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**TEXT OF H.R. _____, AGRICULTURE, RURAL
DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINIS-
TRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPRO-
PRIATIONS ACT, 2025**

**[Showing the text of H.R. _____, Agriculture, Rural Develop-
ment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
Appropriations Act, 2025, as ordered reported by the Com-
mittee on Appropriations.]**

That the following sums are appropriated, out of
any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Ad-
ministration, and Related Agencies programs for fiscal
year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes,
namely:

1 TITLE I
2 AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS
3 PROCESSING, RESEARCH, AND MARKETING
4 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary,
7 \$40,457,000 of which not to exceed \$5,051,000 shall be
8 available for the immediate Office of the Secretary; not
9 to exceed \$2,146,000 shall be available for the Office of

1 Homeland Security; not to exceed \$5,190,000 shall be
2 available for the Office of Tribal Relations; not to exceed
3 \$4,711,000 shall be available for the Office of Partner-
4 ships and Public Engagement, of which \$1,500,000 shall
5 be for 7 U.S.C. 2279(c)(5); not to exceed \$16,859,000
6 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary
7 for Administration, of which \$15,984,000 shall be avail-
8 able for Departmental Administration to provide for nec-
9 essary expenses for management support services to of-
10 fices of the Department and for general administration,
11 security, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous
12 supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and nec-
13 essary for the practical and efficient work of the Depart-
14 ment: *Provided*, That funds made available by this Act to
15 an agency in the Administration mission area for salaries
16 and expenses are available to fund up to one administra-
17 tive support staff for the Office; not to exceed \$3,000,000
18 shall be available for the Office of Assistant Secretary for
19 Congressional Relations and Intergovernmental Affairs to
20 carry out the programs funded by this Act, including pro-
21 grams involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison
22 within the executive branch; and not to exceed \$3,500,000
23 shall be available for the Office of Communications: *Pro-*
24 *vided further*, That the Secretary of Agriculture is author-
25 ized to transfer funds appropriated for any office of the

1 Office of the Secretary to any other office of the Office
2 of the Secretary: *Provided further*, That no appropriation
3 for any office shall be increased or decreased by more than
4 5 percent: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$22,000
5 of the amount made available under this paragraph for
6 the immediate Office of the Secretary shall be available
7 for official reception and representation expenses, not oth-
8 erwise provided for, as determined by the Secretary: *Pro-*
9 *vided further*, That the amount made available under this
10 heading for Departmental Administration shall be reim-
11 bursed from applicable appropriations in this Act for trav-
12 el expenses incident to the holding of hearings as required
13 by 5 U.S.C. 551–558: *Provided further*, That funds made
14 available under this heading for the Office of the Assistant
15 Secretary for Congressional Relations and Intergovern-
16 mental Affairs shall be transferred to agencies of the De-
17 partment of Agriculture funded by this Act to maintain
18 personnel at the agency level: *Provided further*, That no
19 funds made available under this heading for the Office of
20 Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations may be
21 obligated after 30 days from the date of enactment of this
22 Act, unless the Secretary has notified the Committees on
23 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress on the alloca-
24 tion of these funds by USDA agency: *Provided further*,
25 That during any 30 day notification period referenced in

1 section 716 of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall
2 take no action to begin implementation of the action that
3 is subject to section 716 of this Act or make any public
4 announcement of such action in any form.

5 EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

6 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ECONOMIST

7 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief
8 Economist, \$31,025,000, of which \$10,225,000 shall be
9 for grants or cooperative agreements for policy research
10 under 7 U.S.C. 3155: *Provided*, That of the amounts made
11 available under this heading, \$500,000 shall be available
12 to carry out section 224 of subtitle A of the Department
13 of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C.
14 6924), as amended by section 12504 of Public Law 115–
15 334.

16 OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

17 For necessary expenses of the Office of Hearings and
18 Appeals, \$12,222,000.

19 OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

20 For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and
21 Program Analysis, \$9,337,000.

22 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

23 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief In-
24 formation Officer, \$66,814,000, of which not less than

1 \$56,858,000 is for cybersecurity requirements of the de-
2 partment.

3 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

4 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi-
5 nancial Officer, \$6,028,000.

6 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CIVIL

7 RIGHTS

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Assistant
9 Secretary for Civil Rights, \$901,000: *Provided*, That
10 funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Civil
11 Rights mission area for salaries and expenses are available
12 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-
13 fice.

