrigation and land drainage and such special meas-
 23 ures for soil and water management as may be necessary
 24 to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs and to con-
 25 trol agricultural related pollutants); operation of conserva-

tion plant materials centers; classification and mapping of
soil; dissemination of information; acquisition of lands;
water, and interests therein for use in the plant materials
program by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal
cost not to exceed \$100 pursuant to the Act of August
3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 428a); purchase and erection or alter-
ation or improvement of permanent and temporary build-
ings; and operation and maintenance of aircraft,
\$654,243,000, to remain available until expended (7
U.S.C. 2209b), of which not less than \$6,124,000 is for
snow survey and water forecasting and not less than
\$9,238,000 is for operation and establishment of the plant
materials centers: *Provided*, That appropriations here-
under shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for
construction and improvement of buildings and public im-
provements at plant materials centers, except that the cost
of alterations and improvements to other buildings and
other public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000: *Pro-*
vided further, That when buildings or other structures are
erected on non-Federal land, that the right to use such
land is obtained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a: *Provided*
further, That this appropriation shall be available for tech-
nical assistance and related expenses to carry out pro-
grams authorized by section 202(c) of title II of the Colo-
rado River Basin Salinity Control Act of 1974 (43 U.S.C.

1 ~~1592(c))~~: *Provided further*, That no part of this appropria-
 2 tion may be expended for soil and water conservation oper-
 3 ations under the Act of April 27, 1935 in demonstration
 4 projects: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall
 5 be available for employment pursuant to the second sen-
 6 tence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7
 7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$25,000 shall be available
 8 for employment under ~~5~~ U.S.C. 3109: *Provided further*,
 9 That qualified local engineers may be temporarily em-
 10 ployed at per diem rates to perform the technical planning
 11 work of the Service (~~16~~ U.S.C. 590e-2).

12 WATERSHED SURVEYS AND PLANNING

13 For necessary expenses to conduct research, inves-
 14 tigation, and surveys of watersheds of rivers and other wa-
 15 terways, and for small watershed investigations and plan-
 16 ning, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and
 17 Flood Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954 (~~16~~ U.S.C.
 18 ~~1001-1009~~), ~~\$10,368,000~~: *Provided*, That this appropria-
 19 tion shall be available for employment pursuant to the sec-
 20 ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944
 21 (~~7~~ U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$110,000 shall be
 22 available for employment under ~~5~~ U.S.C. 3109.

23 WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS

24 For necessary expenses to carry out preventive meas-
 25 ures, including but not limited to research, engineering op-

1 erations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation,
 2 rehabilitation of existing works and changes in use of land,
 3 in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood
 4 Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954 (16 U.S.C.
 5 1001–1005 and 1007–1009), the provisions of the Act of
 6 April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f), and in accordance
 7 with the provisions of laws relating to the activities of the
 8 Department, \$99,443,000, to remain available until ex-
 9 pended (7 U.S.C. 2209b) (of which up to \$15,000,000
 10 may be available for the watersheds authorized under the
 11 Flood Control Act approved June 22, 1936 (33 U.S.C.
 12 701 and 16 U.S.C. 1006a)): *Provided*, That not to exceed
 13 \$47,000,000 of this appropriation shall be available for
 14 technical assistance: *Provided further*, That this appro-
 15 priation shall be available for employment pursuant to the
 16 second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of
 17 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$200,000 shall
 18 be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Pro-*
 19 *vided further*, That not to exceed \$1,000,000 of this appro-
 20 priation is available to carry out the purposes of the En-
 21 dangered Species Act of 1973 (Public Law 93–205), in-
 22 cluding cooperative efforts as contemplated by that Act
 23 to relocate endangered or threatened species to other suit-
 24 able habitats as may be necessary to expedite project con-
 25 struction.

1 RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

2 For necessary expenses in planning and carrying out
 3 projects for resource conservation and development and
 4 for sound land use pursuant to the provisions of section
 5 32(e) of title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act
 6 (7 U.S.C. 1010–1011; 76 Stat. 607), the Act of April 27,
 7 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f), and the Agriculture and Food
 8 Act of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3451–3461), \$35,265,000, to re-
 9 main available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): *Provided*,
 10 That this appropriation shall be available for employment
 11 pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the
 12 Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed
 13 \$50,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C.
 14 3109.

15 TITLE III

16 RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

17 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL
 18 DEVELOPMENT

19 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
 20 the Under Secretary for Rural Development to administer
 21 programs under the laws enacted by the Congress for the
 22 Rural Housing Service, the Rural Business-Cooperative
 23 Service, and the Rural Utilities Service of the Department
 24 of Agriculture, \$588,000.

1 RURAL COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and
4 grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 1926a, 1926c,
5 1926d, and 1932, except for sections 381E, 381G, 381H,
6 381N, and 381O of the Consolidated Farm and Rural De-
7 velopment Act (7 U.S.C. 2009f), \$666,103,000 (increased
8 by \$3,000,000), to remain available until expended, of
9 which \$34,387,000 shall be for rural community programs
10 described in section 381E(d)(1) of such Act; of which
11 \$579,216,000 shall be for the rural utilities programs de-
12 scribed in sections 381E(d)(2), 306C(a)(2), and 306D of
13 such Act; and of which \$52,500,000 shall be for the rural
14 business and cooperative development programs described
15 in sections 381E(d)(3) and 310B(f) of such Act: *Provided*,
16 That of the amount appropriated for rural community
17 programs, \$5,000,000 shall be made available for haz-
18 ardous weather early warning systems; and \$6,000,000
19 shall be available for a Rural Community Development
20 Initiative: *Provided further*, That of the amount appro-
21 priated for the rural business and cooperative development
22 programs, not to exceed \$500,000 shall be made available
23 for a grant to a qualified national organization to provide
24 technical assistance for rural transportation in order to
25 promote economic development; and \$5,000,000 shall be

1 made available for partnership technical assistance grants
2 to rural communities: *Provided further*, That of the
3 amount appropriated for rural utilities programs, not to
4 exceed \$20,000,000 shall be for water and waste disposal
5 systems to benefit the Colonias along the United States/
6 Mexico border, including grants pursuant to section 306C
7 of such Act; not to exceed \$20,000,000 shall be for water
8 and waste disposal systems for rural and native villages
9 in Alaska pursuant to section 306D of such Act; not to
10 exceed \$16,215,000 shall be for technical assistance
11 grants for rural waste systems pursuant to section
12 306(a)(14) of such Act; and not to exceed \$5,300,000
13 shall be for contracting with qualified national organiza-
14 tions for a circuit rider program to provide technical as-
15 sistance for rural water systems: *Provided further*, That
16 of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed
17 \$45,245,000 shall be available through June 30, 2000, for
18 empowerment zones and enterprise communities, as au-
19 thorized by Public Law 103-66, of which \$2,106,000 shall
20 be for rural community programs described in section
21 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
22 ment Act; of which \$34,704,000 shall be for the rural util-
23 ities programs described in section 381E(d)(2) of such
24 Act; of which \$8,435,000 shall be for the rural business
25 and cooperative development programs described in sec-

tion 381E(d)(3) of such Act: *Provided further*, That any obligated and unobligated balances available from prior years for the “Rural Utilities Assistance Program” account shall be transferred to and merged with this account.

RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the rural housing insurance fund, as follows: \$4,537,632,000 for loans to section 502 borrowers, as determined by the Secretary, of which \$3,200,000,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans, \$32,400,000 for section 504 housing repair loans, \$100,000,000 for section 538 guaranteed multi-family housing loans, \$25,000,000 for section 514 farm labor housing, \$120,000,000 for section 515 rental housing, \$5,152,000 for section 524 site loans, \$7,503,000 for credit sales of acquired property, of which up to \$1,250,000 may be for multi-family credit sales; and \$5,000,000 for section 523 self-help housing land development loans.

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section

1 502 loans, \$133,620,000, of which \$19,520,000 shall be
 2 for unsubsidized guaranteed loans; section 504 housing re-
 3 pair loans, \$9,900,000; section 538 multi-family housing
 4 guaranteed loans, \$480,000; section 514 farm labor hous-
 5 ing, \$11,308,000; section 515 rental housing,
 6 \$47,616,000; section 524 site loans, \$4,000; credit sales
 7 of acquired property, \$874,000, of which up to \$494,250
 8 may be for multi-family credit sales; and section 523 self-
 9 help housing land development loans, \$281,000: *Provided,*
 10 That of the total amount appropriated in this paragraph,
 11 \$9,829,000 shall be for empowerment zones and enter-
 12 prise communities, as authorized by Public Law 103-66,
 13 empowerment zones as authorized by section 951 of the
 14 Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-34), enter-
 15 prise communities as authorized by Division A, Title VII,
 16 section 766 of the Fiscal Year 1999 Omnibus Appropria-
 17 tions Act (Public Law 105-277), and communities des-
 18 ignated by the Secretary of Agriculture as Rural Economic
 19 Area Partnership Zones: *Provided further,* That if such
 20 funds are not obligated for empowerment zones and enter-
 21 prise communities by June 30, 2000, they shall remain
 22 available for other authorized purposes under this head.
 23 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
 24 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
 25 \$377,879,000, which shall be transferred to and merged

1 with the appropriation for “Rural Housing Service, Sala-
 2 ries and Expenses”: *Provided*, That of this amount the
 3 Secretary of Agriculture may transfer up to \$7,000,000
 4 to the appropriation for “Outreach for Socially Disadvan-
 5 tagged Farmers”.

6 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

7 For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-
 8 newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)
 9 or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or
 10 payments for eligible households as authorized by section
 11 502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended;
 12 \$583,400,000; and, in addition, such sums as may be nec-
 13 essary, as authorized by section 521(e) of the Act, to liq-
 14 uidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry out
 15 the rental assistance program under section 521(a)(2) of
 16 the Act: *Provided*, That of this amount, not more than
 17 \$5,900,000 shall be available for debt forgiveness or pay-
 18 ments for eligible households as authorized by section
 19 502(c)(5)(D) of the Act, and not to exceed \$10,000 per
 20 project for advances to nonprofit organizations or public
 21 agencies to cover direct costs (other than purchase price)
 22 incurred in purchasing projects pursuant to section
 23 502(c)(5)(C) of the Act: *Provided further*, That agree-
 24 ments entered into or renewed during fiscal year 2000
 25 shall be funded for a five-year period, although the life

1 of any such agreement may be extended to fully utilize
 2 amounts obligated.

3 MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

4 For grants and contracts pursuant to section
 5 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C.
 6 1490e), \$28,000,000, to remain available until expended
 7 (7 U.S.C. 2209b): *Provided*, That of the total amount ap-
 8 propriated, \$1,000,000 shall be for empowerment zones
 9 and enterprise communities, as authorized by Public Law
 10 103-66, empowerment zones as authorized by section 951
 11 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-34),
 12 enterprise communities as authorized by Division A, Title
 13 VII, section 766 of the Fiscal Year 1999 Omnibus Appro-
 14 priations Act (Public Law 105-277), and communities
 15 designated by the Secretary of Agriculture as Rural Eco-
 16 nomic Area Partnership Zones: *Provided further*, That if
 17 such funds are not obligated for empowerment zones and
 18 enterprise communities by June 30, 2000, they shall re-
 19 main available for other authorized purposes under this
 20 head.

21 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

22 For grants and contracts for housing for domestic
 23 farm labor, very low-income housing repair, supervisory
 24 and technical assistance, compensation for construction
 25 defects, and rural housing preservation made by the Rural
 26 Housing Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474,

1 1479(e), 1486, 1490e, and 1490m, \$50,000,000, to re-
 2 main available until expended: *Provided*, That of the total
 3 amount appropriated, \$3,250,000 shall be for empower-
 4 ment zones and enterprise communities, as authorized by
 5 Public Law 103-66, empowerment zones as authorized by
 6 section 951 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (Public
 7 Law 105-34), enterprise communities as authorized by
 8 Division A, Title VII, section 766 of the Fiscal Year 1999
 9 Omnibus Appropriations Act (Public Law 105-277), and
 10 communities designated by the Secretary of Agriculture
 11 as Rural Economic Area Partnership Zones: *Provided fur-*
 12 *ther*, That if such funds are not obligated for empower-
 13 ment zones and enterprise communities by June 30, 2000,
 14 they shall remain available for other authorized purposes
 15 under this head.

16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For necessary expenses of the Rural Housing Service,
 18 including administering the programs authorized by the
 19 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, title V
 20 of the Housing Act of 1949, and cooperative agreements,
 21 \$61,979,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be
 22 available for employment pursuant to the second sentence
 23 of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.
 24 2225), and not to exceed \$520,000 may be used for em-
 25 ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided further*, That the
 26 Administrator may expend not more than \$10,000 to pro-

1 vide modest nonmonetary awards to non-~~USDA~~ employ-
 2 ees:

3 ~~RURAL BUSINESS-COOPERATIVE SERVICE~~

4 ~~RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT~~

5 ~~(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)~~

6 For the cost of direct loans, \$22,799,000, as author-
 7 ized by the Rural Development Loan Fund (42 U.S.C.
 8 9812(a)): *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of
 9 modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502
 10 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided fur-*
 11 *ther*, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obli-
 12 gations for the principal amount of direct loans of
 13 \$52,495,000: *Provided further*, That of the total amount
 14 appropriated, \$4,343,000 shall be available for the cost
 15 of direct loans for empowerment zones and enterprise
 16 communities, as authorized by Public Law 103-66, em-
 17 powerment zones as authorized by section 951 of the Tax-
 18 payer Relief Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-34), enterprise
 19 communities as authorized by Division A, Title VII, sec-
 20 tion 766 of the Fiscal Year 1999 Omnibus Appropriations
 21 Act (Public Law 105-277), and communities designated
 22 by the Secretary of Agriculture as Rural Economic Area
 23 Partnership Zones, to subsidize gross obligations for the
 24 principal amount of direct loans, \$10,000,000: *Provided*
 25 *further*, That if such funds are not obligated for empower-
 26 ment zones and enterprise communities by June 30, 2000,

1 they shall remain available for other authorized purposes
 2 under this head.

3 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
 4 the direct loan programs, \$3,337,000 shall be transferred
 5 to and merged with the appropriation for “Rural Busi-
 6 ness-Cooperative Service, Salaries and Expenses”.

7 RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM
 8 ACCOUNT
 9 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

10 For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-
 11 ized under section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act,
 12 for the purpose of promoting rural economic development
 13 and job creation projects, \$15,000,000.

14 For the cost of direct loans, including the cost of
 15 modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congres-
 16 sional Budget Act of 1974, \$3,453,000.

17 Of the funds derived from interest on the cushion of
 18 credit payments in fiscal year 2000, as authorized by sec-
 19 tion 313 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936,
 20 \$3,453,000 shall not be obligated and \$3,453,000 are re-
 21 scinded.

22 RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

23 For rural cooperative development grants authorized
 24 under section 310B(e) of the Consolidated Farm and
 25 Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932), \$6,000,000, of

1 which \$1,500,000 shall be available for cooperative agree-
2 ments for the appropriate technology transfer for rural
3 areas program and \$1,500,000 for cooperative research
4 agreements.

5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For necessary expenses of the Rural Business Coop-
7 erative Service, including administering the programs au-
8 thorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
9 ment Act; section 1323 of the Food Security Act of 1985;
10 the Cooperative Marketing Act of 1926; for activities re-
11 lating to the marketing aspects of cooperatives, including
12 economic research findings, as authorized by the Agricul-
13 tural Marketing Act of 1946; for activities with institu-
14 tions concerning the development and operation of agricul-
15 tural cooperatives; and for cooperative agreements;
16 \$24,612,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be
17 available for employment pursuant to the second sentence
18 of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.
19 2225), and not to exceed \$260,000 may be used for em-
20 ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

1 RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE
2 RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
3 LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT
4 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

5 Insured loans pursuant to the authority of section
6 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C.
7 935) shall be made as follows: 5 percent rural electrifica-
8 tion loans, \$121,500,000; 5 percent rural telecommuni-
9 cations loans, \$75,000,000; cost of money rural tele-
10 communications loans, \$300,000,000; municipal rate rural
11 electric loans, \$295,000,000; and loans made pursuant to
12 section 306 of that Act, rural electric, \$1,500,000,000 and
13 rural telecommunications, \$120,000,000, to remain avail-
14 able until expended.

15 For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-
16 gressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modi-
17 fying loans, of direct and guaranteed loans authorized by
18 the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935 and
19 936), as follows: cost of rural electric loans, \$11,922,000,
20 and the cost of telecommunications loans, \$3,210,000:
21 *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 305(d)(2) of the
22 Rural Electrification Act of 1936, borrower interest rates
23 may exceed 7 percent per year.

24 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
25 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,

1 ~~\$31,046,000~~, which shall be transferred to and merged
2 with the appropriation for “Rural Utilities Service, Sala-
3 ries and Expenses”.

4 RURAL TELEPHONE BANK PROGRAM ACCOUNT
5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

6 The Rural Telephone Bank is hereby authorized to
7 make such expenditures, within the limits of funds avail-
8 able to such corporation in accord with law, and to make
9 such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal
10 year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Govern-
11 ment Corporation Control Act, as may be necessary in ear-
12 rying out its authorized programs. During fiscal year 2000
13 and within the resources and authority available, gross ob-
14 ligations for the principal amount of direct loans shall be
15 ~~\$175,000,000~~.

16 For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-
17 gressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modi-
18 fying loans, of direct loans authorized by the Rural Elec-
19 trification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935), ~~\$3,290,000~~.

20 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
21 carry out the loan programs, ~~\$3,000,000~~, which shall be
22 transferred to and merged with the appropriation for
23 “Rural Utilities Service, Salaries and Expenses”.

1 DISTANCE LEARNING AND TELEMEDICINE PROGRAM

2 For the cost of direct loans and grants, as authorized
 3 by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa et seq., \$16,700,000, to remain avail-
 4 able until expended, to be available for loans and grants
 5 for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural
 6 areas: *Provided*, That the costs of direct loans shall be
 7 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act
 8 of 1974.

9 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

10 For necessary expenses of the Rural Utilities Service,
 11 including administering the programs authorized by the
 12 Rural Electrification Act of 1936, and the Consolidated
 13 Farm and Rural Development Act, and for cooperative
 14 agreements, \$34,107,000: *Provided*, That this appropria-
 15 tion shall be available for employment pursuant to the sec-
 16 ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944
 17 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$105,000 may be used
 18 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

19 TITLE IV

20 DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS

21 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD,

22 NUTRITION AND CONSUMER SERVICES

23 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
 24 the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer

1 Services to administer the laws enacted by the Congress
 2 for the Food and Nutrition Service, \$554,000.

3 FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

4 CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

6 For necessary expenses to carry out the National
 7 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), except section
 8 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771
 9 et seq.), except sections 17 and 21, \$9,547,028,000, to
 10 remain available through September 30, 2001, of which
 11 \$4,611,829,000 is hereby appropriated and
 12 \$4,935,199,000 shall be derived by transfer from funds
 13 available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935
 14 (7 U.S.C. 612e): *Provided*, That none of the funds made
 15 available under this heading shall be used for studies and
 16 evaluations: *Provided further*, That up to \$4,363,000 shall
 17 be available for independent verification of school food
 18 service claims: *Provided further*, That none of the funds
 19 under this heading shall be available unless the value of
 20 bonus commodities provided under section 32 of the Act
 21 of August 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 774, chapter 641; 7 U.S.C.
 22 612e), and section 416 of the Agricultural Act of 1949
 23 (7 U.S.C. 1431) is included in meeting the minimum com-
 24 modity assistance requirement of section 6(g) of the Na-
 25 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(g)).

1 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR
 2 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

3 For necessary expenses to carry out the special sup-
 4 plemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17
 5 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),
 6 \$4,005,000,000, to remain available through September
 7 30, 2001: *Provided*, That none of the funds made available
 8 under this heading shall be used for studies and evalua-
 9 tions: *Provided further*, That of the total amount available,
 10 the Secretary shall obligate \$10,000,000 for the farmers'
 11 market nutrition program within 45 days of the enactment
 12 of this Act, and an additional \$5,000,000 for the farmers'
 13 market nutrition program from any funds not needed to
 14 maintain current caseload levels: *Provided further*, That
 15 none of the funds in this Act shall be available to pay
 16 administrative expenses of WIC clinics except those that
 17 have an announced policy of prohibiting smoking within
 18 the space used to carry out the program: *Provided further*,
 19 That none of the funds provided in this account shall be
 20 available for the purchase of infant formula except in ac-
 21 cordance with the cost containment and competitive bid-
 22 ding requirements specified in section 17 of the Child Nu-
 23 trition Act of 1966.

24 FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

25 For necessary expenses to carry out the Food Stamp
 26 Act (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), \$21,577,444,000, of which

1 \$100,000,000 shall be placed in reserve for use only in
 2 such amounts and at such times as may become necessary
 3 to carry out program operations: *Provided*, That none of
 4 the funds made available under this head shall be used
 5 for studies and evaluations: *Provided further*, That funds
 6 provided herein shall be expended in accordance with sec-
 7 tion 16 of the Food Stamp Act: *Provided further*, That
 8 this appropriation shall be subject to any work registration
 9 or workfare requirements as may be required by law: *Pro-*
 10 *vided further*, That funds made available for Employment
 11 and Training under this head shall remain available until
 12 expended, as authorized by section 16(h)(1) of the Food
 13 Stamp Act.

14 COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

15 For necessary expenses to carry out the commodity
 16 supplemental food program as authorized by section 4(a)
 17 of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973
 18 (7 U.S.C. 612e note) and the Emergency Food Assistance
 19 Act of 1983, \$141,000,000 (increased by \$10,000,000),
 20 to remain available through September 30, 2001: *Pro-*
 21 *vided*, That none of these funds shall be available to reim-
 22 burse the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities
 23 donated to the program.

24 FOOD DONATIONS PROGRAMS

25 For necessary expenses to carry out section 4(a) of
 26 the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7

1 U.S.C. 612e note); special assistance for the nuclear af-
 2 fected islands as authorized by section 103(h)(2) of the
 3 Compacts of Free Association Act of 1985, as amended;
 4 and section 311 of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42
 5 U.S.C. 3030a), \$141,081,000, to remain available through
 6 September 30, 2001.

7 FOOD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

8 For necessary administrative expenses of the domes-
 9 tic food programs funded under this Act, \$108,561,000,
 10 of which \$5,000,000 shall be available only for simplifying
 11 procedures, reducing overhead costs, tightening regula-
 12 tions, improving food stamp coupon handling, and assist-
 13 ance in the prevention, identification, and prosecution of
 14 fraud and other violations of law: *Provided*, That this ap-
 15 propriation shall be available for employment pursuant to
 16 the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act
 17 of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$150,000 shall
 18 be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

19 TITLE V

20 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED 21 PROGRAMS

22 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SALES 23 MANAGER

24 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

25 For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural
 26 Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural

1 Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1761–1768), market development
 2 activities abroad, and for enabling the Secretary to coordi-
 3 nate and integrate activities of the Department in connec-
 4 tion with foreign agricultural work, including not to exceed
 5 \$128,000 for representation allowances and for expenses
 6 pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956
 7 (7 U.S.C. 1766), \$137,768,000: *Provided*, That the Serv-
 8 ice may utilize advances of funds, or reimburse this appro-
 9 priation for expenditures made on behalf of Federal agen-
 10 cies, public and private organizations and institutions
 11 under agreements executed pursuant to the agricultural
 12 food production assistance programs (7 U.S.C. 1736) and
 13 the foreign assistance programs of the United States
 14 Agency for International Development.

15 None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall
 16 be available to promote the sale or export of tobacco or
 17 tobacco products.

18 PUBLIC LAW 480 PROGRAM ACCOUNT

19 For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-
 20 gressional Budget Act of 1974, of Public Law 83–480 title
 21 I credit agreements, including the cost of modifying credit
 22 arrangements under said Act, \$165,400,000, to remain
 23 available until expended.

24 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
 25 such title I credit program, and the Food for Progress

1 Act of 1985, as amended, to the extent funds appropriated
 2 for Public Law 83-480 are utilized, \$1,938,000, of which
 3 not to exceed \$1,093,000 may be transferred to and
 4 merged with "Salaries and Expenses", Foreign Agricul-
 5 tural Service, and of which not to exceed \$845,000 may
 6 be transferred to and merged with "Salaries and Ex-
 7 penses", Farm Service Agency (7 U.S.C. 1691, 1701-04,
 8 1731-36g-3, and 2209b).

9 PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE I OCEAN FREIGHT

10 DIFFERENTIAL GRANTS

11 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not oth-
 12 erwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, in-
 13 cluding interest thereon under the Agricultural Trade De-
 14 velopment and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended,
 15 \$14,000,000 (reduced by \$3,000,000), to remain available
 16 until expended for ocean freight differential costs for the
 17 shipment of agricultural commodities pursuant to title I
 18 of said Act, including Food for Progress programs as au-
 19 thorized by the Food for Progress Act of 1985, as amend-
 20 ed: *Provided*, That funds made available for the cost of
 21 title I agreements and for title I ocean freight differential
 22 may be used interchangeably between the two accounts (7
 23 U.S.C. 1701b and 2209b).

PUBLIC LAW 480 GRANTS—TITLES II AND III

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For expenses during the current fiscal year, not otherwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, including interest thereon, under the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended, \$837,000,000 for commodities supplied in connection with dispositions abroad pursuant to title II of said Act: *Provided*, That sums made available to carry out title II or title III of said Act shall remain available until September 30, 2003 (7 U.S.C. 1691, 1721–26a, 1727–27e, 1731–36g–3, 1737, and 2209b).

Of the funds made available by this Act to carry out the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, not to exceed 15 percent of the funds made available to carry out any title of said Act may be used to carry out any other title of said Act.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT LOANS

PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For administrative expenses to carry out the Commodity Credit Corporation's export guarantee program; GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$4,085,000; to cover common overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity

1 with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, of which
 2 \$3,413,000 may be transferred to and merged with the
 3 appropriation for “Foreign Agricultural Service and Gen-
 4 eral Sales Manager” and \$672,000 may be transferred to
 5 and merged with the appropriation for “Farm Service
 6 Agency, Salaries and Expenses”.

7 TITLE VI

8 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND 9 RELATED AGENCIES

10 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN 11 SERVICES

12 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

13 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

14 For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Ad-
 15 ministration, including hire and purchase of passenger
 16 motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related
 17 costs pursuant to Public Law 92-313 for programs and
 18 activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are
 19 included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space
 20 in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; and for miscella-
 21 neous and emergency expenses of enforcement activities;
 22 authorized and approved by the Secretary and to be ac-
 23 counted for solely on the Secretary’s certificate, not to ex-
 24 ceed \$25,000; \$1,218,384,000, of which not to exceed
 25 \$145,434,000 in prescription drug user fees authorized by

1 21 U.S.C. 379(h) may be credited to this appropriation
 2 and remain available until expended: *Provided*, That no
 3 more than \$100,180,000 shall be for payments to the Gen-
 4 eral Services Administration for rent and related costs.

5 In addition, mammography user fees authorized by
 6 42 U.S.C. 263(b) may be credited to this account, to re-
 7 main available until expended.

8 In addition, export certification user fees authorized
 9 by 21 U.S.C. 381 may be credited to this account, to re-
 10 main available until expended.

11 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

12 For plans, construction, repair, improvement, exten-
 13 sion, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facili-
 14 ties of or used by the Food and Drug Administration,
 15 where not otherwise provided, \$31,750,000, to remain
 16 available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

17 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

18 COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

19 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
 20 of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), in-
 21 cluding the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles;
 22 the rental of space (to include multiple year leases) in the
 23 District of Columbia and elsewhere; and not to exceed
 24 \$25,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109,
 25 \$65,000,000, including not to exceed \$2,000 for official
 26 reception and representation expenses: *Provided*, That the

1 Commission is authorized to charge reasonable fees to
 2 attendees of Commission sponsored educational events and
 3 symposia to cover the Commission's costs of providing
 4 those events and symposia, and notwithstanding 31 U.S.C.
 5 3302, said fees shall be credited to this account, to be
 6 available without further appropriation.

7 FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

8 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

9 Not to exceed \$35,800,000 (from assessments col-
 10 lected from farm credit institutions and from the Federal
 11 Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated
 12 during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses
 13 as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249: *Provided*, That this
 14 limitation shall not apply to expenses associated with re-
 15 ceiverships.

16 TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

17 SEC. 701. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law,
 18 appropriations and authorizations made for the Depart-
 19 ment of Agriculture for the fiscal year 2000 under this
 20 Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those
 21 specifically provided for, of not to exceed 365 passenger
 22 motor vehicles, of which 361 shall be for replacement only,
 23 and for the hire of such vehicles.

24 SEC. 702. Funds in this Act available to the Depart-
 25 ment of Agriculture shall be available for uniforms or al-

1 lowances therefor as authorized by law (~~5 U.S.C. 5901–~~
2 ~~5902~~).

3 ~~SEC. 703.~~ Not less than \$1,500,000 of the appropria-
4 tions of the Department of Agriculture in this Act for re-
5 search and service work authorized by the Acts of August
6 14, 1946, and July 28, 1954 (~~7 U.S.C. 427 and 1621–~~
7 ~~1629~~), and by chapter ~~63~~ of title 31, United States Code,
8 shall be available for contracting in accordance with said
9 Acts and chapter.

10 ~~SEC. 704.~~ The cumulative total of transfers to the
11 Working Capital Fund for the purpose of accumulating
12 growth capital for data services and National Finance
13 Center operations shall not exceed \$2,000,000: *Provided,*
14 That no funds in this Act appropriated to an agency of
15 the Department shall be transferred to the Working Cap-
16 ital Fund without the approval of the agency adminis-
17 trator.

18 ~~SEC. 705.~~ New obligational authority provided for the
19 following appropriation items in this Act shall remain
20 available until expended (~~7 U.S.C. 2209b~~): Animal and
21 Plant Health Inspection Service, the contingency fund to
22 meet emergency conditions, fruit fly program, integrated
23 systems acquisition project, boll weevil program, up to 10
24 percent of the screwworm program, and up to \$2,000,000
25 for costs associated with collocating regional offices; Farm

1 Service Agency, salaries and expenses funds made avail-
2 able to county committees; and Foreign Agricultural Serv-
3 ice; middle-income country training program.

4 New obligational authority for the Food Safety and
5 Inspection Service; field automation and information man-
6 agement project; funds appropriated for rental payments;
7 funds for the Native American Institutions Endowment
8 Fund in the Cooperative State Research, Education, and
9 Extension Service; and funds for the competitive research
10 grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), shall remain available until ex-
11 pended.

12 SEC. 706. No part of any appropriation contained in
13 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
14 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

15 SEC. 707. Not to exceed \$50,000 of the appropria-
16 tions available to the Department of Agriculture in this
17 Act shall be available to provide appropriate orientation
18 and language training pursuant to Public Law 94-449.

19 SEC. 708. No funds appropriated by this Act may be
20 used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative
21 agreements or similar arrangements between the United
22 States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-
23 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of
24 the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative ar-
25 rangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest

1 between the two parties. This does not preclude appro-
2 priate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts
3 with such institutions when such indirect costs are com-
4 puted on a similar basis for all agencies for which appro-
5 priations are provided in this Act.

6 SEC. 709. Notwithstanding any other provision of
7 this Act, commodities acquired by the Department in con-
8 nection with Commodity Credit Corporation and section
9 32 price support operations may be used, as authorized
10 by law (15 U.S.C. 714e and 7 U.S.C. 612e), to provide
11 commodities to individuals in cases of hardship as deter-
12 mined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

13 SEC. 710. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
14 able to restrict the authority of the Commodity Credit
15 Corporation to lease space for its own use or to lease space
16 on behalf of other agencies of the Department of Agri-
17 culture when such space will be jointly occupied.

18 SEC. 711. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
19 able to pay indirect costs charged against agricultural re-
20 search, education, or extension grant awards issued by the
21 Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension
22 Service that exceed 19 percent of total Federal funds pro-
23 vided under each award: *Provided*, That notwithstanding
24 section 1462 of the National Agricultural Research, Ex-
25 tension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3310),

1 funds provided by this Act for grants awarded competi-
2 tively by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and
3 Extension Service shall be available to pay full allowable
4 indirect costs for each grant awarded under the Small
5 Business Innovation Development Act of 1982, Public
6 Law 97-219 (15 U.S.C. 638).

7 ~~SEC. 712.~~ Notwithstanding any other provision of
8 this Act, all loan levels provided in this Act shall be consid-
9 ered estimates, not limitations.

10 ~~SEC. 713.~~ Appropriations for the Rural Housing In-
11 surance Fund Program Account for the cost of direct and
12 guaranteed loans made available in fiscal years 1994,
13 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999 shall remain available
14 until expended to cover obligations made in each of those
15 fiscal years respectively in accordance with 31 U.S.C.
16 1557.

17 ~~SEC. 714.~~ Appropriations to the Department of Agri-
18 culture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made
19 available in fiscal year 2000 shall remain available until
20 expended to cover obligations made in fiscal year 2000 for
21 the following accounts: the rural development loan fund
22 program account; the Rural Telephone Bank program ac-
23 count; the rural electrification and telecommunications
24 loans program account; the Rural Housing Insurance

1 Fund Program Account; and the rural economic develop-
2 ment loans program account.

3 SEC. 715. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal
4 year 2000 pay raises for programs funded by this Act shall
5 be absorbed within the levels appropriated by this Act.

6 SEC. 716. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and
7 Cooperative Agreement Act, marketing services of the Ag-
8 ricultural Marketing Service; Grain Inspection, Packers
9 and Stockyards Administration; the Animal and Plant
10 Health Inspection Service; and the food safety activities
11 of the Food Safety and Inspection Service may use cooper-
12 ative agreements to reflect a relationship between the Ag-
13 ricultural Marketing Service; the Grain Inspection, Pack-
14 ers and Stockyards Administration; the Animal and Plant
15 Health Inspection Service; or the Food Safety and Inspec-
16 tion Service and a State or Cooperator to carry out agri-
17 cultural marketing programs; to carry out programs to
18 protect the Nation's animal and plant resources; or to
19 carry out educational programs or special studies to im-
20 prove the safety of the Nation's food supply.

21 SEC. 717. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and
22 Cooperative Agreement Act, the Natural Resources Con-
23 servation Service may enter into contracts, grants, or co-
24 operative agreements with a State agency or subdivision,
25 or a public or private organization, for the acquisition of

1 goods or services, including personal services, to carry out
2 natural resources conservation activities: *Provided, That*
3 Commodity Credit Corporation funds obligated for such
4 purposes shall not exceed the level obligated by the Com-
5 modity Credit Corporation for such purposes in fiscal year
6 1998.

7 SEC. 718. None of the funds in this Act may be used
8 to retire more than 5 percent of the Class A stock of the
9 Rural Telephone Bank or to maintain any account or sub-
10 account within the accounting records of the Rural Tele-
11 phone Bank the creation of which has not specifically been
12 authorized by statute: *Provided, That* notwithstanding any
13 other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or
14 otherwise made available in this Act may be used to trans-
15 fer to the Treasury or to the Federal Financing Bank any
16 unobligated balance of the Rural Telephone Bank tele-
17 phone liquidating account which is in excess of current
18 requirements and such balance shall receive interest as set
19 forth for financial accounts in section 505(c) of the Fed-
20 eral Credit Reform Act of 1990.

21 SEC. 719. Of the funds made available by this Act,
22 not more than \$1,800,000 shall be used to cover necessary
23 expenses of activities related to all advisory committees,
24 panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department
25 of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with nego-

1 tiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competi-
2 tively awarded grants: *Provided*, That interagency funding
3 is authorized to carry out the purposes of the National
4 Drought Policy Commission.

5 SEC. 720. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
6 may be used to carry out the provisions of section 918
7 of Public Law 104-127, the Federal Agriculture Improve-
8 ment and Reform Act.

9 SEC. 721. No employee of the Department of Agri-
10 culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or
11 office funded by this Act to any other agency or office
12 of the Department for more than 30 days unless the indi-
13 vidual's employing agency or office is fully reimbursed by
14 the receiving agency or office for the salary and expenses
15 of the employee for the period of assignment.

16 SEC. 722. None of the funds appropriated or other-
17 wise made available to the Department of Agriculture
18 shall be used to transmit or otherwise make available to
19 any non-Department of Agriculture employee questions or
20 responses to questions that are a result of information re-
21 quested for the appropriations hearing process.

22 SEC. 723. None of the funds made available to the
23 Department of Agriculture by this Act may be used to ac-
24 quire new information technology systems or significant
25 upgrades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Infor-

1 mation Officer, without the approval of the Chief Informa-
2 tion Officer and the concurrence of the Executive Informa-
3 tion Technology Investment Review Board: *Provided*, That
4 notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the
5 funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this
6 Act may be transferred to the Office of the Chief Informa-
7 tion Officer without the prior approval of the Committee
8 on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

9 SEC. 724. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act,
10 or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agen-
11 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation
12 or expenditure in fiscal year 2000, or provided from any
13 accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by
14 the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by
15 this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure
16 through a reprogramming of funds which: (1) creates new
17 programs; (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;
18 (3) increases funds or personnel by any means for any
19 project or activity for which funds have been denied or
20 restricted; (4) relocates an office or employees; (5) reorga-
21 nizes offices, programs, or activities; or (6) contracts out
22 or privatizes any functions or activities presently per-
23 formed by Federal employees; unless the Committee on
24 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress are notified
25 fifteen days in advance of such reprogramming of funds.

1 (b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-
2 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies
3 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or
4 expenditure in fiscal year 2000, or provided from any ac-
5 counts in the Treasury of the United States derived by
6 the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by
7 this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure
8 for activities, programs, or projects through a reprogram-
9 ming of funds in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, which-
10 ever is less, that: (1) augments existing programs,
11 projects, or activities; (2) reduces by 10 percent funding
12 for any existing program, project, or activity, or numbers
13 of personnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or
14 (3) results from any general savings from a reduction in
15 personnel which would result in a change in existing pro-
16 grams, activities, or projects as approved by Congress; un-
17 less the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses of
18 Congress are notified fifteen days in advance of such re-
19 programming of funds.

20 SEC. 725. None of the funds appropriated or other-
21 wise made available by this Act or any other Act may be
22 used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry
23 out the Fund for Rural America Program, authorized by
24 section 793 of Public Law 104-127, with the exception

1 of funds made available under that section on January 1,
2 1997.

3 ~~SEC. 726.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
4 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
5 salaries and expenses of personnel who carry out an envi-
6 ronmental quality incentives program authorized by sec-
7 tions ~~334-341~~ of Public Law ~~104-127~~ in excess of
8 \$174,000,000.

9 ~~SEC. 727.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
10 wise available to the Department of Agriculture may be
11 used to administer the provision of contract payments to
12 a producer under the Agricultural Market Transition Act
13 (~~7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.~~) for contract acreage on which wild
14 rice is planted unless the contract payment is reduced by
15 an acre for each contract acre planted to wild rice.

16 ~~SEC. 728.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
17 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
18 salaries and expenses of personnel to enroll in excess of
19 120,000 acres in the fiscal year 2000 wetlands reserve
20 program as authorized by ~~16 U.S.C. 3837.~~

21 ~~SEC. 729.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
22 wise made available by this or any other Act shall be used
23 to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out
24 the provisions of section 401 of Public Law ~~105-185~~, the
25 Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems.

1 ~~SEC. 730.~~ Notwithstanding section ~~381A~~ of the Con-
2 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
3 2009), the definitions of rural areas for certain business
4 programs administered by the Rural Business-Cooperative
5 Service and the community facilities programs adminis-
6 tered by the Rural Housing Service shall be those provided
7 for in statute and regulations prior to the enactment of
8 Public Law 104–127.

9 ~~SEC. 731.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
10 wise made available by this Act shall be used to carry out
11 any commodity purchase program that would prohibit eli-
12 gibility or participation by farmer-owned cooperatives.

13 ~~SEC. 732.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
14 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
15 salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out a conserva-
16 tion farm option program, as authorized by section ~~335~~
17 of Public Law 104–127.

18 ~~SEC. 733.~~ None of the funds appropriated by this Act
19 or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and
20 expenses of personnel who prepare or submit appropria-
21 tions language as part of the President’s Budget submis-
22 sion to the Congress of the United States for programs
23 under the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Subcommit-
24 tees on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related
25 Agencies that assumes revenues or reflects a reduction

1 from the previous year due to user fees proposals that
2 have not been enacted into law prior to the submission
3 of the Budget unless such Budget submission identifies
4 which additional spending reductions should occur in the
5 event the user fees proposals are not enacted prior to the
6 date of the convening of a committee of conference for
7 the fiscal year 2001 appropriations Act.

8 SEC. 734. None of the funds appropriated or other-
9 wise made available by this Act shall be used to establish
10 an Office of Community Food Security or any similar of-
11 fice within the United States Department of Agriculture
12 without the prior approval of the Committee on Appro-
13 priations of both Houses of Congress.

14 SEC. 735. None of the funds appropriated or other-
15 wise made available by this or any other Act may be used
16 to carry out the provisions of section 612 of Public Law
17 105–185, the National Swine Research Center.

18 SEC. 736. (a) None of the funds appropriated or oth-
19 erwise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
20 salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out the emer-
21 gency food assistance program authorized by section 27(a)
22 of the Food Stamp Act (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)) if such pro-
23 gram exceeds \$99,000,000.

24 (b) In addition to amounts otherwise appropriated or
25 made available by this Act, \$1,000,000 is appropriated for

1 the purpose of providing Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland
2 Hunger Fellowships through the Congressional Hunger
3 Center, which is an organization described in subsection
4 (c)(3) of section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
5 and is exempt from taxation under subsection (a) of such
6 section.

7 SEC. 737. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
8 shall be used to propose or issue rules, regulations, de-
9 crees, or orders for the purpose of implementation, or in
10 preparation for implementation of the Kyoto Protocol
11 which was adopted on December 11, 1997, in Kyoto,
12 Japan.

13 SEC. 738. After March 1, 2000, none of the funds
14 appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may
15 be used by the Secretary of Agriculture—

16 (1) to permit the importation of meat or meat
17 food products under subsections (a) and (f) of sec-
18 tion 20 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21
19 U.S.C. 620) from any foreign country in violation of
20 subsection (f) of such section; and

21 (2) to permit the importation of poultry or
22 poultry products under subsection (a) of section 17
23 of the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C.
24 466) from any foreign country in violation of sub-
25 section (d) of such section.

1 SEC. 739. None of the funds appropriated or other-
2 wise made available by this Act may be expended by an
3 entity unless the entity agrees that in expending the as-
4 sistance the entity will comply with sections 2 through 4
5 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.S.C. 10a–10e; popu-
6 larly known as the “Buy American Act”).

7 SEC. 740. (a) PURCHASE OF AMERICAN-MADE
8 EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS.—In the case of any equip-
9 ment or products that may be purchased using financial
10 assistance provided using funds appropriated or otherwise
11 made available by this Act, it is the sense of the Congress
12 that entities receiving such assistance should, in expending
13 the assistance, purchase only American-made equipment
14 and products.

15 (b) NOTICE TO RECIPIENTS OF ASSISTANCE.—In
16 providing financial assistance using funds appropriated or
17 otherwise made available by this Act, the Federal agency
18 providing the assistance shall provide to each recipient of
19 the assistance a notice describing the statement made in
20 subsection (a) by the Congress.

21 SEC. 741. If it has been finally determined by a court
22 or Federal agency that any person intentionally affixed a
23 label bearing a “Made in America” inscription, or any in-
24 scription with the same meaning, to any product sold in
25 or shipped to the United States that is not made in the

1 United States, such person shall be ineligible to receive
 2 any contract or subcontract made with funds appropriated
 3 or otherwise made available by this Act, pursuant to the
 4 debarment, suspension, and ineligibility procedures de-
 5 scribed in section 9.400 through 9.409 of title 48, Code
 6 of Federal Regulations.

7 ~~SEC. 742.~~ None of the funds appropriated or other-
 8 wise made available by this Act may be used by the Food
 9 and Drug Administration for the testing, development, or
 10 approval (including approval of production, manufac-
 11 turing, or distribution) of any drug for the chemical in-
 12 ducement of abortion.

13 ~~SEC. 743.~~ Notwithstanding any other provision of
 14 this Act, appropriations under this Art for the following
 15 agencies and activities are hereby reduced to the following
 16 respective amounts:

17 Agriculture Buildings and Facilities and Rental
 18 Payments:

19 Repairs, Renovation, and Construction, \$0.

20 Cooperative State Research, Education, and
 21 Extension Service:

22 Integrated Activities, \$0.

23 Agricultural Research Service:

24 Buildings and Facilities, \$0.

25 Rural Housing Service:

1 Rural Housing Insurance Fund Program

2 ~~Account:~~

3 ~~Administrative Expenses,~~

4 ~~\$375,879,000.~~

5 Food and Drug Administration:

6 Salaries and Expenses, \$1,198,384,000.

7 This Act may be cited as the “Agriculture, Rural De-
8 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
9 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000”.