14 OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

15 For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights,
16 \$22,789,000.

17 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

19 For necessary expenses of the Department of Agri-
20 culture, to comply with the Comprehensive Environmental
21 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C.
22 9601 et seq.) and the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C.
23 6901 et seq.), \$2,000,000, to remain available until ex-
24 pended: *Provided*, That appropriations and funds available
25 herein to the Department for Hazardous Materials Man-

1 agement may be transferred to any agency of the Depart-
2 ment for its use in meeting all requirements pursuant to
3 the above Acts on Federal and non-Federal lands.

4 OFFICE OF SAFETY, SECURITY, AND PROTECTION

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of Safety, Secu-
6 rity, and Protection, \$5,000,000.

7 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
9 General, including employment pursuant to the Inspector
10 General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5 U.S.C. App.),
11 \$106,561,000, including such sums as may be necessary
12 for contracting and other arrangements with public agen-
13 cies and private persons pursuant to section 6(a)(9) of the
14 Inspector General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5
15 U.S.C. App.), and including not to exceed \$125,000 for
16 certain confidential operational expenses, including the
17 payment of informants, to be expended under the direction
18 of the Inspector General pursuant to the Inspector Gen-
19 eral Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5 U.S.C. App.) and
20 section 1337 of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981
21 (Public Law 97–98).

22 OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

23 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General
24 Counsel, \$45,146,000.

1 OFFICE OF ETHICS

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of Ethics,
3 \$4,136,000.

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

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
7 Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics,
8 \$1,800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this
9 Act to an agency in the Research, Education, and Eco-
10 nomics mission area for salaries and expenses are avail-
11 able to fund up to one administrative support staff for
12 the Office: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made
13 available under this heading, \$1,000,000 shall be made
14 available for the Office of the Chief Scientist.

15 ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

16 For necessary expenses of the Economic Research
17 Service, \$85,612,000.

18 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

19 For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural
20 Statistics Service, \$187,513,000, of which up to
21 \$46,850,000 shall be available until expended for the Cen-
22 sus of Agriculture: *Provided*, That amounts made available
23 for the Census of Agriculture may be used to conduct Cur-
24 rent Industrial Report surveys subject to 7 U.S.C.
25 2204g(d) and (f): *Provided further*, That of the amounts

1 made available no more than \$1,000,000 may be used by
2 the National Agricultural Statistics Service to enter into
3 research and development contracts: *Provided further*,
4 That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Appro-
5 priations of the House and Senate in writing 30 days prior
6 to discontinuing data collection programs and reports.

7 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

8 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Research
10 Service and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange,
11 or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100,000 and
12 with prior notification and approval of the Committees on
13 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, and for land
14 exchanges where the lands exchanged shall be of equal
15 value or shall be equalized by a payment of money to the
16 grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total
17 value of the land or interests transferred out of Federal
18 ownership, \$1,793,829,000: *Provided*, That appropriations
19 hereunder shall be available for the operation and mainte-
20 nance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed one
21 for replacement only: *Provided further*, That appropria-
22 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C.
23 2250 for the construction, alteration, and repair of build-
24 ings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the
25 cost of constructing any one building shall not exceed

1 \$500,000, except for headhouses or greenhouses which
2 shall each be limited to \$1,800,000, except for 10 build-
3 ings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed
4 \$1,100,000 each, and except for four buildings to be con-
5 structed at a cost not to exceed \$5,000,000 each, and the
6 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
7 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
8 value of the building or \$500,000, whichever is greater:
9 *Provided further*, That appropriations hereunder shall be
10 available for entering into lease agreements at any Agri-
11 cultural Research Service location for the construction of
12 a research facility by a non-Federal entity for use by the
13 Agricultural Research Service and a condition of the lease
14 shall be that any facility shall be owned, operated, and
15 maintained by the non-Federal entity and shall be re-
16 moved upon the expiration or termination of the lease
17 agreement: *Provided further*, That the limitations on alter-
18 ations contained in this Act shall not apply to moderniza-
19 tion or replacement of existing facilities at Beltsville,
20 Maryland: *Provided further*, That appropriations here-
21 under shall be available for granting easements at the
22 Beltsville Agricultural Research Center: *Provided further*,
23 That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to replace-
24 ment of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April
25 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): *Provided further*, That appro-

priations hereunder shall be available for granting easements at any Agricultural Research Service location for the construction of a research facility by a non-Federal entity for use by, and acceptable to, the Agricultural Research Service and a condition of the easements shall be that upon completion the facility shall be accepted by the Secretary, subject to the availability of funds herein, if the Secretary finds that acceptance of the facility is in the interest of the United States: *Provided further*, That funds may be received from any State, other political subdivision, organization, or individual for the purpose of establishing or operating any research facility or research project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized by law.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For the acquisition of land, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural research programs of the Department of Agriculture, where not otherwise provided, \$26,900,000, to remain available until expended, for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled “Community Project Funding” in the report accompanying this Act.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
2 RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