10 *That the following sums are appropriated, out of any*
11 *money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for Ag-*
12 *riculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administra-*
13 *tion, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year end-*
14 *ing September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, namely:*

15 *TITLE I*

16 *AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS*

17 *PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND MARKETING*

18 *OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY*

19 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

20 *For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary*
21 *of Agriculture, and not to exceed \$75,000 for employment*
22 *under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$2,836,000: Provided, That not to ex-*
23 *ceed \$11,000 of this amount, along with any unobligated*
24 *balances of representation funds in the Foreign Agricultural*
25 *Service, shall be available for official reception and rep-*

1 *resentation expenses, not otherwise provided for, as deter-*
 2 *mined by the Secretary: Provided further, That none of the*
 3 *funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act*
 4 *may be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel*
 5 *of the Department of Agriculture to carry out section*
 6 *793(c)(1)(C) of Public Law 104–127: Provided further,*
 7 *That none of the funds made available by this Act may*
 8 *be used to enforce section 793(d) of Public Law 104–127.*

9 *EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS*

10 *CHIEF ECONOMIST*

11 *For necessary expenses of the Chief Economist, includ-*
 12 *ing economic analysis, risk assessment, cost-benefit anal-*
 13 *ysis, energy and new uses, and the functions of the World*
 14 *Agricultural Outlook Board, as authorized by the Agricul-*
 15 *tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622g), and includ-*
 16 *ing employment pursuant to the second sentence of section*
 17 *706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which*
 18 *not to exceed \$5,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C.*
 19 *3109, \$6,411,000.*

20 *NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION*

21 *For necessary expenses of the National Appeals Divi-*
 22 *sion, including employment pursuant to the second sentence*
 23 *of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.*
 24 *2225), of which not to exceed \$25,000 is for employment*
 25 *under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$11,718,000.*

1 *OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS*

2 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and Pro-*
3 *gram Analysis, including employment pursuant to the sec-*
4 *ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944*
5 *(7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$5,000 is for em-*
6 *ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$6,583,000.*

7 *OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER*

8 *For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Infor-*
9 *mation Officer, including employment pursuant to the sec-*
10 *ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944*
11 *(7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000 is for em-*
12 *ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,551,000.*

13 *OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER*

14 *For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Finan-*
15 *cial Officer, including employment pursuant to the second*
16 *sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7*
17 *U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000 is for employ-*
18 *ment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,283,000: Provided, That the*
19 *Chief Financial Officer shall actively market cross-servicing*
20 *activities of the National Finance Center.*

21 *OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR*
22 *ADMINISTRATION*

23 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
24 *Assistant Secretary for Administration to carry out the*
25 *programs funded by this Act, \$613,000.*

1 *AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND RENTAL*2 *PAYMENTS*3 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

4 *For payment of space rental and related costs pursu-*
5 *ant to Public Law 92-313, including authorities pursuant*
6 *to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Administrator*
7 *of General Services to the Department of Agriculture under*
8 *40 U.S.C. 486, for programs and activities of the Depart-*
9 *ment which are included in this Act, and for the operation,*
10 *maintenance, and repair of Agriculture buildings,*
11 *\$140,364,000: Provided, That in the event an agency within*
12 *the Department should require modification of space needs,*
13 *the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer a share of that*
14 *agency's appropriation made available by this Act to this*
15 *appropriation, or may transfer a share of this appropri-*
16 *ation to that agency's appropriation, but such transfers shall*
17 *not exceed 5 percent of the funds made available for space*
18 *rental and related costs to or from this account. In addition,*
19 *for construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration,*
20 *and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as necessary*
21 *to carry out the programs of the Department, where not*
22 *otherwise provided, \$5,000,000, to remain available until*
23 *expended; making a total appropriation of \$145,364,000.*

HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Department of Agriculture, to comply with the requirement of section 107(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and section 6001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6961, \$15,700,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That appropriations and funds available herein to the Department for Hazardous Waste Management may be transferred to any agency of the Department for its use in meeting all requirements pursuant to the above Acts on Federal and non-Federal lands.

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For Departmental Administration, \$34,738,000, to provide for necessary expenses for management support services to offices of the Department and for general administration and disaster management of the Department, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work of the Department, including employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C.

1 3109: *Provided, That this appropriation shall be reim-*
 2 *bursed from applicable appropriations in this Act for travel*
 3 *expenses incident to the holding of hearings as required by*
 4 *5 U.S.C. 551–558.*

5 *OUTREACH FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS*

6 *For grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501 of*
 7 *the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990*
 8 *(7 U.S.C. 2279), \$3,000,000, to remain available until ex-*
 9 *pendent.*

10 *OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR*

11 *CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS*

12 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

13 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
 14 *Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to carry out*
 15 *the programs funded by this Act, including programs in-*
 16 *volving intergovernmental affairs and liaison within the ex-*
 17 *ecutive branch, \$3,668,000: Provided, That no other funds*
 18 *appropriated to the Department by this Act shall be avail-*
 19 *able to the Department for support of activities of congres-*
 20 *sional relations: Provided further, That not less than*
 21 *\$2,241,000 shall be transferred to agencies funded by this*
 22 *Act to maintain personnel at the agency level.*

23 *OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS*

24 *For necessary expenses to carry on services relating to*
 25 *the coordination of programs involving public affairs, for*
 26 *the dissemination of agricultural information, and the co-*

1 *ordination of information, work, and programs authorized*
2 *by Congress in the Department, \$8,138,000, including em-*
3 *ployment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a)*
4 *of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not*
5 *to exceed \$10,000 shall be available for employment under*
6 *5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$2,000,000 may be used*
7 *for farmers' bulletins.*

8 *OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL*
9 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

10 *For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector*
11 *General, including employment pursuant to the second sen-*
12 *tence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.*
13 *2225), and the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$65,128,000,*
14 *including such sums as may be necessary for contracting*
15 *and other arrangements with public agencies and private*
16 *persons pursuant to section 6(a)(9) of the Inspector General*
17 *Act of 1978, including a sum not to exceed \$50,000 for em-*
18 *ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; and including a sum not*
19 *to exceed \$125,000 for certain confidential operational ex-*
20 *penses, including the payment of informants, to be expended*
21 *under the direction of the Inspector General pursuant to*
22 *Public Law 95-452 and section 1337 of Public Law 97-*
23 *98.*

1 *OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL*

2 *For necessary expenses of the Office of the General*
 3 *Counsel, \$30,094,000.*

4 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH,*
 5 *EDUCATION AND ECONOMICS*

6 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
 7 *Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics*
 8 *to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for the Eco-*
 9 *nomie Research Service, the National Agricultural Statis-*
 10 *tics Service, the Agricultural Research Service, and the Co-*
 11 *operative State Research, Education, and Extension Serv-*
 12 *ice, \$540,000.*

13 *ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE*

14 *For necessary expenses of the Economic Research Serv-*
 15 *ice in conducting economic research and analysis, as au-*
 16 *thorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7*
 17 *U.S.C. 1621–1627) and other laws, \$62,919,000: Provided,*
 18 *That \$2,500,000 shall be transferred to and merged with*
 19 *the appropriation for “Food and Nutrition Service, Food*
 20 *Program Administration” for studies and evaluations: Pro-*
 21 *vided further, That not more than \$500,000 of the amount*
 22 *transferred under the preceding proviso shall be available*
 23 *to conduct, not later than 180 days after the date of enact-*
 24 *ment of this Act, a study based on all available administra-*
 25 *tive data and onsite inspections conducted by the Secretary*

1 of Agriculture of local food stamp offices in each State, of
 2 (1) reasons for the decline in participation in the food
 3 stamp program, and (2) any problems that households with
 4 eligible children have experienced in obtaining food stamps,
 5 and to report the results of the study to the Committees on
 6 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress and to the Com-
 7 mittee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and
 8 the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of
 9 the Senate: Provided further, That this appropriation shall
 10 be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence
 11 of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.
 12 2225): Provided further, That university research shall be
 13 reduced below the fiscal year 1999 level by \$2,000,000.

14 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

15 For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural
 16 Statistics Service in conducting statistical reporting and
 17 service work, including crop and livestock estimates, statis-
 18 tical coordination and improvements, marketing surveys,
 19 and the Census of Agriculture, as authorized by the Agricul-
 20 tural Marketing Act of 1946, the Census of Agriculture Act
 21 of 1997, and other laws, \$99,355,000, of which up to
 22 \$16,490,000 shall be available until expended for the Census
 23 of Agriculture: Provided, That this appropriation shall be
 24 available for employment pursuant to the second sentence
 25 of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944, and not to

1 exceed \$40,000 shall be available for employment under 5
2 U.S.C. 3109.

3 *AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE*

4 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

5 *For necessary expenses to enable the Agricultural Re-*
6 *search Service to perform agricultural research and dem-*
7 *onstration relating to production, utilization, marketing,*
8 *and distribution (not otherwise provided for); home econom-*
9 *ics or nutrition and consumer use including the acquisition,*
10 *preservation, and dissemination of agricultural informa-*
11 *tion; and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange,*
12 *or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100, and for*
13 *land exchanges where the lands exchanged shall be of equal*
14 *value or shall be equalized by a payment of money to the*
15 *grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total value*
16 *of the land or interests transferred out of Federal ownership,*
17 *\$809,499,000: Provided, That appropriations hereunder*
18 *shall be available for temporary employment pursuant to*
19 *the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of*
20 *1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$115,000 shall be*
21 *available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided*
22 *further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available*
23 *for the operation and maintenance of aircraft and the pur-*
24 *chase of not to exceed one for replacement only: Provided*
25 *further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available*

1 pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for the construction, alteration,
2 and repair of buildings and improvements, but unless other-
3 wise provided, the cost of constructing any one building
4 shall not exceed \$250,000, except for headhouses or green-
5 houses which shall each be limited to \$1,000,000, and except
6 for ten buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost
7 not to exceed \$500,000 each, and the cost of altering any
8 one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 per-
9 cent of the current replacement value of the building or
10 \$250,000, whichever is greater: Provided further, That the
11 limitations on alterations contained in this Act shall not
12 apply to modernization or replacement of existing facilities
13 at Beltsville, Maryland: Provided further, That appropria-
14 tions hereunder shall be available for granting easements
15 at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, including an
16 easement to the University of Maryland to construct the
17 Transgenic Animal Facility which upon completion shall
18 be accepted by the Secretary as a gift: Provided further,
19 That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to replace-
20 ment of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April 24,
21 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): Provided further, That funds may
22 be received from any State, other political subdivision, or-
23 ganization, or individual for the purpose of establishing or
24 operating any research facility or research project of the
25 Agricultural Research Service, as authorized by law.

1 *None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall be*
2 *available to carry out research related to the production,*
3 *processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products.*

4 *In fiscal year 2000, the agency is authorized to charge*
5 *fees, commensurate with the fair market value, for any per-*
6 *mit, easement, lease, or other special use authorization for*
7 *the occupancy or use of land and facilities (including land*
8 *and facilities at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center)*
9 *issued by the agency, as authorized by law, and such fees*
10 *shall be credited to this account and shall remain available*
11 *until expended for authorized purposes.*

12 *BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES*

13 *For acquisition of land, construction, repair, improve-*
14 *ment, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equip-*
15 *ment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural*
16 *research programs of the Department of Agriculture, where*
17 *not otherwise provided, \$53,000,000, to remain available*
18 *until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Provided, That funds may*
19 *be received from any State, other political subdivision, or-*
20 *ganization, or individual for the purpose of establishing*
21 *any research facility of the Agricultural Research Service,*
22 *as authorized by law.*

1 *COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND*
2 *EXTENSION SERVICE*
3 *RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES*

4 *For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for*
5 *cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and*
6 *for other expenses, including \$180,545,000 to carry into ef-*
7 *fect the provisions of the Hatch Act (7 U.S.C. 361a–i);*
8 *\$21,932,000 for grants for cooperative forestry research (16*
9 *U.S.C. 582a–a7); \$30,676,000 for payments to the 1890*
10 *land-grant colleges, including Tuskegee University (7*
11 *U.S.C. 3222), of which \$1,000,000 shall be made available*
12 *to West Virginia State College in Institute, West Virginia,*
13 *which for fiscal year 2000 and thereafter shall be designated*
14 *as an eligible institution under section 1445 of the National*
15 *Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act*
16 *of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3222); \$56,901,000 for special grants for*
17 *agricultural research (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)); \$13,721,000 for*
18 *special grants for agricultural research on improved pest*
19 *control (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)); \$114,125,000 for competitive re-*
20 *search grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)); \$5,109,000 for the support*
21 *of animal health and disease programs (7 U.S.C. 3195);*
22 *\$550,000 for supplemental and alternative crops and prod-*
23 *ucts (7 U.S.C. 3319d); \$650,000 for grants for research pur-*
24 *suant to the Critical Agricultural Materials Act of 1984 (7*
25 *U.S.C. 178) and section 1472 of the Food and Agriculture*

1 *Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3318), to remain available until ex-*
 2 *pende; \$500,000 for the 1994 research program (7 U.S.C.*
 3 *301 note); \$3,000,000 for higher education graduate fellow-*
 4 *ship grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(6)), to remain available until*
 5 *expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); \$4,350,000 for higher education*
 6 *challenge grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(1)); \$1,000,000 for a*
 7 *higher education multicultural scholars program (7 U.S.C.*
 8 *3152(b)(5)), to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C.*
 9 *2209b); \$2,850,000 for an education grants program for*
 10 *Hispanic-serving Institutions (7 U.S.C. 3241); \$500,000 for*
 11 *a secondary agriculture education program and two-year*
 12 *post-secondary education (7 U.S.C. 3152(h)); \$4,000,000 for*
 13 *aquaculture grants (7 U.S.C. 3322); \$8,000,000 for sustain-*
 14 *able agriculture research and education (7 U.S.C. 5811);*
 15 *\$9,200,000 for a program of capacity building grants (7*
 16 *U.S.C. 3152(b)(4)) to colleges eligible to receive funds under*
 17 *the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321–326 and 328),*
 18 *including Tuskegee University, to remain available until*
 19 *expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); \$1,552,000 for payments to the*
 20 *1994 Institutions pursuant to section 534(a)(1) of Public*
 21 *Law 103–382; and \$14,216,000 for necessary expenses of*
 22 *Research and Education Activities, of which not to exceed*
 23 *\$100,000 shall be for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; in*
 24 *all, \$473,377,000, of which not less than \$250,000 shall be*
 25 *provided to carry out market analysis programs at the*

1 *Livestock Marketing Information Center in Lakewood, Col-*
 2 *orado.*

3 *None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall be*
 4 *available to carry out research related to the production,*
 5 *processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products.*

6 *NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND*

7 *For establishment of a Native American institutions*
 8 *endowment fund, as authorized by Public Law 103–382 (7*
 9 *U.S.C. 301 note), \$4,600,000.*

10 *EXTENSION ACTIVITIES*

11 *Payments to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto*
 12 *Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, Northern Mar-*
 13 *ianas, and American Samoa: For payments for cooperative*
 14 *extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, to be distributed*
 15 *under sections 3(b) and 3(c) of said Act, and under section*
 16 *208(c) of Public Law 93–471, for retirement and employees’*
 17 *compensation costs for extension agents and for costs of pen-*
 18 *alty mail for cooperative extension agents and State exten-*
 19 *sion directors, \$276,548,000; payments for extension work*
 20 *at the 1994 Institutions under the Smith-Lever Act (7*
 21 *U.S.C. 343(b)(3)), \$3,060,000; payments for the nutrition*
 22 *and family education program for low-income areas under*
 23 *section 3(d) of the Act, \$58,695,000; payments for the pest*
 24 *management program under section 3(d) of the Act,*
 25 *\$10,783,000; payments for the farm safety program under*
 26 *section 3(d) of the Act, \$3,000,000; payments to upgrade*

1 *research, extension, and teaching facilities at the 1890 land-*
 2 *grant colleges, including Tuskegee University, as authorized*
 3 *by section 1447 of Public Law 95–113 (7 U.S.C. 3222b),*
 4 *\$12,000,000, to remain available until expended; payments*
 5 *for the rural development centers under section 3(d) of the*
 6 *Act, \$908,000; payments for youth-at-risk programs under*
 7 *section 3(d) of the Act, \$9,000,000; payments for carrying*
 8 *out the provisions of the Renewable Resources Extension Act*
 9 *of 1978, \$3,192,000; payments for Indian reservation*
 10 *agents under section 3(d) of the Act, \$1,714,000; payments*
 11 *for sustainable agriculture programs under section 3(d) of*
 12 *the Act, \$3,309,000; payments for rural health and safety*
 13 *education as authorized by section 2390 of Public Law 101–*
 14 *624 (7 U.S.C. 2661 note, 2662), \$2,628,000; payments for*
 15 *cooperative extension work by the colleges receiving the ben-*
 16 *efits of the second Morrill Act (7 U.S.C. 321–326 and 328)*
 17 *and Tuskegee University, \$26,843,000, of which \$1,000,000*
 18 *shall be made available to West Virginia State College in*
 19 *Institute, West Virginia, which for fiscal year 2000 and*
 20 *thereafter shall be designated as an eligible institution*
 21 *under section 1444 of the National Agricultural Research,*
 22 *Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C.*
 23 *3221); and for Federal administration and coordination in-*
 24 *cluding administration of the Smith-Lever Act, and the Act*
 25 *of September 29, 1977 (7 U.S.C. 341–349), and section*

1 1361(c) of the Act of October 3, 1980 (7 U.S.C. 301 note),
 2 and to coordinate and provide program leadership for the
 3 extension work of the Department and the several States
 4 and insular possessions, \$10,940,000; in all, \$422,620,000:
 5 Provided, That funds hereby appropriated pursuant to sec-
 6 tion 3(c) of the Act of June 26, 1953, and section 506 of
 7 the Act of June 23, 1972, shall not be paid to any State,
 8 the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, or the Virgin
 9 Islands, Micronesia, Northern Marianas, and American
 10 Samoa prior to availability of an equal sum from non-Fed-
 11 eral sources for expenditure during the current fiscal year.

12 *INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES*

13 *For the integrated research, education, and extension*
 14 *competitive grants programs, including necessary adminis-*
 15 *trative expenses, \$35,541,000, as follows: payments for the*
 16 *water quality program, \$13,000,000; payments for the food*
 17 *safety program, \$15,000,000; payments for the national ag-*
 18 *riculture pesticide impact assessment program, \$4,541,000;*
 19 *payments for the methyl bromide transition program,*
 20 *\$3,000,000, as authorized under section 406 of the Agricul-*
 21 *tural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of*
 22 *1998 (7 U.S.C. 7626).*

1 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MARKETING AND*
2 *REGULATORY PROGRAMS*

3 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
4 *Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs*
5 *to administer programs under the laws enacted by the Con-*
6 *gress for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service,*
7 *the Agricultural Marketing Service, and the Grain Inspec-*
8 *tion, Packers and Stockyards Administration, \$618,000.*

9 *ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE*

10 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

11 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

12 *For expenses, not otherwise provided for, including*
13 *those pursuant to the Act of February 28, 1947 (21 U.S.C.*
14 *114b–c), necessary to prevent, control, and eradicate pests*
15 *and plant and animal diseases; to carry out inspection,*
16 *quarantine, and regulatory activities; to discharge the au-*
17 *thorities of the Secretary of Agriculture under the Act of*
18 *March 2, 1931 (46 Stat. 1468; 7 U.S.C. 426–426b); and*
19 *to protect the environment, as authorized by law,*
20 *\$439,445,000, of which \$4,105,000 shall be available for the*
21 *control of outbreaks of insects, plant diseases, animal dis-*
22 *eases and for control of pest animals and birds to the extent*
23 *necessary to meet emergency conditions: Provided, That no*
24 *funds shall be used to formulate or administer a brucellosis*
25 *eradication program for the current fiscal year that does*
26 *not require minimum matching by the States of at least*

1 40 percent: *Provided further, That of the amounts made*
2 *available under this heading, not less than \$24,970,000*
3 *shall be used for fruit fly exclusion and detection (including*
4 *at least \$6,000,000 for fruit fly exclusion and detection in*
5 *the State of Florida): Provided further, That this appro-*
6 *priation shall be available for field employment pursuant*
7 *to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act*
8 *of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$40,000 shall*
9 *be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided*
10 *further, That this appropriation shall be available for the*
11 *operation and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of*
12 *not to exceed four, of which two shall be for replacement*
13 *only: Provided further, That, in addition, in emergencies*
14 *which threaten any segment of the agricultural production*
15 *industry of this country, the Secretary may transfer from*
16 *other appropriations or funds available to the agencies or*
17 *corporations of the Department such sums as may be*
18 *deemed necessary, to be available only in such emergencies*
19 *for the arrest and eradication of contagious or infectious*
20 *disease or pests of animals, poultry, or plants, and for ex-*
21 *penses in accordance with the Act of February 28, 1947,*
22 *and section 102 of the Act of September 21, 1944, and any*
23 *unexpended balances of funds transferred for such emer-*
24 *gency purposes in the next preceding fiscal year shall be*
25 *merged with such transferred amounts: Provided further,*

1 *That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant*
2 *to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alteration of*
3 *leased buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise*
4 *provided the cost of altering any one building during the*
5 *fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replace-*
6 *ment value of the building.*

7 *In fiscal year 2000, the agency is authorized to collect*
8 *fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assistance,*
9 *goods, or services requested by States, other political sub-*
10 *divisions, domestic and international organizations, foreign*
11 *governments, or individuals, provided that such fees are*
12 *structured such that any entity's liability for such fees is*
13 *reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods, or serv-*
14 *ices provided to the entity by the agency, and such fees shall*
15 *be credited to this account, to remain available until ex-*
16 *pended, without further appropriation, for providing such*
17 *assistance, goods, or services.*

18 *Of the total amount available under this heading in*
19 *fiscal year 2000, \$90,000,000 shall be derived from user fees*
20 *deposited in the Agricultural Quarantine Inspection User*
21 *Fee Account.*

22 *BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES*

23 *For plans, construction, repair, preventive mainte-*
24 *nance, environmental support, improvement, extension, al-*
25 *teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as*
26 *authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as*

1 *authorized by 7 U.S.C. 428a, \$5,200,000, to remain avail-*
 2 *able until expended.*