3 For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for
4 cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and
5 for other expenses, \$1,071,900,000, which shall be for the
6 purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table titled
7 “National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Research
8 and Education Activities” in the report accompanying this
9 Act: *Provided*, That funds for research grants for 1994
10 institutions, education grants for 1890 institutions, His-
11 panic serving institutions education grants, capacity build-
12 ing for non-land-grant colleges of agriculture, the agri-
13 culture and food research initiative, veterinary medicine
14 loan repayment, multicultural scholars, graduate fellow-
15 ship and institution challenge grants, grants management
16 systems, tribal colleges education equity grants, and schol-
17 arships at 1890 institutions shall remain available until
18 expended: *Provided further*, That each institution eligible
19 to receive funds under the Evans-Allen program receives
20 no less than \$1,000,000: *Provided further*, That funds for
21 education grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-
22 serving institutions be made available to individual eligible
23 institutions or consortia of eligible institutions with funds
24 awarded equally to each of the States of Alaska and Ha-
25 waii: *Provided further*, That funds for providing grants for

1 food and agricultural sciences for Alaska Native and Na-
2 tive Hawaiian-Serving institutions and for Insular Areas
3 shall remain available until September 30, 2026: *Provided*
4 *further*, That funds for education grants for 1890 institu-
5 tions shall be made available to institutions eligible to re-
6 ceive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That not more than 5 percent of the amounts made
8 available by this or any other Act to carry out the Agri-
9 culture and Food Research Initiative under 7 U.S.C. 3157
10 may be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture to pay
11 administrative costs incurred by the Secretary in carrying
12 out that authority.

13 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

14 For the Native American Institutions Endowment
15 Fund authorized by Public Law 103–382 (7 U.S.C. 301
16 note), \$11,880,000, to remain available until expended.

17 EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

18 For payments to States, the District of Columbia,
19 Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, the
20 Northern Marianas, and American Samoa, \$561,164,000
21 which shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, speci-
22 fied in the table titled “National Institute of Food and
23 Agriculture, Extension Activities” in the report accom-
24 panying this Act: *Provided*, That funds for extension serv-
25 ices at 1994 institutions and for facility improvements at

1 1890 institutions shall remain available until expended:
2 *Provided further*, That institutions eligible to receive funds
3 under 7 U.S.C. 3221 for cooperative extension receive no
4 less than \$1,000,000: *Provided further*, That funds for co-
5 operative extension under sections 3(b) and (c) of the
6 Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 343(b) and (c)) and section
7 208(c) of Public Law 93–471 shall be available for retire-
8 ment and employees’ compensation costs for extension
9 agents.

10 INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

11 For the integrated research, education, and extension
12 grants programs, including necessary administrative ex-
13 penses, \$41,100,000, which shall be for the purposes, and
14 in the amounts, specified in the table titled “National In-
15 stitute of Food and Agriculture, Integrated Activities” in
16 the report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That funds
17 for the Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative shall re-
18 main available until September 30, 2026: *Provided further*,
19 That notwithstanding any other provision of law, indirect
20 costs shall not be charged against any Extension Imple-
21 mentation Program Area grant awarded under the Crop
22 Protection/Pest Management Program (7 U.S.C. 7626).

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

3 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
4 Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs,
5 \$800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this
6 Act to an agency in the Marketing and Regulatory Pro-
7 grams mission area for salaries and expenses are available
8 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-
9 fice.