3 *AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE*

4 *MARKETING SERVICES*

5 *For necessary expenses to carry on services related to*
 6 *consumer protection, agricultural marketing and distribu-*
 7 *tion, transportation, and regulatory programs, as author-*
 8 *ized by law, and for administration and coordination of*
 9 *payments to States, including field employment pursuant*
 10 *to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act*
 11 *of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225) and not to exceed \$90,000 for em-*
 12 *ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$51,229,000, including*
 13 *funds for the wholesale market development program for the*
 14 *design and development of wholesale and farmer market fa-*
 15 *cilities for the major metropolitan areas of the country: Pro-*
 16 *vided, That this appropriation shall be available pursuant*
 17 *to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of*
 18 *buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering any*
 19 *one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 per-*
 20 *cent of the current replacement value of the building.*

21 *Fees may be collected for the cost of standardization*
 22 *activities, as established by regulation pursuant to law (31*
 23 *U.S.C. 9701).*

24 *LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES*

25 *Not to exceed \$60,730,000 (from fees collected) shall be*
 26 *obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative*

1 *expenses: Provided, That if crop size is understated and/*
 2 *or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may exceed*
 3 *this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification to the*
 4 *Appropriations Committees.*

5 *FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND*

6 *SUPPLY (SECTION 32)*

7 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

8 *Funds available under section 32 of the Act of August*
 9 *24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c) shall be used only for commodity*
 10 *program expenses as authorized therein, and other related*
 11 *operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the Depart-*
 12 *ment of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and Wildlife*
 13 *Act of August 8, 1956; (2) transfers otherwise provided in*
 14 *this Act; and (3) not more than \$12,443,000 for formulation*
 15 *and administration of marketing agreements and orders*
 16 *pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of*
 17 *1937 and the Agricultural Act of 1961.*

18 *PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS*

19 *For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus*
 20 *and departments of markets, and similar agencies for mar-*
 21 *keting activities under section 204(b) of the Agricultural*
 22 *Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)), \$1,200,000.*

1 *GRAIN INSPECTION, PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS*2 *ADMINISTRATION*3 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

4 *For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of*
5 *the United States Grain Standards Act, for the administra-*
6 *tion of the Packers and Stockyards Act, for certifying proce-*
7 *dures used to protect purchasers of farm products, and the*
8 *standardization activities related to grain under the Agri-*
9 *cultural Marketing Act of 1946, including field employment*
10 *pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Or-*
11 *ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed*
12 *\$25,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$26,287,000:*
13 *Provided, That this appropriation shall be available pursu-*
14 *ant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair*
15 *of buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering any*
16 *one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 per-*
17 *cent of the current replacement value of the building.*

18 *LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICE*19 *EXPENSES*

20 *Not to exceed \$42,557,000 (from fees collected) shall be*
21 *obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection and*
22 *weighing services: Provided, That if grain export activities*
23 *require additional supervision and oversight, or other un-*
24 *controllable factors occur, this limitation may be exceeded*
25 *by up to 10 percent with notification to the Appropriations*
26 *Committees.*

1 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD SAFETY*

2 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
3 *Under Secretary for Food Safety to administer the laws en-*
4 *acted by the Congress for the Food Safety and Inspection*
5 *Service, \$446,000.*

6 *FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE*

7 *For necessary expenses to carry out services authorized*
8 *by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry Products*
9 *Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection Act,*
10 *\$638,404,000, and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be credited*
11 *to this account from fees collected for the cost of laboratory*
12 *accreditation as authorized by section 1017 of Public Law*
13 *102–237: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be*
14 *available for shell egg surveillance under section 5(d) of the*
15 *Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1034(d)): Provided*
16 *further, That this appropriation shall be available for field*
17 *employment pursuant to the second sentence of section*
18 *706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and*
19 *not to exceed \$75,000 shall be available for employment*
20 *under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, That this appro-*
21 *priation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250)*
22 *for the alteration and repair of buildings and improve-*
23 *ments, but the cost of altering any one building during the*
24 *fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replace-*
25 *ment value of the building.*

1 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM AND*
2 *FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES*

3 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
4 *Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Serv-*
5 *ices to administer the laws enacted by Congress for the*
6 *Farm Service Agency, the Foreign Agricultural Service, the*
7 *Risk Management Agency, and the Commodity Credit Cor-*
8 *poration, \$572,000.*

9 *FARM SERVICE AGENCY*

10 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

11 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

12 *For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-*
13 *tration and implementation of programs administered by*
14 *the Farm Service Agency, \$794,839,000: Provided, That the*
15 *Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities, and*
16 *authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity Credit*
17 *Corporation to make program payments for all programs*
18 *administered by the Agency: Provided further, That other*
19 *funds made available to the Agency for authorized activities*
20 *may be advanced to and merged with this account: Provided*
21 *further, That these funds shall be available for employment*
22 *pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Or-*
23 *ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed*
24 *\$1,000,000 shall be available for employment under 5*
25 *U.S.C. 3109.*

STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987 (7 U.S.C. 5101–5106), \$2,000,000.

DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity payments to dairy farmers for milk or cows producing such milk and manufacturers of dairy products who have been directed to remove their milk or dairy products from commercial markets because it contained residues of chemicals registered and approved for use by the Federal Government, and in making indemnity payments for milk, or cows producing such milk, at a fair market value to any dairy farmer who is directed to remove his milk from commercial markets because of: (1) the presence of products of nuclear radiation or fallout if such contamination is not due to the fault of the farmer; or (2) residues of chemicals or toxic substances not included under the first sentence of the Act of August 13, 1968 (7 U.S.C. 450j), if such chemicals or toxic substances were not used in a manner contrary to applicable regulations or labeling instructions provided at the time of use and the contamination is not due to the fault of the farmer, \$450,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Provided, That none of the funds contained in this Act shall be used to make indemnity payments to any farmer whose milk was removed from commercial mar-

1 *kets as a result of the farmer's willful failure to follow proce-*
 2 *dures prescribed by the Federal Government: Provided fur-*
 3 *ther, That this amount shall be transferred to the Com-*
 4 *modity Credit Corporation: Provided further, That the Sec-*
 5 *retary is authorized to utilize the services, facilities, and*
 6 *authorities of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the*
 7 *purpose of making dairy indemnity disbursements.*

8 *AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM*

9 *ACCOUNT*

10 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

11 *For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-*
 12 *rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1928–*
 13 *1929, to be available from funds in the Agricultural Credit*
 14 *Insurance Fund, as follows: farm ownership loans,*
 15 *\$559,422,000, of which \$431,373,000 shall be for guaranteed*
 16 *loans; operating loans, \$2,397,842,000, of which*
 17 *\$1,697,842,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans*
 18 *and \$200,000,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed loans;*
 19 *Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by 25*
 20 *U.S.C. 488, \$1,028,000; for emergency insured loans,*
 21 *\$25,000,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural disas-*
 22 *ters; and for boll weevil eradication program loans as au-*
 23 *thorized by 7 U.S.C. 1989, \$100,000,000.*

24 *For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including*
 25 *the cost of modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the*
 26 *Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: farm owner-*

1 ship loans, \$7,243,000, of which \$2,416,000, shall be for
2 guaranteed loans; operating loans, \$70,860,000, of which
3 \$23,940,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans and
4 \$17,620,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed loans; In-
5 dian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by 25
6 U.S.C. 488, \$21,000; and for emergency insured loans,
7 \$3,882,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural disas-
8 ters.

9 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
10 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
11 \$214,161,000, of which \$209,861,000 shall be transferred to
12 and merged with the appropriation for “Farm Service
13 Agency, Salaries and Expenses”.

14 Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural
15 Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership and
16 operating direct loans and guaranteed loans may be trans-
17 ferred among these programs with the prior approval of the
18 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

19 *RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY*

20 For administrative and operating expenses, as author-
21 ized by the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform
22 Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 6933), \$64,000,000: *Provided, That*
23 *not to exceed \$700 shall be available for official reception*
24 *and representation expenses, as authorized by 7 U.S.C.*
25 *1506(i).*

CORPORATIONS

The following corporations and agencies are hereby authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and to make contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided.

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

For payments as authorized by section 516 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act, such sums as may be necessary, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND

REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES

For fiscal year 2000, such sums as may be necessary to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net realized losses sustained, but not previously reimbursed, pursuant to section 2 of the Act of August 17, 1961 (15 U.S.C. 713a-11).

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE

MANAGEMENT

For fiscal year 2000, the Commodity Credit Corporation shall not expend more than \$5,000,000 for expenses to comply with the requirement of section 107(g) of the Com-

1 *prehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and*
 2 *Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and section 6001 of the*
 3 *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6961:*
 4 *Provided, That expenses shall be for operations and mainte-*
 5 *nance costs only and that other hazardous waste manage-*
 6 *ment costs shall be paid for by the USDA Hazardous Waste*
 7 *Management appropriation in this Act.*

8 *TITLE II*

9 *CONSERVATION PROGRAMS*

10 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL*

11 *RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT*

12 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
 13 *Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment*
 14 *to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for the For-*
 15 *est Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service,*
 16 *\$693,000.*

17 *NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE*

18 *CONSERVATION OPERATIONS*

19 *For necessary expenses for carrying out the provisions*
 20 *of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f), including*
 21 *preparation of conservation plans and establishment of*
 22 *measures to conserve soil and water (including farm irriga-*
 23 *tion and land drainage and such special measures for soil*
 24 *and water management as may be necessary to prevent*
 25 *floods and the siltation of reservoirs and to control agricul-*

1 tural related pollutants); operation of conservation plant
2 materials centers; classification and mapping of soil; dis-
3 semination of information; acquisition of lands, water, and
4 interests therein for use in the plant materials program by
5 donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal cost not to
6 exceed \$100 pursuant to the Act of August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C.
7 428a); purchase and erection or alteration or improvement
8 of permanent and temporary buildings; and operation and
9 maintenance of aircraft, \$656,243,000, to remain available
10 until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b), of which not less than
11 \$5,990,000 is for snow survey and water forecasting and
12 not less than \$9,125,000 is for operation and establishment
13 of the plant materials centers: Provided, That appropria-
14 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C.
15 2250 for construction and improvement of buildings and
16 public improvements at plant materials centers, except that
17 the cost of alterations and improvements to other buildings
18 and other public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000:
19 Provided further, That when buildings or other structures
20 are erected on non-Federal land, that the right to use such
21 land is obtained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a: Provided
22 further, That this appropriation shall be available for tech-
23 nical assistance and related expenses to carry out programs
24 authorized by section 202(c) of title II of the Colorado River
25 Basin Salinity Control Act of 1974 (43 U.S.C. 1592(c)):

1 *Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available*
 2 *for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section*
 3 *706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and*
 4 *not to exceed \$25,000 shall be available for employment*
 5 *under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, That qualified local*
 6 *engineers may be temporarily employed at per diem rates*
 7 *to perform the technical planning work of the Service (16*
 8 *U.S.C. 590e-2).*

9 WATERSHED SURVEYS AND PLANNING

10 *For necessary expenses to conduct research, investiga-*
 11 *tion, and surveys of watersheds of rivers and other water-*
 12 *ways, and for small watershed investigations and planning,*
 13 *in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood*
 14 *Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954 (16 U.S.C. 1001-*
 15 *1009), \$10,368,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall*
 16 *be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence*
 17 *of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.*
 18 *2225), and not to exceed \$110,000 shall be available for em-*
 19 *ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.*

20 WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS

21 *For necessary expenses to carry out preventive meas-*
 22 *ures, including but not limited to research, engineering op-*
 23 *erations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation,*
 24 *rehabilitation of existing works and changes in use of land,*
 25 *in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood*
 26 *Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954 (16 U.S.C. 1001-*

1 1005 and 1007–1009), the provisions of the Act of April
2 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f), and in accordance with the
3 provisions of laws relating to the activities of the Depart-
4 ment, \$99,443,000, to remain available until expended (7
5 U.S.C. 2209b) (of which up to \$15,000,000 may be available
6 for the watersheds authorized under the Flood Control Act
7 approved June 22, 1936 (33 U.S.C. 701 and 16 U.S.C.
8 1006a)): Provided, That not to exceed \$47,000,000 of this
9 appropriation shall be available for technical assistance:
10 Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available
11 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section
12 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and
13 not to exceed \$200,000 shall be available for employment
14 under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, That not to exceed
15 \$1,000,000 of this appropriation is available to carry out
16 the purposes of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Public
17 Law 93–205), including cooperative efforts as contemplated
18 by that Act to relocate endangered or threatened species to
19 other suitable habitats as may be necessary to expedite
20 project construction: Provided further, That of the funds
21 available for Emergency Watershed Protection activities,
22 \$5,000,000 shall be available for Mississippi and Wisconsin
23 for financial and technical assistance for pilot rehabilita-
24 tion projects of small, upstream dams built under the Wa-
25 tershed and Flood Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.,

1 *section 13 of the Act of December 22, 1994; Public Law*
 2 *78–534; 58 Stat. 905), and the pilot watershed program au-*
 3 *thorized under the heading “FLOOD PREVENTION” of*
 4 *the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1954*
 5 *(Public Law 83–156; 67 Stat. 214).*

6 *RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT*

7 *For necessary expenses in planning and carrying out*
 8 *projects for resource conservation and development and for*
 9 *sound land use pursuant to the provisions of section 32(e)*
 10 *of title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act (7*
 11 *U.S.C. 1010–1011; 76 Stat. 607), the Act of April 27, 1935*
 12 *(16 U.S.C. 590a–f), and the Agriculture and Food Act of*
 13 *1981 (16 U.S.C. 3451–3461), \$35,000,000, to remain avail-*
 14 *able until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Provided, That this*
 15 *appropriation shall be available for employment pursuant*
 16 *to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act*
 17 *of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$50,000 shall*
 18 *be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.*

19 *FORESTRY INCENTIVES PROGRAM*

20 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, to*
 21 *carry out the program of forestry incentives, as authorized*
 22 *by the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16*
 23 *U.S.C. 2101), including technical assistance and related ex-*
 24 *penses, \$6,325,000, to remain available until expended, as*
 25 *authorized by that Act.*

1 *TITLE III*
 2 *RURAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY*
 3 *DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS*
 4 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL*
 5 *DEVELOPMENT*

6 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
 7 *Under Secretary for Rural Development to administer pro-*
 8 *grams under the laws enacted by the Congress for the Rural*
 9 *Housing Service, the Rural Business-Cooperative Service,*
 10 *and the Rural Utilities Service of the Department of Agri-*
 11 *culture, \$588,000.*

12 *RURAL COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM*
 13 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

14 *For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and*
 15 *grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 1926a, 1926c,*
 16 *1926d, and 1932, except for sections 381E–H, 381N, and*
 17 *381O of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act*
 18 *(7 U.S.C. 2009f), \$718,006,000, to remain available until*
 19 *expended, of which \$23,150,000 shall be for rural commu-*
 20 *nity programs described in section 381E(d)(1) of such Act;*
 21 *of which \$630,257,000 shall be for the rural utilities pro-*
 22 *grams described in section 381E(d)(2), 306C(a)(2), and*
 23 *306D of such Act; and of which \$64,599,000 shall be for*
 24 *the rural business and cooperative development programs*
 25 *described in section 381E(d)(3) of such Act: Provided, That*
 26 *of the amount appropriated for the rural business and coop-*

1 erative development programs, not to exceed \$500,000 shall
2 be made available for a grant to a qualified national orga-
3 nization to provide technical assistance for rural transpor-
4 tation in order to promote economic development: Provided
5 further, That of the amount appropriated for rural utilities
6 programs, not to exceed \$20,000,000 shall be for water and
7 waste disposal systems to benefit the Colonias along the
8 United States/Mexico borders, including grants pursuant to
9 section 306C of such Act; not to exceed \$12,000,000 shall
10 be for water and waste disposal systems to benefit Federally
11 Recognized Native American Tribes, including grants pur-
12 suant to section 306C of such Act: Provided further, That
13 the Federally Recognized Native American Tribe is not eli-
14 gible for any other rural utilities programs set aside under
15 the Rural Community Advancement Program; not to exceed
16 \$20,000,000 shall be for water and waste disposal systems
17 for rural and native villages in Alaska pursuant to section
18 306D of such Act; not to exceed \$16,500,000 shall be for
19 technical assistance grants for rural waste systems pursu-
20 ant to section 306(a)(14) of such Act; and not to exceed
21 \$7,300,000 shall be for contracting with qualified national
22 organizations for a circuit rider program to provide tech-
23 nical assistance for rural water systems: Provided further,
24 That of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed
25 \$1,500,000 shall be available to the Grassroots project: Pro-

1 vided further, That of the total amount appropriated, not
 2 to exceed \$45,245,000 shall be available through June 30,
 3 2000, for empowerment zones and enterprise communities,
 4 as authorized by Public Law 103–66, of which \$2,106,000
 5 shall be for rural community programs described in section
 6 381E(d)(1) of such Act; of which \$34,704,000 shall be for
 7 the rural utilities programs described in section 381E(d)(2)
 8 of such Act; of which \$8,435,000 shall be for the rural busi-
 9 ness and cooperative development programs described in
 10 section 381E(d)(3) of such Act: Provided further, That any
 11 obligated and unobligated balances available from prior
 12 years for the “Rural Utilities Assistance Program” account,
 13 shall be transferred to and merged with this account.

14 *RURAL HOUSING SERVICE*

15 *RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

16 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

17 *For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-*
 18 *rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the*
 19 *Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the rural*
 20 *housing insurance fund, as follows: \$4,300,000,000 for loans*
 21 *to section 502 borrowers, as determined by the Secretary,*
 22 *of which \$3,200,000,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaran-*
 23 *teed loans; \$32,396,000 for section 504 housing repair*
 24 *loans; \$100,000,000 for section 538 guaranteed multi-fam-*
 25 *ily housing loans; \$25,001,000 for section 514 farm labor*
 26 *housing; \$114,321,000 for section 515 rental housing;*

1 \$5,152,000 for section 524 site loans; \$12,824,000 for credit
2 sales of acquired property, of which up to \$2,150,000 may
3 be for multi-family credit sales; and \$5,000,000 for section
4 523 self-help housing land development loans.

5 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including
6 the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of
7 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section
8 502 loans, \$113,350,000, of which \$19,520,000 shall be for
9 unsubsidized guaranteed loans; section 504 housing repair
10 loans, \$9,900,000; section 538 multi-family housing guar-
11 anteed loans, \$480,000; section 514 farm labor housing,
12 \$11,308,000; section 515 rental housing, \$45,363,000; sec-
13 tion 524 site loans, \$4,000; credit sales of acquired prop-
14 erty, \$1,499,000, of which up to \$850,000 may be for multi-
15 family credit sales; and section 523 self-help housing land
16 development loans, \$281,000: Provided, That of the total
17 amount appropriated in this paragraph, \$11,180,000 shall
18 be for empowerment zones and enterprise communities, as
19 authorized by Public Law 103–66: Provided further, That
20 if such funds are not obligated for empowerment zones and
21 enterprise communities by June 30, 2000, they shall remain
22 available for other authorized purposes under this head.

23 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
24 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
25 \$360,785,000, which shall be transferred to and merged

1 *with the appropriation for “Rural Housing Service, Sala-*
 2 *ries and Expenses”.*

3 *RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM*

4 *For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-*
 5 *newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)*
 6 *or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or*
 7 *payments for eligible households as authorized by section*
 8 *502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949, \$640,000,000;*
 9 *and, in addition, such sums as may be necessary, as author-*
 10 *ized by section 521(c) of the Act, to liquidate debt incurred*
 11 *prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry out the rental assistance*
 12 *program under section 521(a)(2) of the Act: Provided, That*
 13 *of this amount, not more than \$5,900,000 shall be available*
 14 *for debt forgiveness or payments for eligible households as*
 15 *authorized by section 502(c)(5)(D) of the Act, and not to*
 16 *exceed \$10,000 per project for advances to nonprofit organi-*
 17 *zations or public agencies to cover direct costs (other than*
 18 *purchase price) incurred in purchasing projects pursuant*
 19 *to section 502(c)(5)(C) of the Act: Provided further, That*
 20 *agreements entered into or renewed during fiscal year 2000*
 21 *shall be funded for a five-year period, although the life of*
 22 *any such agreement may be extended to fully utilize*
 23 *amounts obligated.*

24 *MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS*

25 *For grants and contracts pursuant to section*
 26 *523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490c),*

1 \$26,000,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C.
 2 2209b): *Provided, That of the total amount appropriated,*
 3 *\$1,000,000 shall be for empowerment zones and enterprise*
 4 *communities, as authorized by Public Law 103–66: Pro-*
 5 *vided further, That if such funds are not obligated for em-*
 6 *powerment zones and enterprise communities by June 30,*
 7 *2000, they shall remain available for other authorized pur-*
 8 *poses under this head.*

9 *RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS*

10 *For grants and contracts for housing for domestic farm*
 11 *labor, very low-income housing repair, supervisory and*
 12 *technical assistance, compensation for construction defects,*
 13 *and rural housing preservation made by the Rural Housing*
 14 *Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474, 1479(c), 1486,*
 15 *1490e, and 1490m, \$41,000,000, to remain available until*
 16 *expended: Provided, That of the total amount appropriated,*
 17 *\$1,200,000 shall be for empowerment zones and enterprise*
 18 *communities, as authorized by Public Law 103–66: Pro-*
 19 *vided further, That if such funds are not obligated for em-*
 20 *powerment zones and enterprise communities by June 30,*
 21 *2000, they shall remain available for other authorized pur-*
 22 *poses under this head.*

23 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

24 *For necessary expenses of the Rural Housing Service,*
 25 *including administering the programs authorized by the*
 26 *Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, title V of*

1 *the Housing Act of 1949, and cooperative agreements,*
 2 *\$60,978,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall be*
 3 *available for employment pursuant to the second sentence*
 4 *of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.*
 5 *2225), and not to exceed \$520,000 may be used for employ-*
 6 *ment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.*

7 *RURAL BUSINESS-COOPERATIVE SERVICE*

8 *RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

9 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

10 *For the cost of direct loans, \$16,615,000, as authorized*
 11 *by the Rural Development Loan Fund (42 U.S.C. 9812(a)):*
 12 *Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying*
 13 *such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congres-*
 14 *sional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That these*
 15 *funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the*
 16 *principal amount of direct loans of \$38,256,000: Provided*
 17 *further, That through June 30, 2000, of the total amount*
 18 *appropriated, \$3,216,000 shall be available for the cost of*
 19 *direct loans for empowerment zones and enterprise commu-*
 20 *nities, as authorized by Public Law 103-66, to subsidize*
 21 *gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans,*
 22 *\$7,246,000: Provided further, That if such funds are not*
 23 *obligated for empowerment zones and enterprise commu-*
 24 *nities by June 30, 2000, they shall remain available for*
 25 *other authorized purposes under this head: Provided fur-*
 26 *ther, That none of the funds appropriated under this para-*