10 ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
11 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
12 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

13 For necessary expenses of the Animal and Plant
14 Health Inspection Service, including up to \$30,000 for
15 representation allowances and for expenses pursuant to
16 the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4085),
17 \$1,147,250,000; of which \$250,000, to remain available
18 until expended, shall be available for the control of out-
19 breaks of insects, plant diseases, animal diseases and for
20 control of pest animals and birds (“contingency fund”) to
21 the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions; of
22 which \$15,500,000, to remain available until expended,
23 shall be used for the cotton pests program, including for
24 cost share purposes or for debt retirement for active eradi-
25 cation zones; of which \$42,000,000, to remain available

1 until expended, shall be for Animal Health Technical Serv-
2 ices; of which \$36,500,000, to remain available until ex-
3 pended, shall be for agricultural quarantine and inspection
4 services; of which \$2,500,000 shall be for activities under
5 the authority of the Horse Protection Act of 1970, as
6 amended (15 U.S.C. 1831); of which \$65,000,000, to re-
7 main available until expended, shall be used to support
8 avian health; of which \$3,000,000, to remain available
9 until expended, shall be for information technology infra-
10 structure; of which \$216,500,000, to remain available
11 until expended, shall be for specialty crop pests, of which
12 \$8,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2026,
13 shall be for one-time control and management and associ-
14 ated activities directly related to the multiple-agency re-
15 sponse to citrus greening; of which, \$10,500,000, to re-
16 main available until expended, shall be for field crop and
17 rangeland ecosystem pests; of which \$21,000,000, to re-
18 main available until expended, shall be for zoonotic disease
19 management; of which \$44,500,000, to remain available
20 until expended, shall be for emergency preparedness and
21 response; of which \$58,000,000, to remain available until
22 expended, shall be for tree and wood pests; of which
23 \$6,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be
24 for the National Veterinary Stockpile; of which up to
25 \$1,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be

1 for the scrapie program for indemnities; of which
2 \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be
3 for the wildlife damage management program for aviation
4 safety: *Provided*, That of amounts available under this
5 heading for wildlife services methods development,
6 \$1,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *Pro-*
7 *vided further*, That of amounts available under this head-
8 ing for the screwworm program, \$4,990,000 shall remain
9 available until expended; of which \$24,527,000, to remain
10 available until expended, shall be used to carry out the
11 science program and transition activities for the National
12 Bio and Agro-defense Facility located in Manhattan, Kan-
13 sas: *Provided further*, That no funds shall be used to for-
14 mulate or administer a brucellosis eradication program for
15 the current fiscal year that does not require minimum
16 matching by the States of at least 40 percent: *Provided*
17 *further*, That this appropriation shall be available for the
18 purchase, replacement, operation, and maintenance of air-
19 craft: *Provided further*, That in addition, in emergencies
20 which threaten any segment of the agricultural production
21 industry of the United States, the Secretary may transfer
22 from other appropriations or funds available to the agen-
23 cies or corporations of the Department such sums as may
24 be deemed necessary, to be available only in such emer-
25 gencies for the arrest and eradication of contagious or in-

1 fectious disease or pests of animals, poultry, or plants, and
2 for expenses in accordance with sections 10411 and 10417
3 of the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8310 and
4 8316) and sections 431 and 442 of the Plant Protection
5 Act (7 U.S.C. 7751 and 7772), and any unexpended bal-
6 ances of funds transferred for such emergency purposes
7 in the preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such
8 transferred amounts: *Provided further*, That appropria-
9 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to law (7
10 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alteration of leased build-
11 ings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided the
12 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
13 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
14 value of the building.

15 In fiscal year 2025, the agency is authorized to collect
16 fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assist-
17 ance, goods, or services requested by States, other political
18 subdivisions, domestic and international organizations,
19 foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such
20 fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such
21 fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods,
22 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such
23 fees shall be reimbursed to this account, to remain avail-
24 able until expended, without further appropriation, for
25 providing such assistance, goods, or services.

1 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

2 MARKETING SERVICES

3 For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Marketing
4 Service, \$192,200,000, of which \$5,000,000 shall be avail-
5 able for the purposes of section 12306 of Public Law 113–
6 79, and of which \$1,000,000 shall be available for the pur-
7 poses of section 779 of division A of Public Law 117–
8 103: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under
9 this heading, \$9,000,000, to remain available until ex-
10 pended, shall be to carry out section 12513 of Public Law
11 115–334, of which \$7,000,000 shall be for dairy business
12 innovation initiatives established in Public Law 116–6 and
13 the Secretary shall take measures to ensure an equal dis-
14 tribution of funds between these three regional innovation
15 initiatives: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall
16 be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alter-
17 ation and repair of buildings and improvements, but the
18 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
19 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
20 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), except for the cost of activities relating to
24 the development or maintenance of grain standards under

1 the United States Grain Standards Act, 7 U.S.C. 71 et
2 seq.