1 *graph shall be available unless the Department of Agri-*
 2 *culture proposes a revised regulation to allow lenders to be*
 3 *charged a fee of up to 3 percent on guaranteed business*
 4 *and industry loans.*

5 *In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out*
 6 *the direct loan programs, \$3,337,000 shall be transferred*
 7 *to and merged with the appropriation for “Rural Business-*
 8 *Cooperative Service, Salaries and Expenses”.*

9 *RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM*

10 *ACCOUNT*

11 *(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)*

12 *For the principal amount of direct loans, as authorized*
 13 *under section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act, for the*
 14 *purpose of promoting rural economic development and job*
 15 *creation projects, \$15,000,000.*

16 *For the cost of direct loans, including the cost of modi-*
 17 *fying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congressional*
 18 *Budget Act of 1974, \$3,453,000.*

19 *Of the funds derived from interest on the cushion of*
 20 *credit payments in fiscal year 2000, as authorized by sec-*
 21 *tion 313 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936,*
 22 *\$3,453,000 shall not be obligated and \$3,453,000 are re-*
 23 *scinded.*

24 *RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS*

25 *For rural cooperative development grants authorized*
 26 *under section 310B(e) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural*

1 *Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932), \$5,500,000, of which*
 2 *\$1,500,000 shall be available for cooperative agreements for*
 3 *the appropriate technology transfer for rural areas pro-*
 4 *gram: Provided, That at least twenty-five percent of the*
 5 *total amount appropriated shall be made available to co-*
 6 *operatives or associations of cooperatives that assist small,*
 7 *minority producers.*

8 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

9 *For necessary expenses of the Rural Business-Coopera-*
 10 *tive Service, including administering the programs author-*
 11 *ized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act;*
 12 *section 1323 of the Food Security Act of 1985; the Coopera-*
 13 *tive Marketing Act of 1926; for activities relating to the*
 14 *marketing aspects of cooperatives, including economic re-*
 15 *search findings, as authorized by the Agricultural Mar-*
 16 *keting Act of 1946; for activities with institutions con-*
 17 *cerning the development and operation of agricultural co-*
 18 *operatives; and for cooperative agreements; \$25,680,000:*
 19 *Provided, That this appropriation shall be available for em-*
 20 *ployment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a)*
 21 *of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to*
 22 *exceed \$260,000 may be used for employment under 5*
 23 *U.S.C. 3109.*

1 *ALTERNATIVE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND*
 2 *COMMERCIALIZATION CORPORATION REVOLVING FUND*

3 *For necessary expenses to carry out the Alternative Ag-*
 4 *ricultural Research and Commercialization Act of 1990 (7*
 5 *U.S.C. 5901–5908), \$3,500,000 is appropriated to the Alter-*
 6 *native Agricultural Research and Commercialization Cor-*
 7 *poration Revolving Fund.*

8 *RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE*

9 *RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS*

10 *LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

11 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

12 *Insured loans pursuant to the authority of section 305*
 13 *of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935) shall*
 14 *be made as follows: 5 percent rural electrification loans,*
 15 *\$71,500,000; 5 percent rural telecommunications loans,*
 16 *\$75,000,000; cost of money rural telecommunications loans,*
 17 *\$300,000,000; municipal rate rural electric loans,*
 18 *\$295,000,000; and loans made pursuant to section 306 of*
 19 *that Act, rural electric, \$700,000,000 and rural tele-*
 20 *communications, \$120,000,000, to remain available until*
 21 *expended.*

22 *For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congres-*
 23 *sional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modifying*
 24 *loans, of direct and guaranteed loans authorized by the*
 25 *Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935 and 936),*
 26 *as follows: cost of direct loans, \$1,483,000; cost of municipal*

1 rate loans, \$10,826,000; cost of money rural telecommuni-
 2 cations loans, \$2,370,000: *Provided, That notwithstanding*
 3 *section 305(d)(2) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936,*
 4 *borrower interest rates may exceed 7 percent per year.*

5 *In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to*
 6 *carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,*
 7 *\$29,982,000, which shall be transferred to and merged with*
 8 *the appropriation for “Rural Utilities Service, Salaries and*
 9 *Expenses”.*

10 *RURAL TELEPHONE BANK PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

11 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

12 *The Rural Telephone Bank is hereby authorized to*
 13 *make such expenditures, within the limits of funds available*
 14 *to such corporation in accord with law, and to make such*
 15 *contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year*
 16 *limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government*
 17 *Corporation Control Act, as may be necessary in carrying*
 18 *out its authorized programs. During fiscal year 2000 and*
 19 *within the resources and authority available, gross obliga-*
 20 *tions for the principal amount of direct loans shall be*
 21 *\$157,509,000.*

22 *For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congres-*
 23 *sional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modifying*
 24 *loans, of direct loans authorized by the Rural Electrifica-*
 25 *tion Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935), \$2,961,000.*

1 *In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to*
2 *carry out the loan programs, \$3,000,000, which shall be*
3 *transferred to and merged with the appropriation for*
4 *“Rural Utilities Service, Salaries and Expenses”.*

5 *DISTANCE LEARNING AND TELEMEDICINE PROGRAM*

6 *For the cost of direct loans and grants, as authorized*
7 *by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa et seq., \$13,200,000, to remain avail-*
8 *able until expended, to be available for loans and grants*
9 *for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural*
10 *areas: Provided, That the costs of direct loans shall be as*
11 *defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of*
12 *1974.*

13 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

14 *For necessary expenses of the Rural Utilities Service,*
15 *including administering the programs authorized by the*
16 *Rural Electrification Act of 1936, and the Consolidated*
17 *Farm and Rural Development Act, and for cooperative*
18 *agreements, \$33,000,000: Provided, That this appropriation*
19 *shall be available for employment pursuant to the second*
20 *sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7*
21 *U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$105,000 may be used for*
22 *employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.*

1 *TITLE IV*2 *DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS*3 *OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD,*4 *NUTRITION AND CONSUMER SERVICES*

5 *For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the*
6 *Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Serv-*
7 *ices to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for the*
8 *Food and Nutrition Service, \$554,000.*

9 *FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE*10 *CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS*11 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

12 *For necessary expenses to carry out the National*
13 *School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), except section*
14 *21, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771*
15 *et seq.), except sections 17 and 21; \$9,560,028,000, to re-*
16 *main available through September 30, 2001, of which*
17 *\$4,624,829,000 is hereby appropriated and \$4,935,199,000*
18 *shall be derived by transfer from funds available under sec-*
19 *tion 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c): Pro-*
20 *vided, That, except as specifically provided under this head-*
21 *ing, none of the funds made available under this heading*
22 *shall be used for studies and evaluations: Provided further,*
23 *That of the funds made available under this heading, up*
24 *to \$13,000,000 shall be for school breakfast pilot projects,*
25 *including the evaluation required under section 18(e) of the*
26 *National School Lunch Act: Provided further, That up to*

1 \$4,363,000 shall be available for independent verification
 2 of school food service claims: Provided further, That none
 3 of the funds under this heading shall be available unless
 4 the value of bonus commodities provided under section 32
 5 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 774, chapter 641;
 6 7 U.S.C. 612c), and section 416 of the Agricultural Act of
 7 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1431) is included in meeting the minimum
 8 commodity assistance requirement of section 6(g) of the Na-
 9 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(g)).

10 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR
 11 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

12 For necessary expenses to carry out the special supple-
 13 mental nutrition program as authorized by section 17 of
 14 the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),
 15 \$4,038,107,000, to remain available through September 30,
 16 2001: Provided, That none of the funds made available
 17 under this heading shall be used for studies and evaluations:
 18 Provided further, That of the total amount available, the
 19 Secretary shall obligate \$10,000,000 for the farmers' market
 20 nutrition program within 45 days of the enactment of this
 21 Act, and an additional \$5,000,000 for the farmers' market
 22 nutrition program from any funds not needed to maintain
 23 current caseload levels: Provided further, That none of the
 24 funds in this Act shall be available to pay administrative
 25 expenses of WIC clinics except those that have an announced
 26 policy of prohibiting smoking within the space used to

1 *carry out the program: Provided further, That none of the*
 2 *funds provided in this account shall be available for the*
 3 *purchase of infant formula except in accordance with the*
 4 *cost containment and competitive bidding requirements*
 5 *specified in section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966:*
 6 *Provided further, That none of the funds provided shall be*
 7 *available for activities that are not fully reimbursed by*
 8 *other federal government departments or agencies unless au-*
 9 *thorized by section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966.*

10 *FOOD STAMP PROGRAM*

11 *For necessary expenses to carry out the Food Stamp*
 12 *Act (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), \$21,563,744,000, of which*
 13 *\$100,000,000 shall be placed in reserve for use only in such*
 14 *amounts and at such times as may become necessary to*
 15 *carry out program operations: Provided, That none of the*
 16 *funds made available under this head shall be used for stud-*
 17 *ies and evaluations: Provided further, That funds provided*
 18 *herein shall be expended in accordance with section 16 of*
 19 *the Food Stamp Act: Provided further, That this appropria-*
 20 *tion shall be subject to any work registration or workfare*
 21 *requirements as may be required by law: Provided further,*
 22 *That funds made available for Employment and Training*
 23 *under this head shall remain available until expended, as*
 24 *authorized by section 16(h)(1) of the Food Stamp Act.*

1 COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

2 *For necessary expenses to carry out the commodity*
3 *supplemental food program as authorized by section 4(a)*
4 *of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7*
5 *U.S.C. 612c note); the Emergency Food Assistance Act of*
6 *1983, \$131,000,000, to remain available through September*
7 *30, 2001: Provided, That none of these funds shall be avail-*
8 *able to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for*
9 *commodities donated to the program.*

10 FOOD DONATIONS PROGRAMS

11 *For necessary expenses to carry out section 4(a) of the*
12 *Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973; special*
13 *assistance for the nuclear affected islands as authorized by*
14 *section 103(h)(2) of the Compacts of Free Association Act*
15 *of 1985, as amended; and section 311 of the Older Ameri-*
16 *cans Act of 1965, \$141,081,000, to remain available through*
17 *September 30, 2001.*

18 FOOD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

19 *For necessary administrative expenses of the domestic*
20 *food programs funded under this Act, \$111,561,000, of*
21 *which \$5,000,000 shall be available only for simplifying*
22 *procedures, reducing overhead costs, tightening regulations,*
23 *improving food stamp coupon handling, and assistance in*
24 *the prevention, identification, and prosecution of fraud and*
25 *other violations of law and of which not less than*
26 *\$3,000,000 shall be available to improve integrity in the*

1 *Food Stamp and Child Nutrition programs: Provided, That*
 2 *this appropriation shall be available for employment pursu-*
 3 *ant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic*
 4 *Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$150,000*
 5 *shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.*

6 *TITLE V*

7 *FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED PROGRAMS*

8 *FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SALES*

9 *MANAGER*

10 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

11 *For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural*
 12 *Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural*
 13 *Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1761–1768), market development ac-*
 14 *tivities abroad, and for enabling the Secretary to coordinate*
 15 *and integrate activities of the Department in connection*
 16 *with foreign agricultural work, including not to exceed*
 17 *\$128,000 for representation allowances and for expenses*
 18 *pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956*
 19 *(7 U.S.C. 1766), \$136,203,000: Provided, That the Service*
 20 *may utilize advances of funds, or reimburse this appropria-*
 21 *tion for expenditures made on behalf of Federal agencies,*
 22 *public and private organizations and institutions under*
 23 *agreements executed pursuant to the agricultural food pro-*
 24 *duction assistance programs (7 U.S.C. 1737) and the for-*
 25 *oreign assistance programs of the United States Agency for*

1 *International Development: Provided further, That of the*
 2 *total amount appropriated, up to \$2,000,000 shall remain*
 3 *available until expended solely for the purpose of offsetting*
 4 *fluctuations in international currency exchange rates, sub-*
 5 *ject to documentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service.*

6 *None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall be*
 7 *available to promote the sale or export of tobacco or tobacco*
 8 *products, or alcoholic beverages, including wine.*

9 *PUBLIC LAW 480 PROGRAM AND GRANT ACCOUNTS*

10 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

11 *For expenses during the current fiscal year, not other-*
 12 *wise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, includ-*
 13 *ing interest thereon, under the Agricultural Trade Develop-*
 14 *ment and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1691, 1701–*
 15 *1704, 1721–1726a, 1727–1727e, 1731–1736g–3, and 1737),*
 16 *as follows: (1) \$142,840,000 for Public Law 480 title I cred-*
 17 *it, including Food for Progress programs; (2) \$16,249,000*
 18 *is hereby appropriated for ocean freight differential costs*
 19 *for the shipment of agricultural commodities pursuant to*
 20 *title I of said Act and the Food for Progress Act of 1985;*
 21 *and (3) \$787,000,000 is hereby appropriated for commod-*
 22 *ities supplied in connection with dispositions abroad pursu-*
 23 *ant to title II of said Act: Provided, That not to exceed*
 24 *15 percent of the funds made available to carry out any*
 25 *title of said Act may be used to carry out any other title*

1 *of said Act: Provided further, That such sums shall remain*
 2 *available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).*

3 *For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congres-*
 4 *sional Budget Act of 1974, of direct credit agreements as*
 5 *authorized by the Agricultural Trade Development and As-*
 6 *sistance Act of 1954, and the Food for Progress Act of 1985,*
 7 *including the cost of modifying credit agreements under*
 8 *said Act, \$117,786,000.*

9 *In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out*
 10 *the Public Law 480 title I credit program, and the Food*
 11 *for Progress Act of 1985, to the extent funds appropriated*
 12 *for Public Law 480 are utilized, \$1,850,000, of which*
 13 *\$1,035,000 may be transferred to and merged with the ap-*
 14 *propriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service and General*
 15 *Sales Manager" and \$815,000 may be transferred to and*
 16 *merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service Agency,*
 17 *Salaries and Expenses".*

18 *COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT LOANS*

19 *PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

20 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

21 *For administrative expenses to carry out the Com-*
 22 *modity Credit Corporation's export guarantee program,*
 23 *GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$3,820,000; to cover common over-*
 24 *head expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Commodity*
 25 *Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity with the*
 26 *Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, of which \$3,231,000*

1 *may be transferred to and merged with the appropriation*
2 *for “Foreign Agricultural Service and General Sales Man-*
3 *ager” and \$589,000 may be transferred to and merged with*
4 *the appropriation for “Farm Service Agency, Salaries and*
5 *Expenses”.*

6 *TITLE VI*

7 *RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG*

8 *ADMINISTRATION*

9 *DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN*

10 *SERVICES*

11 *FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION*

12 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

13 *For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Adminis-*
14 *tration, including hire and purchase of passenger motor ve-*
15 *hicles; for payment of space rental and related costs pursu-*
16 *ant to Public Law 92–313 for programs and activities of*
17 *the Food and Drug Administration which are included in*
18 *this Act; for rental of special purpose space in the District*
19 *of Columbia or elsewhere; and for miscellaneous and emer-*
20 *gency expenses of enforcement activities, authorized and ap-*
21 *proved by the Secretary and to be accounted for solely on*
22 *the Secretary’s certificate, not to exceed \$25,000;*
23 *\$1,180,972,000, of which not to exceed \$145,434,000 in fees*
24 *pursuant to section 736 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cos-*
25 *metic Act may be credited to this appropriation and re-*

1 *main available until expended: Provided, That fees derived*
2 *from applications received during fiscal year 2000 shall be*
3 *subject to the fiscal year 2000 limitation: Provided further,*
4 *That none of these funds shall be used to develop, establish,*
5 *or operate any program of user fees authorized by 31 U.S.C.*
6 *9701: Provided further, That of the total amount appro-*
7 *priated: (1) \$264,845,000 shall be for the Center for Food*
8 *Safety and Applied Nutrition and related field activities*
9 *in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (2) \$309,026,000 shall*
10 *be for the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and*
11 *related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs,*
12 *of which no less than \$11,542,000 shall be available for*
13 *grants and contracts awarded under section 5 of the Or-*
14 *phan Drug Act (21 U.S.C. 360ee); (3) \$132,092,000 shall*
15 *be for the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research and*
16 *for related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Af-*
17 *fairs; (4) \$48,221,000 shall be for the Center for Veterinary*
18 *Medicine and for related field activities in the Office of Reg-*
19 *ulatory Affairs; (5) \$154,271,000 shall be for the Center for*
20 *Devices and Radiological Health and for related field ac-*
21 *tivities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which*
22 *\$1,000,000 shall be for premarket review, enforcement and*
23 *oversight activities related to users and manufacturers of*
24 *all reprocessed medical devices as authorized by the Federal*
25 *Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321 et seq.), and*

1 of which no less than \$55,500,000 and 522 full-time equiva-
 2 lent positions shall be for premarket application review ac-
 3 tivities to meet statutory review times; (6) \$34,436,000 shall
 4 be for the National Center for Toxicological Research; (7)
 5 \$34,000,000 shall be for the Office of Tobacco; (8)
 6 \$25,855,000 shall be for Rent and Related activities, other
 7 than the amounts paid to the General Services Administra-
 8 tion; (9) \$100,180,000 shall be for payments to the General
 9 Services Administration for rent and related costs; and (10)
 10 \$78,046,000 shall be for other activities, including the Office
 11 of the Commissioner; the Office of Policy; the Office of the
 12 Senior Associate Commissioner; the Office of International
 13 and Constituent Relations; the Office of Policy, Legislation,
 14 and Planning; and central services for these offices: Pro-
 15 vided further, That funds may be transferred from one spec-
 16 ified activity to another with the prior approval of the Com-
 17 mittee on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

18 In addition, fees pursuant to section 354 of the Public
 19 Health Service Act may be credited to this account, to re-
 20 main available until expended.

21 In addition, fees pursuant to section 801 of the Federal
 22 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act may be credited to this ac-
 23 count, to remain available until expended.

24 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

25 For plans, construction, repair, improvement, exten-
 26 sion, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facili-

1 *ties of or used by the Food and Drug Administration, where*
 2 *not otherwise provided, \$8,350,000, to remain available*
 3 *until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).*

4 *INDEPENDENT AGENCY*

5 *COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION*

6 *For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of*
 7 *the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), including*
 8 *the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; the rental*
 9 *of space (to include multiple year leases) in the District*
 10 *of Columbia and elsewhere; and not to exceed \$25,000 for*
 11 *employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$61,000,000, including*
 12 *not to exceed \$1,000 for official reception and representa-*
 13 *tion expenses: Provided, That the Commission is authorized*
 14 *to charge reasonable fees to attendees of Commission spon-*
 15 *sored educational events and symposia to cover the Commis-*
 16 *sion's costs of providing those events and symposia, and*
 17 *notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, said fees shall be credited*
 18 *to this account, to be available without further appropria-*
 19 *tion.*

20 *TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS*

21 *SEC. 701. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law,*
 22 *appropriations and authorizations made for the Depart-*
 23 *ment of Agriculture for the fiscal year 2000 under this Act*
 24 *shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those spe-*
 25 *cifically provided for, of not to exceed 365 passenger motor*

1 *vehicles, of which 361 shall be for replacement only, and*
2 *for the hire of such vehicles.*

3 *SEC. 702. Funds in this Act available to the Depart-*
4 *ment of Agriculture shall be available for uniforms or allow-*
5 *ances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902).*

6 *SEC. 703. Not less than \$1,500,000 of the appropria-*
7 *tions of the Department of Agriculture in this Act for re-*
8 *search and service work authorized by the Acts of August*
9 *14, 1946, and July 28, 1954 (7 U.S.C. 427 and 1621–1629),*
10 *and by chapter 63 of title 31, United States Code, shall*
11 *be available for contracting in accordance with said Acts*
12 *and chapter.*

13 *SEC. 704. The cumulative total of transfers to the*
14 *Working Capital Fund for the purpose of accumulating*
15 *growth capital for data services and National Finance Cen-*
16 *ter operations shall not exceed \$2,000,000: Provided, That*
17 *no funds in this Act appropriated to an agency of the De-*
18 *partment shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund*
19 *without the approval of the agency administrator.*

20 *SEC. 705. New obligational authority provided for the*
21 *following appropriation items in this Act shall remain*
22 *available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Animal and*
23 *Plant Health Inspection Service, the contingency fund to*
24 *meet emergency conditions, fruit fly program, integrated*
25 *systems acquisition project, and up to \$2,000,000 for costs*

1 *associated with collocating regional offices; Farm Service*
 2 *Agency, salaries and expenses funds made available to*
 3 *county committees; and Foreign Agricultural Service, mid-*
 4 *dle-income country training program.*

5 *New obligational authority for the boll weevil program;*
 6 *up to 10 percent of the screwworm program of the Animal*
 7 *and Plant Health Inspection Service; Food Safety and In-*
 8 *spection Service, field automation and information man-*
 9 *agement project; funds appropriated for rental payments;*
 10 *funds for the Native American Institutions Endowment*
 11 *Fund in the Cooperative State Research, Education, and*
 12 *Extension Service; and funds for the competitive research*
 13 *grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), shall remain available until ex-*
 14 *pended.*

15 *SEC. 706. No part of any appropriation contained in*
 16 *this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the*
 17 *current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.*

18 *SEC. 707. Not to exceed \$50,000 of the appropriations*
 19 *available to the Department of Agriculture in this Act shall*
 20 *be available to provide appropriate orientation and lan-*
 21 *guage training pursuant to Public Law 94-449.*

22 *SEC. 708. No funds appropriated by this Act may be*
 23 *used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative*
 24 *agreements or similar arrangements between the United*
 25 *States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-*

1 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of the
2 agreement when the purpose of such cooperative arrange-
3 ments is to carry out programs of mutual interest between
4 the two parties. This does not preclude appropriate pay-
5 ment of indirect costs on grants and contracts with such
6 institutions when such indirect costs are computed on a
7 similar basis for all agencies for which appropriations are
8 provided in this Act.

9 SEC. 709. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
10 able to restrict the authority of the Commodity Credit Cor-
11 poration to lease space for its own use or to lease space
12 on behalf of other agencies of the Department of Agriculture
13 when such space will be jointly occupied.

14 SEC. 710. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
15 able to pay indirect costs charged against competitive agri-
16 cultural research, education, or extension grant awards
17 issued by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and
18 Extension Service that exceed 19 percent of total Federal
19 funds provided under each award: Provided, That notwith-
20 standing section 1462 of the National Agricultural Re-
21 search, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7
22 U.S.C. 3310), funds provided by this Act for grants award-
23 ed competitively by the Cooperative State Research, Edu-
24 cation, and Extension Service shall be available to pay full
25 allowable indirect costs for each grant awarded under the

1 *Small Business Innovation Development Act of 1982, Pub-*
2 *lic Law 97-219 (15 U.S.C. 638).*

3 *SEC. 711. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this*
4 *Act, all loan levels provided in this Act shall be considered*
5 *estimates, not limitations.*

6 *SEC. 712. Appropriations for the Rural Housing In-*
7 *surance Fund Program Account for the cost of direct and*
8 *guaranteed loans made available in fiscal years 1994, 1995,*
9 *1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999 shall remain available until*
10 *expended to cover obligations made in each of those fiscal*
11 *years respectively, in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 1557.*

12 *SEC. 713. Appropriations to the Department of Agri-*
13 *culture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made*
14 *available in fiscal year 2000 shall remain available until*
15 *expended to cover obligations made in fiscal year 2000 for*
16 *the following accounts: the rural development loan fund*
17 *program account; the Rural Telephone Bank program ac-*
18 *count; the rural electrification and telecommunications*
19 *loans program account; the Rural Housing Insurance Fund*
20 *Program Account; and the rural economic development*
21 *loans program account.*

22 *SEC. 714. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal*
23 *year 2000 pay raises for programs funded by this Act shall*
24 *be absorbed within the levels appropriated by this Act.*

1 *SEC. 715. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and Co-*
2 *operative Agreement Act, marketing services of the Agricul-*
3 *tural Marketing Service; Grain Inspection, Packers and*
4 *Stockyards Administration; and the Animal and Plant*
5 *Health Inspection Service may use cooperative agreements*
6 *to reflect a relationship between the Agricultural Marketing*
7 *Service; the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Ad-*
8 *ministration; or the Animal and Plant Health Inspection*
9 *Service and a State or Cooperator to carry out agricultural*
10 *marketing programs, or to carry out programs to protect*
11 *the Nation's animal and plant resources.*

12 *SEC. 716. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and Co-*
13 *operative Agreement Act, the Natural Resources Conserva-*
14 *tion Service may enter into contracts, grants, or cooperative*
15 *agreements with a State agency or subdivision, or a public*
16 *or private organization, for the acquisition of goods or serv-*
17 *ices, including personal services, to carry out natural re-*
18 *sources conservation activities: Provided, That Commodity*
19 *Credit Corporation funds obligated for such purposes shall*
20 *not exceed the level obligated by the Commodity Credit Cor-*
21 *poration for such purposes in fiscal year 1998.*

22 *SEC. 717. None of the funds in this Act may be used*
23 *to retire more than 5 percent of the Class A stock of the*
24 *Rural Telephone Bank or to maintain any account or sub-*
25 *account within the accounting records of the Rural Tele-*

1 *phone Bank the creation of which has not specifically been*
2 *authorized by statute: Provided, That notwithstanding any*
3 *other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or*
4 *otherwise made available in this Act may be used to trans-*
5 *fer to the Treasury or to the Federal Financing Bank any*
6 *unobligated balance of the Rural Telephone Bank telephone*
7 *liquidating account which is in excess of current require-*
8 *ments and such balance shall receive interest as set forth*
9 *for financial accounts in section 505(c) of the Federal Cred-*
10 *it Reform Act of 1990.*

11 *SEC. 718. Of the funds made available by this Act, not*
12 *more than \$1,800,000 shall be used to cover necessary ex-*
13 *penses of activities related to all advisory committees, pan-*
14 *els, commissions, and task forces of the Department of Agri-*
15 *culture, except for panels used to comply with negotiated*
16 *rule makings and panels used to evaluate competitively*
17 *awarded grants: Provided, That interagency funding is au-*
18 *thorized to carry out the purposes of the National Drought*
19 *Policy Commission.*

20 *SEC. 719. None of the funds appropriated in this Act*
21 *may be used to carry out the provisions of section 918 of*
22 *Public Law 104–127, the Federal Agriculture Improvement*
23 *and Reform Act.*

24 *SEC. 720. No employee of the Department of Agri-*
25 *culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or office*

1 *funded by this Act to any other agency or office of the De-*
2 *partment for more than 30 days unless the individual's em-*
3 *ploying agency or office is fully reimbursed by the receiving*
4 *agency or office for the salary and expenses of the employee*
5 *for the period of assignment.*

6 *SEC. 721. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
7 *made available to the Department of Agriculture shall be*
8 *used to transmit or otherwise make available to any non-*
9 *Department of Agriculture employee questions or responses*
10 *to questions that are a result of information requested for*
11 *the appropriations hearing process.*

12 *SEC. 722. None of the funds made available to the De-*
13 *partment of Agriculture by this Act may be used to acquire*
14 *new information technology systems or significant up-*
15 *grades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Information*
16 *Officer, without the approval of the Chief Information Offi-*
17 *cer and the concurrence of the Executive Information Tech-*
18 *nology Investment Review Board: Provided, That notwith-*
19 *standing any other provision of law, none of the funds ap-*
20 *propriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be*
21 *transferred to the Office of the Chief Information Officer*
22 *without the prior approval of the Committee on Appropria-*
23 *tions of both Houses of Congress.*

24 *SEC. 723. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act,*
25 *or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies*

1 *funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or*
2 *expenditure in fiscal year 2000, or provided from any ac-*
3 *counts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the*
4 *collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this*
5 *Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through*
6 *a reprogramming of funds which: (1) creates new programs;*
7 *(2) eliminates a program, project, or activity; (3) increases*
8 *funds or personnel by any means for any project or activity*
9 *for which funds have been denied or restricted; (4) relocates*
10 *an office or employees; (5) reorganizes offices, programs, or*
11 *activities; or (6) contracts out or privatizes any functions*
12 *or activities presently performed by Federal employees; un-*
13 *less the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses of*
14 *Congress are notified fifteen days in advance of such re-*
15 *programming of funds.*

16 *(b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or provided*
17 *by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies funded by*
18 *this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure*
19 *in fiscal year 2000, or provided from any accounts in the*
20 *Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of*
21 *fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be*
22 *available for obligation or expenditure for activities, pro-*
23 *grams, or projects through a reprogramming of funds in*
24 *excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less, that: (1)*
25 *augments existing programs, projects, or activities; (2) re-*

1 *duces by 10 percent funding for any existing program,*
2 *project, or activity, or numbers of personnel by 10 percent*
3 *as approved by Congress; or (3) results from any general*
4 *savings from a reduction in personnel which would result*
5 *in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects as*
6 *approved by Congress; unless the Committee on Appropria-*
7 *tions of both Houses of Congress are notified fifteen days*
8 *in advance of such reprogramming of funds.*

9 *SEC. 724. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
10 *made available by this Act or any other Act may be used*
11 *to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out*
12 *the transfer or obligation of fiscal year 2000 funds under*
13 *the provisions of section 793 of Public Law 104–127.*

14 *SEC. 725. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
15 *made available by this Act shall be used to pay the salaries*
16 *and expenses of personnel who carry out an environmental*
17 *quality incentives program authorized by sections 334–341*
18 *of Public Law 104–127 in excess of \$174,000,000.*

19 *SEC. 726. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
20 *available to the Department of Agriculture in fiscal year*
21 *2000 or thereafter may be used to administer the provision*
22 *of contract payments to a producer under the Agricultural*
23 *Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.) for contract*
24 *acreage on which wild rice is planted unless the contract*

1 *payment is reduced by an acre for each contract acre plant-*
2 *ed to wild rice.*

3 *SEC. 727. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
4 *made available by this Act shall be used to pay the salaries*
5 *and expenses of personnel to enroll in excess of 180,000*
6 *acres in the fiscal year 2000 wetlands reserve program as*
7 *authorized by 16 U.S.C. 3837.*

8 *SEC. 728. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
9 *made available by this Act shall be used to pay the salaries*
10 *and expenses of personnel to carry out the emergency food*
11 *assistance program authorized by section 27(a) of the Food*
12 *Stamp Act if such program exceeds \$97,000,000.*

13 *SEC. 729. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
14 *made available by this or any other Act shall be used to*
15 *pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out the*
16 *transfer or obligation of fiscal year 2000 funds under the*
17 *provisions of section 401 of Public Law 105–185 in excess*
18 *of \$50,000,000.*

19 *SEC. 730. Notwithstanding section 381A of the Con-*
20 *solidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.*
21 *2009), in fiscal year 2000 and thereafter, the definitions*
22 *of rural areas for certain business programs administered*
23 *by the Rural Business-Cooperative Service and the commu-*
24 *nity facilities programs administered by the Rural Housing*

1 *Service shall be those provided for in statute and regula-*
2 *tions prior to the enactment of Public Law 104–127.*

3 *SEC. 731. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
4 *made available by this Act shall be used to carry out any*
5 *commodity purchase program that would prohibit eligi-*
6 *bility or participation by farmer-owned cooperatives.*

7 *SEC. 732. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
8 *made available by this Act shall be used to pay the salaries*
9 *and expenses of personnel to carry out a conservation farm*
10 *option program, as authorized by section 335 of Public Law*
11 *104–127.*

12 *SEC. 733. None of the funds made available to the Food*
13 *and Drug Administration by this Act shall be used to close*
14 *or relocate, or to plan to close or relocate, the Food and*
15 *Drug Administration Division of Drug Analysis in St.*
16 *Louis, Missouri, or the Food and Drug Administration De-*
17 *troit, Michigan, District Office Laboratory; or to reduce the*
18 *Detroit, Michigan, Food and Drug Administration District*
19 *Office below the operating and full-time equivalent staffing*
20 *level of July 31, 1999; or to change the Detroit District Of-*
21 *fice to a station, residence post or similarly modified office;*
22 *or to reassign residence posts assigned to the Detroit Dis-*
23 *trict Office.*

24 *SEC. 734. None of the funds made available by this*
25 *Act or any other Act for any fiscal year may be used to*

1 *carry out section 302(h) of the Agricultural Marketing Act*
2 *of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622(h)) unless the Secretary of Agri-*
3 *culture inspects and certifies agricultural processing equip-*
4 *ment, and imposes a fee for the inspection and certification,*
5 *in a manner that is similar to the inspection and certifi-*
6 *cation of agricultural products under that section, as deter-*
7 *mined by the Secretary: Provided, That this provision shall*
8 *not affect the authority of the Secretary to carry out the*
9 *Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), the*
10 *Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.),*
11 *or the Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1031 et seq.).*

12 *SEC. 735. None of the funds appropriated by this Act*
13 *or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and ex-*
14 *penses of personnel who prepare or submit appropriations*
15 *language as part of the President's Budget submission to*
16 *the Congress of the United States for programs under the*
17 *jurisdiction of the Appropriations Subcommittees on Agri-*
18 *culture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies that as-*
19 *sumes revenues or reflects a reduction from the previous*
20 *year due to user fees proposals that have not been enacted*
21 *into law prior to the submission of the Budget unless such*
22 *Budget submission identifies which additional spending re-*
23 *ductions should occur in the event the users fees proposals*
24 *are not enacted prior to the date of the convening of a com-*

1 *mittee of conference for the fiscal year 2001 appropriations*
2 *Act.*

3 *SEC. 736. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
4 *made available by this Act shall be used to establish an Of-*
5 *fice of Community Food Security or any similar office*
6 *within the United States Department of Agriculture with-*
7 *out the prior approval of the Committee on Appropriations*
8 *of both Houses of Congress.*

9 *SEC. 737. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
10 *made available by this or any other Act may be used to*
11 *carry out provision of section 612 of Public Law 105–185.*

12 *SEC. 738. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,*
13 *in fiscal year 2000 and thereafter, permanent employees of*
14 *county committees employed on or after October 1, 1998,*
15 *pursuant to 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Al-*
16 *lotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) shall be considered as hav-*
17 *ing Federal Civil Service status only for the purpose of ap-*
18 *plying for the United States Department of Agriculture*
19 *Civil Service vacancies.*

20 *SEC. 739. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
21 *made available by this Act may be used to declare excess*
22 *or surplus all or part of the lands and facilities owned by*
23 *the Federal Government and administered by the Secretary*
24 *of Agriculture at Fort Reno, Oklahoma, or to transfer or*

1 *convey such lands or facilities, without the specific author-*
2 *ization of Congress.*

3 *SEC. 740. The Chief of the Natural Resources Con-*
4 *servation Service shall redistribute funds to apply toward*
5 *a Public Law 566 watershed project closeout using A-102*
6 *authority for settlement costs of this project in Mississippi.*

7 *SEC. 741. (a) Not later than 180 days after the date*
8 *of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall*
9 *offer to enter into an agreement with the Governor of the*
10 *State of Hawaii to conduct a pilot program to inspect mail*
11 *entering the State of Hawaii for any plant, plant product,*
12 *plant pest, or other organism that is subject to Federal*
13 *quarantine laws.*

14 *(b) The agreement described in subsection (a) shall*
15 *contain the same terms and conditions as are contained in*
16 *the memorandum of understanding entered into between the*
17 *Secretary and the State of California, dated February 1,*
18 *1999, unless the Secretary and the Governor agree to dif-*
19 *ferent terms or conditions.*

20 *(c) Unless the Secretary and the Governor agree other-*
21 *wise, the agreement described in subsection (b) shall termi-*
22 *nate on the later of—*

23 *(A) the date that is 1 year after the date the*
24 *agreement becomes effective; or*

1 (B) the date that the February 1, 1999 memo-
2 randum of understanding terminates.

3 SEC. 742. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
4 the Secretary is authorized under Section 306 of the Con-
5 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as amended
6 (7 U.S.C. 1926), to provide guaranteed lines of credit, in-
7 cluding working capital loans, for health care facilities, to
8 address Year 2000 computer conversion issues.

9 SEC. 743. After taking any action involving the sei-
10 zure, quarantine, treatment, destruction, or disposal of
11 wheat infested with karnal bunt, the Secretary of Agri-
12 culture shall compensate the producers for economic losses
13 incurred as the result of the action not later than 45 days
14 after receipt of a claim that includes all appropriate paper-
15 work.

16 SEC. 744. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
17 \$3,000,000 is appropriated for the purpose of providing
18 Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellowships
19 through the Congressional Hunger Center, which is an orga-
20 nization described in subsection (c)(3) of section 501 of the
21 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and is exempt from taxation
22 under subsection (a) of such section.

23 SEC. 745. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
24 there are hereby appropriated \$250,000 for the program au-
25 thorized under Section 388 of the Federal Agriculture Im-

1 *provement and Reform Act of 1996, solely for use in the*
 2 *State of New Hampshire.*

3 *SEC. 746. The Immigration and Nationality Act (8*
 4 *U.S.C. 1188 et seq.) is amended: (a) in Section 218(c)(1)*
 5 *by striking “60 days” and inserting “45 days”, and (b)*
 6 *in Section 218(c)(3)(A) by striking “20 days” and inserting*
 7 *“30 days”.*

8 *SEC. 747. SUCCESSORSHIP PROVISIONS RELATING TO*
 9 *BARGAINING UNITS AND EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVES.*
 10 *(a) VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT.—*

11 *(1) IN GENERAL.—If the exercise of the Secretary*
 12 *of Agriculture’s authority under this Act results in*
 13 *changes to an existing bargaining unit that has been*
 14 *certified under chapter 71 of title 5, United States*
 15 *Code, the affected parties shall attempt to reach a vol-*
 16 *untary agreement on a new bargaining unit and an*
 17 *exclusive representative for such unit.*

18 *(2) CRITERIA.—In carrying out the requirements*
 19 *of this subsection, the affected parties shall use cri-*
 20 *teria set forth in—*

21 *(A) sections 7103(a)(4), 7111(e), 7111(f)(1),*
 22 *and 7120 of title 5, United States Code, relating*
 23 *to determining an exclusive representative; and*

24 *(B) section 7112 of title 5, United States*
 25 *Code (disregarding subsections (b)(5) and (d)*

1 *thereof), relating to determining appropriate*
2 *units.*

3 **(b) EFFECT OF AN AGREEMENT.—**

4 **(1) IN GENERAL.—***If the affected parties reach*
5 *agreement on the appropriate unit and the exclusive*
6 *representative for such unit under subsection (a), the*
7 *Federal Labor Relations Authority shall certify the*
8 *terms of such agreement, subject to paragraph (2)(A).*
9 *Nothing in this subsection shall be considered to re-*
10 *quire the holding of any hearing or election as a con-*
11 *dition for certification.*

12 **(2) RESTRICTIONS.—**

13 **(A) CONDITIONS REQUIRING NONCERTIFI-**
14 **CATION.—***The Federal Labor Relations Authority*
15 *may not certify the terms of an agreement under*
16 *paragraph (1) if—*

17 *(i) it determines that any of the cri-*
18 *teria referred to in subsection (a)(2) (dis-*
19 *regarding section 7112(a) of title 5, United*
20 *States Code) have not been met; or*

21 *(ii) after the Secretary's exercise of au-*
22 *thority and before certification under this*
23 *section, a valid election under section*
24 *7111(b) of title 5, United States Code, is*
25 *held covering any employees who would be*

1 *included in the unit proposed for certifi-*
2 *cation.*

3 (B) *TEMPORARY WAIVER OF PROVISION*
4 *THAT WOULD BAR AN ELECTION AFTER A COL-*
5 *LECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT IS*
6 *REACHED.—Nothing in section 7111(f)(3) of title*
7 *5, United States Code, shall prevent the holding*
8 *of an election under section 7111(b) of such title*
9 *that covers employees within a unit certified*
10 *under paragraph (1), or giving effect to the re-*
11 *sults of such an election (including a decision*
12 *not to be represented by any labor organization),*
13 *if the election is held before the end of the 12-*
14 *month period beginning on the date such unit is*
15 *so certified.*

16 (C) *CLARIFICATION.—The certification of a*
17 *unit under paragraph (1) shall not, for purposes*
18 *of the last sentence of section 7111(b) of title 5,*
19 *United States Code, or section 7111(f)(4) of such*
20 *title, be treated as if it had occurred pursuant to*
21 *an election.*

22 (3) *DELEGATION.—*

23 (A) *IN GENERAL.—The Federal Labor Rela-*
24 *tions Authority may delegate to any regional di-*
25 *rector (as referred to in section 7105(e) of title*

1 5, United States Code) its authority under the
2 preceding provisions of this subsection.

3 (B) *REVIEW*.—Any action taken by a re-
4 gional director under subparagraph (A) shall be
5 subject to review under the provisions of section
6 7105(f) of title 5, United States Code, in the
7 same manner as if such action had been taken
8 under section 7105(e) of such title, except that in
9 the case of a decision not to certify, such review
10 shall be required if application therefore is filed
11 by an affected party within the time specified in
12 such provisions.

13 (c) *DEFINITION*.—For purposes of this section, the
14 term “affected party” means—

15 (1) with respect to an exercise of authority by
16 the Secretary of Agriculture under this Act, any labor
17 organization affected thereby; and

18 (2) the Department of Agriculture.

19 SEC. 748. *EMERGENCY AND MARKET LOSS ASSIST-*
20 *ANCE. (a) MARKET LOSS ASSISTANCE*.—

21 (1) *IN GENERAL*.—The Secretary of Agriculture
22 (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall
23 use not more than \$5,544,453,000 of funds of the
24 Commodity Credit Corporation to provide assistance
25 to owners and producers on a farm that are eligible

1 *for payments for fiscal year 1999 under a production*
 2 *flexibility contract for the farm under the Agricul-*
 3 *tural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.).*

4 (2) *AMOUNT.—The amount of assistance made*
 5 *available to owners and producers on a farm under*
 6 *this subsection shall be proportionate to the amount*
 7 *of the contract payment received by the owners and*
 8 *producers for fiscal year 1999 under a production*
 9 *flexibility contract for the farm under the Agricul-*
 10 *tural Market Transition Act.*

11 (3) *TIME FOR PAYMENT.—The assistance made*
 12 *available under this subsection for an eligible owner*
 13 *or producer shall be provided not later than 45 days*
 14 *after the date of enactment of this Act.*

15 (b) *SPECIALTY CROPS.—*

16 (1) *ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN PRODUCERS.—The*
 17 *Secretary shall use not more than \$50,000,000 of*
 18 *funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to pro-*
 19 *vide assistance to producers of fruits and vegetables in*
 20 *a manner determined by the Secretary.*

21 (2) *PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN PRODUCERS.—*

22 (A) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall use*
 23 *such amounts as are necessary to provide pay-*
 24 *ments to producers of quota peanuts or addi-*
 25 *tional peanuts to partially compensate the pro-*

1 *ducers for continuing low commodity prices, and*
2 *increasing costs of production, for the 1999 crop*
3 *year.*

4 *(B) AMOUNT.—The amount of a payment*
5 *made to producers on a farm of quota peanuts*
6 *or additional peanuts under subparagraph (A)*
7 *shall be equal to the product obtained by*
8 *multiplying—*

9 *(i) the quantity of quota peanuts or*
10 *additional peanuts produced or considered*
11 *produced by the producers under section*
12 *155 of the Agricultural Market Transition*
13 *Act (7 U.S.C. 7271); by*

14 *(ii) an amount equal to 5 percent of*
15 *the loan rate established for quota peanuts*
16 *or additional peanuts, respectively, under*
17 *section 155 of that Act.*

18 *(3) CONDITION ON PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND*
19 *EXPENSES.—None of the funds appropriated or other-*
20 *wise made available by this Act or any other Act may*
21 *be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel*
22 *of the Department of Agriculture to carry out or en-*
23 *force section 156(f) of the Agricultural Market Transi-*
24 *tion Act (7 U.S.C. 7272(f)) through fiscal year 2001,*
25 *if the Federal budget is determined by the Office of*

1 *Management and Budget to be in surplus for fiscal*
 2 *year 2000.*

3 (c) *LIMITATION ON MARKETING LOAN GAINS AND*
 4 *LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS.*—*Notwithstanding section*
 5 *1001(2) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C.*
 6 *1308(1)), the total amount of the payments specified in sec-*
 7 *tion 1001(3) of that Act that a person shall be entitled to*
 8 *receive under the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7*
 9 *U.S.C. 7201 et seq.) for 1 or more contract commodities*
 10 *and oilseeds during the 1999 crop year may not exceed*
 11 *\$150,000.*

12 (d) *UPLAND COTTON PRICE COMPETITIVENESS.*—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Section 136(a) of the Agricul-*
 14 *tural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7236(a)) is*
 15 *amended—*

16 (A) *in paragraph (1), by striking “or cash*
 17 *payments” and inserting “or cash payments, at*
 18 *the option of the recipient,”;*

19 (B) *by striking “3 cents per pound” each*
 20 *place it appears and inserting “1.25 cents per*
 21 *pound”;*

22 (C) *in the first sentence of paragraph*
 23 *(3)(A), by striking “owned by the Commodity*
 24 *Credit Corporation in such manner, and at such*
 25 *price levels, as the Secretary determines will best*

1 *effectuate the purposes of cotton user marketing*
 2 *certificates” and inserting “owned by the Com-*
 3 *modity Credit Corporation or pledged to the*
 4 *Commodity Credit Corporation as collateral for*
 5 *a loan in such manner, and at such price levels,*
 6 *as the Secretary determines will best effectuate*
 7 *the purposes of cotton user marketing certificates,*
 8 *including enhancing the competitiveness and*
 9 *marketability of United States cotton”; and*

10 *(D) by striking paragraph (4).*

11 (2) *ENSURING THE AVAILABILITY OF UPLAND*
 12 *COTTON.—Section 136(b) of the Agricultural Market*
 13 *Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7236(b)) is amended—*

14 *(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting*
 15 *the following:*

16 *“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—*

17 *“(A) IN GENERAL.—The President shall*
 18 *carry out an import quota program during the*
 19 *period ending July 31, 2003, as provided in this*
 20 *subsection.*

21 *“(B) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—Except as*
 22 *provided in subparagraph (C), whenever the Sec-*
 23 *retary determines and announces that for any*
 24 *consecutive 4-week period, the Friday through*
 25 *Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-*

1 *priced United States growth, as quoted for Mid-*
 2 *dling (M) 1³/₃₂-inch cotton, delivered C.I.F.*
 3 *Northern Europe, adjusted for the value of any*
 4 *certificate issued under subsection (a), exceeds*
 5 *the Northern Europe price by more than 1.25*
 6 *cents per pound, there shall immediately be in*
 7 *effect a special import quota.*

8 *“(C) TIGHT DOMESTIC SUPPLY.—During*
 9 *any month for which the Secretary estimates the*
 10 *season-ending United States upland cotton*
 11 *stocks-to-use ratio, as determined under subpara-*
 12 *graph (D), to be below 16 percent, the Secretary,*
 13 *in making the determination under subpara-*
 14 *graph (B), shall not adjust the Friday through*
 15 *Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-*
 16 *priced United States growth, as quoted for Mid-*
 17 *dling (M) 1³/₃₂-inch cotton, delivered C.I.F.*
 18 *Northern Europe, for the value of any certificates*
 19 *issued under subsection (a).*

20 *“(D) SEASON-ENDING UNITED STATES*
 21 *STOCKS-TO-USE RATIO.—For the purposes of*
 22 *making estimates under subparagraph (C), the*
 23 *Secretary shall, on a monthly basis, estimate*
 24 *and report the season-ending United States up-*
 25 *land cotton stocks-to-use ratio, excluding pro-*

1 *jected raw cotton imports but including the*
 2 *quantity of raw cotton that has been imported*
 3 *into the United States during the marketing*
 4 *year.”; and*

5 *(B) by adding at the end the following:*

6 *“(7) LIMITATION.—The quantity of cotton en-*
 7 *tered into the United States during any marketing*
 8 *year under the special import quota established under*
 9 *this subsection may not exceed the equivalent of 5*
 10 *week’s consumption of upland cotton by domestic*
 11 *mills at the seasonally adjusted average rate of the 3*
 12 *months immediately preceding the first special import*
 13 *quota established in any marketing year.”.*

14 *(e) OILSEED PAYMENTS.—*

15 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other*
 16 *provision of law, the Secretary shall use not less than*
 17 *\$475,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Cor-*
 18 *poration to make payments to producers of the 1999*
 19 *crop of oilseeds that are eligible to obtain a marketing*
 20 *assistance loan under section 131 of the Agricultural*
 21 *Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7231).*

22 *(2) COMPUTATION.—A payment to producers on*
 23 *a farm under this subsection shall be computed by*
 24 *multiplying—*

1 (A) a payment rate determined by the Sec-
2 retary; by

3 (B) the quantity of oilseeds that the pro-
4 ducers on the farm are eligible to place under
5 loan under section 131 of that Act.

6 (3) *LIMITATION.*—Payments made under this
7 subsection shall be considered to be contract payments
8 for the purposes of section 1001(1) of the Food Secu-
9 rity Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308(1)).

10 (f) *ASSISTANCE TO LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY PRO-*
11 *DUCERS.*—The Secretary shall use \$325,000,000 of funds of
12 the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide assistance to
13 livestock and dairy producers in a manner determined by
14 the Secretary.

15 (g) *TOBACCO.*—The Secretary shall use \$328,000,000
16 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make dis-
17 tributions to tobacco growers in accordance with the for-
18 mulas established under the National Tobacco Grower Set-
19 tlement Trust.

20 (h) *SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING FAST-TRACK*
21 *AUTHORITY AND FUTURE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION*
22 *NEGOTIATIONS.*—It is the sense of Congress that—

23 (1) the President should make a formal request
24 for appropriate fast-track authority for future United
25 States trade negotiations;

1 (2) *regarding future World Trade Organization*
2 *negotiations—*

3 (A) *rules for trade in agricultural commod-*
4 *ities should be strengthened and trade-distorting*
5 *import and export practices should be eliminated*
6 *or substantially reduced;*

7 (B) *the rules of the World Trade Organiza-*
8 *tion should be strengthened regarding the prac-*
9 *tices or policies of a foreign government that*
10 *unreasonably—*

11 (i) *restrict market access for products*
12 *of new technologies, including products of*
13 *biotechnology; or*

14 (ii) *delay or preclude implementation*
15 *of a report of a dispute panel of the World*
16 *Trade Organization; and*

17 (C) *negotiations within the World Trade*
18 *Organization should be structured so as to pro-*
19 *vide the maximum leverage possible to ensure the*
20 *successful conclusion of negotiations on agricul-*
21 *tural products;*

22 (3) *the President should—*

23 (A) *conduct a comprehensive evaluation of*
24 *all existing export and food aid programs,*
25 *including—*

1 (i) the export credit guarantee program
2 established under section 202 of the Agricultural
3 Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5622);

4 (ii) the market access program established
5 under section 203 of that Act (7
6 U.S.C. 5623);

7 (iii) the export enhancement program
8 established under section 301 of that Act (7
9 U.S.C. 5651);

10 (iv) the foreign market development co-
11 operator program established under section
12 702 of that Act (7 U.S.C. 5722); and

13 (v) programs established under the Agricultural Trade Development and Assist-
14 ance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1691 et seq.);
15 and
16 and

17 (B) transmit to Congress—

18 (i) the results of the evaluation under
19 subparagraph (A); and

20 (ii) recommendations on maximizing
21 the effectiveness of the programs described
22 in subparagraph (A); and

23 (4) the Secretary should carry out a purchase
24 and donation or concessional sales initiative in each
25 of fiscal years 1999 and 2000 to promote the export

1 of additional quantities of soybeans, beef, pork, poul-
2 try, and products of such commodities (including soy-
3 bean meal, soybean oil, textured vegetable protein,
4 and soy protein concentrates and isolates) using pro-
5 grams established under—

6 (A) the Commodity Credit Corporation
7 Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714 et seq.);

8 (B) section 416 of the Agricultural Act of
9 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1431);

10 (C) titles I and II of the Agricultural Trade
11 Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7
12 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and

13 (D) the Food for Progress Act of 1985 (7
14 U.S.C. 1736o).

15 (i) CROP INSURANCE.—The Secretary shall use
16 \$400,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation
17 to assist agricultural producers in purchasing additional
18 coverage for the 2000 crop year under the Federal Crop In-
19 surance Act (7 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.).

20 (j) EMERGENCY REQUIREMENT.—The entire amount
21 necessary to carry out this section and the amendments
22 made by this section shall be available only to the extent
23 that an official budget request for the entire amount, that
24 includes designation of the entire amount of the request as
25 an emergency requirement as defined in the Balanced

1 *Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as*
 2 *amended, is transmitted by the President to the Congress:*
 3 *Provided, That the entire amount is designated by the Con-*
 4 *gress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section*
 5 *251(b)(2)(A) of such Act.*

6 (k) *REQUIREMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF*
 7 *ANY UNILATERAL AGRICULTURAL OR MEDICAL SANC-*
 8 *TION.—*

9 (1) *DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:*

10 (A) *AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY.—The term*
 11 *“agricultural commodity” has the meaning given*
 12 *the term in section 402 of the Agricultural Trade*
 13 *Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7*
 14 *U.S.C. 1732).*

15 (B) *AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM.—The term*
 16 *“agricultural program” means—*

17 (i) *any program administered under*
 18 *the Agricultural Trade Development and*
 19 *Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1691 et.*
 20 *seq.);*

21 (ii) *any program administered under*
 22 *section 416 of the Agricultural Act of 1949*
 23 *(7 U.S.C. 1431);*

24 (iii) *any commercial sale of agricul-*
 25 *tural commodities, including a commercial*

1 *sale of an agricultural commodity that is*
 2 *prohibited under a unilateral agricultural*
 3 *sanction that is in effect on the date of en-*
 4 *actment of this Act; or*

5 *(iv) any export financing (including*
 6 *credits or credit guarantees) for agricultural*
 7 *commodities.*

8 (C) *JOINT RESOLUTION.*—*The term “joint*
 9 *resolution” means—*

10 *(i) in the case of paragraph (2)(A)(ii),*
 11 *only a joint resolution introduced within 10*
 12 *session days of Congress after the date on*
 13 *which the report of the President under*
 14 *paragraph (2)(A)(i) is received by Congress,*
 15 *the matter after the resolving clause of*
 16 *which is as follows: “That Congress ap-*
 17 *proves the report of the President pursuant*
 18 *to section ____ (____) (2)(A)(i) of the*
 19 *_____ Act ____, transmitted on*
 20 *_____.”, with the blank com-*
 21 *pleted with the appropriate date; and*

22 *(ii) in the case of paragraph (5)(B),*
 23 *only a joint resolution introduced within 10*
 24 *session days of Congress after the date on*
 25 *which the report of the President under*

1 paragraph (5)(A) is received by Congress,
2 the matter after the resolving clause of
3 which is as follows: “That Congress ap-
4 proves the report of the President pursuant
5 to section ____ (____) (5)(A) of the
6 _____ Act _____, transmitted on
7 _____.”, with the blank com-
8 pleted with the appropriate date.

9 (D) UNILATERAL AGRICULTURAL SANC-
10 TION.—The term “unilateral agricultural sanc-
11 tion” means any prohibition, restriction, or con-
12 dition on carrying out an agricultural program
13 with respect to a foreign country or foreign enti-
14 ty that is imposed by the United States for rea-
15 sons of foreign policy or national security, except
16 in a case in which the United States imposes the
17 measure pursuant to a multilateral regime and
18 the other member countries of that regime have
19 agreed to impose substantially equivalent meas-
20 ures.

21 (E) UNILATERAL MEDICAL SANCTION.—The
22 term “unilateral medical sanction” means any
23 prohibition, restriction, or condition on exports
24 of, or the provision of assistance consisting of,
25 medicine or a medical device with respect to a

1 *foreign country or foreign entity that is imposed*
2 *by the United States for reasons of foreign policy*
3 *or national security, except in a case in which*
4 *the United States imposes the measure pursuant*
5 *to a multilateral regime and the other member*
6 *countries of that regime have agreed to impose*
7 *substantially equivalent measures.*

8 *(2) RESTRICTION.—*

9 *(A) NEW SANCTIONS.—Except as provided*
10 *in paragraphs (3) and (4) and notwithstanding*
11 *any other provision of law, the President may*
12 *not impose a unilateral agricultural sanction or*
13 *unilateral medical sanction against a foreign*
14 *country or foreign entity for any fiscal year,*
15 *unless—*

16 *(i) not later than 60 days before the*
17 *sanction is proposed to be imposed, the*
18 *President submits a report to Congress*
19 *that—*

20 *(I) describes the activity proposed*
21 *to be prohibited, restricted, or condi-*
22 *tioned; and*

23 *(II) describes the actions by the*
24 *foreign country or foreign entity that*
25 *justify the sanction; and*

1 (ii) Congress enacts a joint resolution
2 stating the approval of Congress for the re-
3 port submitted under clause (i).

4 (B) *EXISTING SANCTIONS.*—

5 (i) *IN GENERAL.*—Except as provided
6 in clause (ii), with respect to any unilateral
7 agricultural sanction or unilateral medical
8 sanction that is in effect as of the date of
9 enactment of this Act for any fiscal year,
10 the President shall immediately cease to im-
11 plement such sanction.

12 (ii) *EXEMPTIONS.*—Clause (i) shall not
13 apply to a unilateral agricultural sanction
14 or unilateral medical sanction imposed with
15 respect to an agricultural program or activ-
16 ity described in clause (ii) or (iv) of para-
17 graph (1)(B).

18 (3) *EXCEPTIONS.*—The President may impose
19 (or continue to impose) a sanction described in para-
20 graph (2) without regard to the procedures required
21 by that paragraph—

22 (A) against a foreign country or foreign en-
23 tity with respect to which Congress has enacted
24 a declaration of war that is in effect on or after
25 the date of enactment of this Act; or

1 (B) to the extent that the sanction would
2 prohibit, restrict, or condition the provision or
3 use of any agricultural commodity, medicine, or
4 medical device that is—

5 (i) controlled on the United States Mu-
6 nitions List;

7 (ii) an item for which export controls
8 are administered by the Department of
9 Commerce for foreign policy or national se-
10 curity reasons; or

11 (iii) used to facilitate the development
12 or production of a chemical or biological
13 weapon.

14 (4) COUNTRIES SUPPORTING INTERNATIONAL
15 TERRORISM.—This subsection shall not affect the cur-
16 rent prohibitions on providing, to the government of
17 any country supporting international terrorism,
18 United States government assistance, including
19 United States foreign assistance, United States export
20 assistance, or any United States credits or credit
21 guarantees.

22 (5) TERMINATION OF SANCTIONS.—Any unilat-
23 eral agricultural sanction or unilateral medical sanc-
24 tion that is imposed pursuant to the procedures de-
25 scribed in paragraph (2)(A) shall terminate not later

1 *than 2 years after the date on which the sanction be-*
2 *came effective unless—*

3 *(A) not later than 60 days before the date*
4 *of termination of the sanction, the President sub-*
5 *mits to Congress a report containing the rec-*
6 *ommendation of the President for the continu-*
7 *ation of the sanction for an additional period of*
8 *not to exceed 2 years and the request of the*
9 *President for approval by Congress of the rec-*
10 *ommendation; and*

11 *(B) Congress enacts a joint resolution stat-*
12 *ing the approval of Congress for the report sub-*
13 *mitted under subparagraph (A).*

14 (6) CONGRESSIONAL PRIORITY PROCEDURES.—

15 *(A) REFERRAL OF REPORT.—A report de-*
16 *scribed in paragraph (2)(A)(i) or (5)(A) shall be*
17 *referred to the appropriate committee or commit-*
18 *tees of the House of Representatives and to the*
19 *appropriate committee or committees of the Sen-*
20 *ate.*

21 *(B) REFERRAL OF JOINT RESOLUTION.—*

22 *(i) IN GENERAL.—A joint resolution*
23 *shall be referred to the committees in each*
24 *House of Congress with jurisdiction.*

1 (ii) *REPORTING DATE.*—A joint resolu-
2 tion referred to in clause (i) may not be re-
3 ported before the eighth session day of Con-
4 gress after the introduction of the joint reso-
5 lution.

6 (C) *DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE.*—If the
7 committee to which is referred a joint resolution
8 has not reported the joint resolution (or an iden-
9 tical joint resolution) at the end of 30 session
10 days of Congress after the date of introduction of
11 the joint resolution—

12 (i) the committee shall be discharged
13 from further consideration of the joint reso-
14 lution; and

15 (ii) the joint resolution shall be placed
16 on the appropriate calendar of the House
17 concerned.

18 (D) *FLOOR CONSIDERATION.*—

19 (i) *MOTION TO PROCEED.*—

20 (I) *IN GENERAL.*—When the com-
21 mittee to which a joint resolution is re-
22 ferred has reported, or when a com-
23 mittee is discharged under subpara-
24 graph (C) from further consideration
25 of, a joint resolution—

1 (aa) *it shall be at any time*
 2 *thereafter in order (even though a*
 3 *previous motion to the same effect*
 4 *has been disagreed to) for any*
 5 *member of the House concerned to*
 6 *move to proceed to the consider-*
 7 *ation of the joint resolution; and*

8 (bb) *all points of order*
 9 *against the joint resolution (and*
 10 *against consideration of the joint*
 11 *resolution) are waived.*

12 (II) *PRIVILEGE.—The motion to*
 13 *proceed to the consideration of the joint*
 14 *resolution—*

15 (aa) *shall be highly privi-*
 16 *leged in the House of Representa-*
 17 *tives and privileged in the Senate;*
 18 *and*

19 (bb) *not debatable.*

20 (III) *AMENDMENTS AND MOTIONS*
 21 *NOT IN ORDER.—The motion to pro-*
 22 *ceed to the consideration of the joint*
 23 *resolution shall not be subject to—*

24 (aa) *amendment;*

25 (bb) *a motion to postpone; or*

1 (cc) a motion to proceed to
2 the consideration of other busi-
3 ness.

4 (IV) *MOTION TO RECONSIDER NOT*
5 *IN ORDER.*—A motion to reconsider the
6 vote by which the motion is agreed to
7 or disagreed to shall not be in order.

8 (V) *BUSINESS UNTIL DISPOSI-*
9 *TION.*—If a motion to proceed to the
10 consideration of the joint resolution is
11 agreed to, the joint resolution shall re-
12 main the unfinished business of the
13 House concerned until disposed of.

14 (ii) *LIMITATIONS ON DEBATE.*—

15 (I) *IN GENERAL.*—Debate on the
16 joint resolution, and on all debatable
17 motions and appeals in connection
18 with the joint resolution, shall be lim-
19 ited to not more than 10 hours, which
20 shall be divided equally between those
21 favoring and those opposing the joint
22 resolution.

23 (II) *FURTHER DEBATE LIMITA-*
24 *TIONS.*—A motion to limit debate shall
25 be in order and shall not be debatable.

1 (III) AMENDMENTS AND MOTIONS

2 NOT IN ORDER.—An amendment to, a
3 motion to postpone, a motion to pro-
4 ceed to the consideration of other busi-
5 ness, a motion to recommit the joint
6 resolution, or a motion to reconsider
7 the vote by which the joint resolution is
8 agreed to or disagreed to shall not be
9 in order.

10 (iii) VOTE ON FINAL PASSAGE.—Imme-
11 diately following the conclusion of the de-
12 bate on a joint resolution, and a single
13 quorum call at the conclusion of the debate
14 if requested in accordance with the rules of
15 the House concerned, the vote on final pas-
16 sage of the joint resolution shall occur.

17 (iv) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PRO-
18 CEDURE.—An appeal from a decision of the
19 Chair relating to the application of the
20 rules of the Senate or House of Representa-
21 tives, as the case may be, to the procedure
22 relating to a joint resolution shall be de-
23 cided without debate.

24 (E) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY OTHER
25 HOUSE.—If, before the passage by 1 House of a

1 *joint resolution of that House, that House re-*
2 *ceives from the other House a joint resolution,*
3 *the following procedures shall apply:*

4 *(i) NO COMMITTEE REFERRAL.—The*
5 *joint resolution of the other House shall not*
6 *be referred to a committee.*

7 *(ii) FLOOR PROCEDURE.—With respect*
8 *to a joint resolution of the House receiving*
9 *the joint resolution—*

10 *(I) the procedure in that House*
11 *shall be the same as if no joint resolu-*
12 *tion had been received from the other*
13 *House; but*

14 *(II) the vote on final passage shall*
15 *be on the joint resolution of the other*
16 *House.*

17 *(iii) DISPOSITION OF JOINT RESOLU-*
18 *TIONS OF RECEIVING HOUSE.—On disposi-*
19 *tion of the joint resolution received from the*
20 *other House, it shall no longer be in order*
21 *to consider the joint resolution originated in*
22 *the receiving House.*

23 *(F) PROCEDURES AFTER ACTION BY BOTH*
24 *THE HOUSE AND SENATE.—If a House receives a*
25 *joint resolution from the other House after the*

1 *receiving House has disposed of a joint resolu-*
 2 *tion originated in that House, the action of the*
 3 *receiving House with regard to the disposition of*
 4 *the joint resolution originated in that House*
 5 *shall be deemed to be the action of the receiving*
 6 *House with regard to the joint resolution origi-*
 7 *nated in the other House.*

8 *(G) RULEMAKING POWER.—This paragraph*
 9 *is enacted by Congress—*

10 *(i) as an exercise of the rulemaking*
 11 *power of the Senate and House of Rep-*
 12 *resentatives, respectively, and as such this*
 13 *paragraph—*

14 *(I) is deemed to be a part of the*
 15 *rules of each House, respectively, but*
 16 *applicable only with respect to the pro-*
 17 *cedure to be followed in that House in*
 18 *the case of a joint resolution; and*

19 *(II) supersedes other rules only to*
 20 *the extent that this paragraph is in-*
 21 *consistent with those rules; and*

22 *(ii) with full recognition of the con-*
 23 *stitutional right of either House to change*
 24 *the rules (so far as the rules relate to the*
 25 *procedure of that House) at any time, in*

1 *the same manner and to the same extent as*
2 *in the case of any other rule of that House.*

3 (7) *GUIDELINES WITH RESPECT TO STATE SPON-*
4 *SORS OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM.—(A) Notwith-*
5 *standing any other provision of the Act, the export of*
6 *agricultural commodities or medicine or medical de-*
7 *vices to the government of a country that has been de-*
8 *termined by the Secretary of State to have repeatedly*
9 *provided support for acts of international terrorism*
10 *under section 620A of the Foreign Assistance Act of*
11 *1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371) shall only be made—*

12 *(i) pursuant to one year licenses issued by*
13 *the United States Government for contracts en-*
14 *tered into during that one year period and com-*
15 *pleted within a twelve month period after the*
16 *signing of the contract; and*

17 *(ii) without benefit of Federal financing, di-*
18 *rect export subsidies, Federal credit guarantees*
19 *or other Federal promotion assistance programs.*

20 (B) *Quarterly reports to the appropriate congres-*
21 *sional committees shall be submitted by the applicable*
22 *agency charged with issuing licenses in subparagraph*
23 *(A)(i).*

24 (8) *EFFECTIVE DATE.—This subsection takes ef-*
25 *fect 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.*

1 *SEC. 749. (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that:*

2 *(1) The Clean Air Act requires that Federal re-*
3 *formulated gasoline contain oxygen as a means of*
4 *achieving air quality benefits.*

5 *(2) While both renewable ethanol and methyl ter-*
6 *tiary butyl ether (MTBE) may be used to meet this*
7 *Clean Air Act requirement, MTBE is in substantially*
8 *greater use than ethanol.*

9 *(3) MTBE is classified as a possible human car-*
10 *cinogen, and when leaked into water causes water to*
11 *take on the taste and smell of turpentine, rendering*
12 *it undrinkable.*

13 *(4) MTBE leaking from underground fuel stor-*
14 *age tanks, recreational watercraft and abandoned*
15 *automobiles has led to growing detections of MTBE in*
16 *drinking water, and has contaminated groundwater*
17 *and drinking water throughout the United States.*

18 *(5) Approximately 5 to 10 percent of drinking*
19 *water supplies in areas using reformulated gasoline*
20 *now show detectable levels of MTBE.*

21 *(6) MTBE poses a more pervasive threat to*
22 *drinking water than the other harmful constituents of*
23 *gasoline because MTBE is more soluble, more mobile*
24 *and slower to degrade than those other constituents.*

1 (7) *Renewable ethanol provides air quality and*
2 *energy security benefits without raising drinking*
3 *water concerns.*

4 (8) *A substantial increase in renewable ethanol*
5 *production would enhance the energy security of the*
6 *United States by reducing dependence upon foreign*
7 *oil.*

8 (9) *A substantial increase in renewable ethanol*
9 *production would help alleviate the financial crisis*
10 *facing farmers.*

11 (b) *SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Sen-*
12 *ate that the United States should—*

13 (1) *phase out MTBE in order to address the*
14 *threats MTBE poses to public health and the environ-*
15 *ment;*

16 (2) *promote renewable ethanol to replace MTBE*
17 *as a means of enhancing energy security and sup-*
18 *porting the farm economy;*

19 (3) *provide assistance to State and local govern-*
20 *ments to treat drinking water supplies contaminated*
21 *with MTBE;*

22 (4) *provide assistance to State and local govern-*
23 *ments to protect lakes and reservoirs from MTBE*
24 *contamination.*

1 *SEC. 750. CONTRACTS FOR PROCUREMENT OF FOOD*
2 *FOR PEACE COMMODITIES. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this sec-*
3 *tion:*

4 (1) *HUBZONE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT.—The*
5 *term “HUBZone sole source contract” means a sole*
6 *source contract authorized by section 31 of the Small*
7 *Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657a).*

8 (2) *HUBZONE PRICE EVALUATION PREF-*
9 *ERENCE.—The term “HUBZone price evaluation*
10 *preference” means a price evaluation preference au-*
11 *thorized by section 31 of the Small Business Act (15*
12 *U.S.C. 657a).*

13 (3) *QUALIFIED HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS*
14 *CONCERN.—The term “qualified HUBZone small*
15 *business concern” has the meaning given the term in*
16 *section 3(p) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.*
17 *632(p)).*

18 (4) *COVERED PROCUREMENT.—The term “cov-*
19 *ered procurement” means a contract for the procure-*
20 *ment or processing of a commodity furnished under*
21 *title II or III of the Agricultural Trade Development*
22 *and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.),*
23 *section 416(b) of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7*
24 *U.S.C. 1431(b)), the Food for Progress Act of 1985 (7*
25 *U.S.C. 1736o), or any other commodity procurement*

1 or acquisition by the Commodity Credit Corporation
2 under any other law.

3 (b) *PROHIBITION OF USE OF FUNDS.*—None of the
4 funds made available by this Act may be used to award
5 a HUBZone sole source contract or a contract awarded
6 through full and open competition in combination with a
7 HUBZone price evaluation preference to any qualified
8 HUBZone small business concern in any covered procure-
9 ment if performance of the contract by the business concern
10 would exceed the production capacity of the business con-
11 cern or would require the business concern to subcontract
12 to any other company or enterprise for the purchase of the
13 commodity being procured through the covered procure-
14 ment.

15 *SEC. 751. It is the sense of the Senate that the Sec-*
16 *retary of Agriculture shall exercise reasonable treatment of*
17 *producers in order to avoid harmful consequences regarding*
18 *the inadvertent planting of dry beans on contract acres, up*
19 *to and including the 1999 crop year.*

20 *SEC. 752. REDESIGNATION OF NATIONAL SCHOOL*
21 *LUNCH ACT AS RICHARD B. RUSSELL NATIONAL SCHOOL*
22 *LUNCH ACT. (a) IN GENERAL.*—The first section of the Na-
23 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 note) is amended
24 by striking “National School Lunch Act” and inserting
25 “Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act”.

1 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—*The following provi-*
 2 *sions of law are amended by striking “National School*
 3 *Lunch Act” each place it appears and inserting “Richard*
 4 *B. Russell National School Lunch Act”:*

5 (1) *Sections 3 and 13(3)(A) of the Commodity*
 6 *Distribution Reform Act and WIC Amendments of*
 7 *1987 (7 U.S.C. 612c note; Public Law 100–237).*

8 (2) *Section 404 of the Agricultural Act of 1949*
 9 *(7 U.S.C. 1424).*

10 (3) *Section 201(a) of the Act entitled “An Act to*
 11 *extend the Agricultural Trade Development and As-*
 12 *sistance Act of 1954, and for other purposes”, ap-*
 13 *proved September 21, 1959 (7 U.S.C. 1431c(a); 73*
 14 *Stat. 610).*

15 (4) *Section 211(a) of the Agricultural Trade*
 16 *Suspension Adjustment Act of 1980 (7 U.S.C.*
 17 *4004(a)).*

18 (5) *Section 245A(h)(4)(A) of the Immigration*
 19 *and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1255a(h)(4)(A)).*

20 (6) *Sections 403(c)(2)(C), 422(b)(3), 423(d)(3),*
 21 *741(a)(1), and 742 of the Personal Responsibility and*
 22 *Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8*
 23 *U.S.C. 1613(c)(2)(C), 1632(b)(3), 1183a note, 42*
 24 *U.S.C. 1751 note, 8 U.S.C. 1615; Public Law 104–*
 25 *193).*

1 (7) *Section 2243(b) of title 10, United States*
2 *Code.*

3 (8) *Sections 404B(g)(1)(A), 404D(c)(2), and*
4 *404F(a)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20*
5 *U.S.C. 1070a–22(g)(1)(A), 1070a–24(c)(2), 1070a–*
6 *26(a)(2); Public Law 105–244).*

7 (9) *Section 231(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Carl D. Per-*
8 *kins Vocational Education Act (20 U.S.C.*
9 *2341(d)(3)(A)(i)).*

10 (10) *Section 1113(a)(5) of the Elementary and*
11 *Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.*
12 *6313(a)(5)).*

13 (11) *Section 1397E(d)(4)(A)(iv)(II) of the Inter-*
14 *nal Revenue Code of 1986.*

15 (12) *Sections 254(b)(2)(B) and 263(a)(2)(C) of*
16 *the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C.*
17 *1633(b)(2)(B), 1643(a)(2)(C)).*

18 (13) *Section 3803(c)(2)(C)(xiii) of title 31,*
19 *United States Code.*

20 (14) *Section 602(d)(9)(A) of the Federal Prop-*
21 *erty and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40*
22 *U.S.C. 474(d)(9)(A)).*

23 (15) *Sections 2(4), 3(1), and 301 of the Healthy*
24 *Meals for Healthy Americans Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C.*
25 *1751 note; Public Law 103–448).*

1 (16) Sections 3, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16(b), 17, and
 2 19(d) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.
 3 1772, 1773, 1776, 1779, 1782, 1785(b), 1786,
 4 1788(d)).

5 (17) Section 658O(b)(3) of the Child Care and
 6 Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
 7 9858m(b)(3)).

8 (18) Subsection (b) of the first section of Public
 9 Law 87–688 (48 U.S.C. 1666(b)).

10 (19) Section 10405(a)(2)(H) of the Omnibus
 11 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 (Public Law 101–
 12 239; 103 Stat. 2489).

13 SEC. 753. Public Law 105–199 (112 Stat. 641) is
 14 amended in section 3(b)(1)(G) by striking “persons”, and
 15 inserting in lieu thereof “governors, who may be represented
 16 on the Commission by their respective designees,”.

17 SEC. 754. SENSE OF THE SENATE CONCERNING AC-
 18 TION PLAN ON FOOD SECURITY. It is the sense of the Senate
 19 that the President should include in the fiscal year 2001
 20 budget request funding to implement the United States Ac-
 21 tion Plan on Food Security.

22 SEC. 755. FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS FACING APPLE
 23 FARMERS. The Farm Service Agency—

24 (1) in view of the financial hardship facing United
 25 States apple farmers as a result of a loss of markets and

1 *excessive imports of apple juice concentrate, shall review all*
 2 *programs that assist apple growers in time of need;*

3 *(2) in view of the increased operating costs asso-*
 4 *ciated with tree fruit production, shall review the lim-*
 5 *its currently set on operating loan programs used by*
 6 *apple growers to determine whether the current limits*
 7 *are insufficient to cover those costs; and*

8 *(3) shall report to Congress its findings not later*
 9 *than January 1, 2000.*

10 *SEC. 756. Section 889 of the Federal Agriculture Im-*
 11 *provement and Reform Act of 1996 is amended—*

12 *(1) in the heading, by inserting “HARRY K.*
 13 *DUPREE” before “STUTTGART”;*

14 *(2) in subsection (b)(1)—*

15 *(A) in the heading, by inserting “HARRY*
 16 *K. DUPREE” before “STUTTGART”; and*

17 *(B) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by in-*
 18 *serting “Harry K. Dupree” before “Stuttgart*
 19 *National Aquaculture Research Center” each*
 20 *place it appears.*

21 *SEC. 757. TOBACCO LEASING AND INFORMATION. (a)*
 22 *CROSS-COUNTY LEASING.—Section 319(l) of the Agricul-*
 23 *tural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1314e(l)) is amend-*
 24 *ed in the second sentence by inserting “, Kentucky,” after*
 25 *“Tennessee”.*

1 (b) *TOBACCO PRODUCTION AND MARKETING INFORMA-*
 2 *TION.*—*Part I of subtitle B of title III of the Agricultural*
 3 *Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1311 et seq.) is amended*
 4 *by adding at the end the following:*

5 **“SEC. 320D. TOBACCO PRODUCTION AND MARKETING IN-**
 6 **FORMATION.**

7 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Notwithstanding any other provi-*
 8 *sion of law, the Secretary may, subject to subsection (b),*
 9 *release marketing information submitted by persons relat-*
 10 *ing to the production and marketing of tobacco to State*
 11 *trusts or similar organizations engaged in the distribution*
 12 *of national trust funds to tobacco producers and other per-*
 13 *sons with interests associated with the production of to-*
 14 *bacco, as determined by the Secretary.*

15 “(b) *LIMITATIONS.*—

16 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Information may be released*
 17 *under subsection (a) only to the extent that—*

18 “(A) *the release is in the interest of tobacco*
 19 *producers, as determined by the Secretary; and*

20 “(B) *the information is released to a State*
 21 *trust or other organization that is created to, or*
 22 *charged with, distributing funds to tobacco pro-*
 23 *ducers or other parties with an interest in to-*
 24 *bacco production or tobacco farms under a na-*
 25 *tional or State trust or settlement.*

1 “(2) *EXEMPTION FROM RELEASE.*—*The Sec-*
 2 *retary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, in*
 3 *advance of making a release of information under*
 4 *subsection (a), allow, by announcement, a period of at*
 5 *least 15 days for persons whose consent would other-*
 6 *wise be required by law to effectuate the release, to*
 7 *elect to be exempt from the release.*

8 “(c) *ASSISTANCE.*—

9 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*In making a release under*
 10 *subsection (a), the Secretary may provide such other*
 11 *assistance with respect to information released under*
 12 *subsection (a) as will facilitate the interest of pro-*
 13 *ducers in receiving the funds that are the subject of*
 14 *a trust described in subsection (a).*

15 “(2) *FUNDS.*—*The Secretary shall use amounts*
 16 *made available for salaries and expenses of the De-*
 17 *partment to carry out paragraph (1).*

18 “(d) *RECORDS.*—

19 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*A person that obtains infor-*
 20 *mation described in subsection (a) shall maintain*
 21 *records that are consistent with the purposes of the re-*
 22 *lease and shall not use the records for any purpose*
 23 *not authorized under this section.*

1 “(2) *PENALTY.*—A person that knowingly vio-
 2 lates this subsection shall be fined not more than
 3 \$10,000, imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

4 “(e) *APPLICATION.*—This section shall not apply to—
 5 “(1) records submitted by cigarette manufactur-
 6 ers with respect to the production of cigarettes;

7 “(2) records that were submitted as expected pur-
 8 chase intentions in connection with the establishment
 9 of national tobacco quotas; or

10 “(3) records that aggregate the purchases of par-
 11 ticular buyers.”.

12 *SEC. 758. That notwithstanding section 306(a)(7) of*
 13 *the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7*
 14 *U.S.C. 1926(a)(7)), the city of Berlin, New Hampshire,*
 15 *shall be eligible during fiscal year 2000 for a rural utilities*
 16 *grant or loan under the Rural Community Advancement*
 17 *Program.*

18 *SEC. 759. CRANBERRY MARKETING ORDERS. (a) PAID*
 19 *ADVERTISING FOR CRANBERRIES AND CRANBERRY PROD-*
 20 *UCTS.*—*Section 8c(6)(I) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act*
 21 *(7 U.S.C. 608c(6)(I)), reenacted with amendments by the*
 22 *Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, is amended*
 23 *in the first proviso—*

1 (1) by striking “or Florida grown strawberries”
 2 and inserting “, Florida grown strawberries, or cran-
 3 berries”; and

4 (2) by striking “and Florida Indian River
 5 grapefruit” and inserting “Florida Indian River
 6 grapefruit, and cranberries”.

7 (b) *COLLECTION OF CRANBERRY INVENTORY DATA.*—
 8 Section 8d of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C.
 9 608d), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural
 10 Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, is amended by adding
 11 at the end the following:

12 “(3) *COLLECTION OF CRANBERRY INVENTORY DATA.*—

13 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—If an order is in effect with
 14 respect to cranberries, the Secretary of Agriculture
 15 may require persons engaged in the handling or im-
 16 portation of cranberries or cranberry products (in-
 17 cluding producer-handlers, second handlers, proc-
 18 essors, brokers, and importers) to provide such infor-
 19 mation as the Secretary considers necessary to effec-
 20 tuate the declared policy of this title, including infor-
 21 mation on acquisitions, inventories, and dispositions
 22 of cranberries and cranberry products.

23 “(B) *DELEGATION TO COMMITTEE.*—The Sec-
 24 retary may delegate the authority to carry out sub-

1 *paragraph (A) to any committee that is responsible*
 2 *for administering an order covering cranberries.*

3 *“(C) CONFIDENTIALITY.—Paragraph (2) shall*
 4 *apply to information provided under this paragraph.*

5 *“(D) VIOLATIONS.—Any person that violates this*
 6 *paragraph shall be subject to the penalties provided*
 7 *under section 8c(14).”.*

8 *SEC. 760. Beginning in fiscal year 2001 and there-*
 9 *after, the Food Stamp Act (Public Law 95–113, section*
 10 *16(a)) is amended by inserting after the phrase “Indian*
 11 *reservation under section 11(d) of this Act” the following*
 12 *new phrase: “or in a Native village within the State of Alas-*
 13 *ka identified in section 11(b) of Public Law 92–203, as*
 14 *amended.”.*

15 *SEC. 761. It is the sense of the Senate that the Sec-*
 16 *retary of Agriculture shall periodically review the Food*
 17 *Packages listed at 7 C.F.R. 246.10(c)(1996) and consider*
 18 *including additional nutritious foods for women, infants*
 19 *and children.*

20 *SEC. 762. EDUCATION GRANTS TO ALASKA NATIVE*
 21 *SERVING INSTITUTIONS AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN SERVING*
 22 *INSTITUTIONS. (a) EDUCATION GRANTS PROGRAM FOR*
 23 *ALASKA NATIVE SERVING INSTITUTIONS.—*

24 *(1) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Agri-*
 25 *culture may make competitive grants (or grants with-*

1 *out regard to any requirement for competition) to*
2 *Alaska Native serving institutions for the purpose of*
3 *promoting and strengthening the ability of Alaska*
4 *Native serving institutions to carry out education,*
5 *applied research, and related community development*
6 *programs.*

7 (2) *USE OF GRANT FUNDS.—Grants made under*
8 *this section shall be used—*

9 (A) *to support the activities of consortia of*
10 *Alaska Native serving institutions to enhance*
11 *educational equity for under represented stu-*
12 *dents;*

13 (B) *to strengthen institutional educational*
14 *capacities, including libraries, curriculum, fac-*
15 *ulty, scientific instrumentation, instruction de-*
16 *livery systems, and student recruitment and re-*
17 *tention, in order to respond to identified State,*
18 *regional, national, or international educational*
19 *needs in the food and agriculture sciences;*

20 (C) *to attract and support undergraduate*
21 *and graduate students from under represented*
22 *groups in order to prepare them for careers re-*
23 *lated to the food, agricultural, and natural re-*
24 *source systems of the United States, beginning*
25 *with the mentoring of students at the high school*

level including by village elders and continuing with the provision of financial support for students through their attainment of a doctoral degree; and

(D) to facilitate cooperative initiatives between two or more Alaska Native serving institutions, or between Alaska Native serving institutions and units of State government or the private sector, to maximize the development and use of resources, such as faculty, facilities, and equipment, to improve food and agricultural sciences teaching programs.

(3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

There are authorized to be appropriated to make grants under this subsection \$10,000,000 in fiscal years 2001 through 2006.

(b) EDUCATION GRANTS PROGRAM FOR NATIVE HAWAIIAN SERVING INSTITUTIONS.—

(1) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Agriculture may make competitive grants (or grants without regard to any requirement for competition) to Native Hawaiian serving institutions for the purpose of promoting and strengthening the ability of Native Hawaiian serving institutions to carry out education,

1 *applied research, and related community development*
2 *programs.*

3 (2) *USE OF GRANT FUNDS.—Grants made under*
4 *this section shall be used—*

5 (A) *to support the activities of consortia of*
6 *Native Hawaiian serving institutions to enhance*
7 *educational equity for under represented stu-*
8 *dents;*

9 (B) *to strengthen institutional educational*
10 *capacities, including libraries, curriculum, fac-*
11 *ulty, scientific instrumentation, instruction de-*
12 *livery systems, and student recruitment and re-*
13 *tention, in order to respond to identified State,*
14 *regional, national, or international educational*
15 *needs in the food and agriculture sciences;*

16 (C) *to attract and support undergraduate*
17 *and graduate students from under represented*
18 *groups in order to prepare them for careers re-*
19 *lated to the food, agricultural, and natural re-*
20 *source systems of the United States, beginning*
21 *with the mentoring of students at the high school*
22 *level and continuing with the provision of finan-*
23 *cial support for students through their attain-*
24 *ment of a doctoral degree; and*

1 (D) to facilitate cooperative initiatives be-
 2 tween two or more Native Hawaiian serving in-
 3 stitutions, or between Native Hawaiian serving
 4 institutions and units of State government or the
 5 private sector, to maximize the development and
 6 use of resources, such as faculty, facilities, and
 7 equipment, to improve food and agricultural
 8 sciences teaching programs.

9 (3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

10 There are authorized to be appropriated to make
 11 grants under this subsection \$10,000,000 for each of
 12 fiscal years 2001 through 2006.

13 SEC. 763. SMITH-LEVER ACT ALLOCATIONS IN STATES
 14 WITH CONGRESSIONALLY-AUTHORIZED COST-OF-LIVING
 15 ADJUSTMENTS. Beginning in fiscal year 2001 and there-
 16 after, a State in which Federal employees receive a special
 17 allowance because of the high cost of living or conditions
 18 of environment which differ substantially from conditions
 19 in other parts of the country as provided under section 1
 20 of title IV of Public Law 102–141 (105 Stat. 861) shall
 21 receive an allotment of no less than \$2,000,000 under the
 22 Smith-Lever Act of 1914, as amended (7 U.S.C. 343).

23 SEC. 764. HATCH ACT ALLOCATIONS IN STATES WITH
 24 CONGRESSIONALLY-AUTHORIZED COST-OF-LIVING ADJUST-
 25 MENTS. Beginning in fiscal year 2001 and thereafter, a

1 *State in which Federal employees receive a special allow-*
 2 *ance because of the high cost of living or conditions of envi-*
 3 *ronment which differ substantially from conditions in other*
 4 *parts of the country as provided under section 1 of title*
 5 *IV of Public Law 102–141 (105 Stat. 861) shall receive an*
 6 *allotment of no less than \$2,000,000 under 7 U.S.C. 361c(c).*

7 *SEC. 765. It is the sense of the Senate that the Food*
 8 *and Drug Administration, to the maximum extent possible,*
 9 *when conducting an Import Food Survey under the Presi-*
 10 *dent’s Food Safety Initiative, ensure timely testing of*
 11 *produce imports by conducting survey tests at the United*
 12 *States Department of Agriculture or the Food and Drug*
 13 *Administration laboratory closest to the port of entry if test-*
 14 *ing results are not provided within twenty-four hours of*
 15 *collection.*

16 *SEC. 766. DEREGULATION OF PRODUCER MILK*
 17 *PRICES IN CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA. Effective October 1,*
 18 *1999, section 8c(11) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7*
 19 *U.S.C. 608c(11)), reenacted with amendments by the Agri-*
 20 *cultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, is amended by*
 21 *adding at the end the following:*

22 “(D) *PRODUCER MILK PRICES IN CLARK*
 23 *COUNTY, NEVADA.—The price of milk received by*
 24 *producers located in Clark County, Nevada—*

1 “(i) shall not be subject to any order
2 issued under this section or any other regu-
3 lation by the Secretary; and

4 “(ii) shall solely be regulated by the
5 State of Nevada and the Nevada State
6 Dairy Commission.”.

7 *SEC. 767. (a) The Senate finds that—*

8 *(1) agricultural producers in the United States*
9 *compete effectively when world markets are not dis-*
10 *torted by government intervention;*

11 *(2) the elimination of barriers to competition in*
12 *world markets for agricultural commodities is in the*
13 *interest of producers and consumers in the United*
14 *States;*

15 *(3) the United States must provide leadership on*
16 *the opening of the agricultural markets in upcoming*
17 *multilateral World Trade Organization negotiations;*

18 *(4) countries that import agricultural commod-*
19 *ities are more likely to liberalize practices if they are*
20 *confident that their trading partners will not curtail*
21 *the availability of agricultural commodities on world*
22 *markets for foreign policy purposes; and*

23 *(5) a multilateral commitment to use the open*
24 *market, rather than government intervention, to guar-*

Attest: **JEFF TRANDAH**,
Clerk.

Attest: GARY SISCO,
Secretary.