3 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

4 Not to exceed \$62,596,000 (from fees collected) shall
5 be obligated during the current fiscal year for administra-
6 tive expenses: *Provided*, That if crop size is understated
7 and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may
8 exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification
9 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of
10 Congress.

11 FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND

12 SUPPLY (SECTION 32)

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

14 Funds available under section 32 of the Act of Au-
15 gust 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), shall be used only for com-
16 modity program expenses as authorized therein, and other
17 related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the
18 Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and
19 Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a et seq.); (2) trans-
20 fers otherwise provided in this Act; and (3) not more than
21 \$22,701,000 for formulation and administration of mar-
22 keting agreements and orders pursuant to the Agricultural
23 Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural
24 Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-128).

1 PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

2 For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus
3 and departments of markets, and similar agencies for
4 marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul-
5 tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)),
6 \$1,000,000.

7 LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES

8 EXPENSES

9 Not to exceed \$55,000,000 (from fees collected) shall
10 be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection
11 and weighing services: *Provided*, That if grain export ac-
12 tivities require additional supervision and oversight, or
13 other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be
14 exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Com-
15 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

16 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD SAFETY

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, \$800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Food Safety mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

23 FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

24 For necessary expenses to carry out services author-
25 ized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry

1 Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection
2 Act, including not to exceed \$10,000 for representation
3 allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the
4 Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),
5 \$1,223,841,000; and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be cred-
6 ited to this account from fees collected for the cost of lab-
7 oratory accreditation as authorized by section 1327 of the
8 Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990
9 (7 U.S.C. 138f): *Provided*, That funds provided for the
10 Public Health Data Communication Infrastructure system
11 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*,
12 That no fewer than 148 full-time equivalent positions shall
13 be employed during fiscal year 2025 for purposes dedi-
14 cated solely to inspections and enforcement related to the
15 Humane Methods of Slaughter Act (7 U.S.C. 1901 et
16 seq.): *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be
17 available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alter-
18 ation and repair of buildings and improvements, but 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.

1 TITLE II
2 FARM PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION
3 PROGRAMS

4 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM
5 PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
7 Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation,
8 \$901,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this
9 Act to an agency in the Farm Production and Conserva-
10 tion mission area for salaries and expenses are available
11 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-
12 fice.

13 FARM PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION BUSINESS
14 CENTER

15 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
16 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

17 For necessary expenses of the Farm Production and
18 Conservation Business Center, \$213,671,000, of which
19 \$1,000,000 shall be for the implementation of section 773
20 of Public Law 117–328: *Provided*, That \$70,740,000 of
21 amounts appropriated for the current fiscal year pursuant
22 to section 1241(a) of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
23 ment Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)) shall be transferred
24 to and merged with this account.

1 FARM SERVICE AGENCY

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For necessary expenses of the Farm Service Agency,
5 \$1,204,307,000, of which not less than \$15,000,000 shall
6 be for the hiring of new employees to fill vacancies and
7 anticipated vacancies at Farm Service Agency county of-
8 fices and farm loan officers and shall be available until
9 September 30, 2026: *Provided*, That the agency shall sub-
10 mit a report by the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal
11 year 2025 to the Committees on Appropriations of both
12 Houses of Congress that identifies for each project/invest-
13 ment that is operational (a) current performance against
14 key indicators of customer satisfaction, (b) current per-
15 formance of service level agreements or other technical
16 metrics, (c) current performance against a pre-established
17 cost baseline, (d) a detailed breakdown of current and
18 planned spending on operational enhancements or up-
19 grades, and (e) an assessment of whether the investment
20 continues to meet business needs as intended as well as
21 alternatives to the investment: *Provided further*, That the
22 Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities, and
23 authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity Credit
24 Corporation to make program payments for all programs
25 administered by the Agency: *Provided further*, That other

1 funds made available to the Agency for authorized activi-
2 ties may be advanced to and merged with this account:
3 *Provided further*, That of the amount appropriated under
4 this heading, \$696,594,000 shall be made available to
5 county offices, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
6 *vided further*, That, notwithstanding the preceding pro-
7 viso, any funds made available to county offices in the cur-
8 rent fiscal year that the Administrator of the Farm Serv-
9 ice Agency deems to exceed or not meet the amount need-
10 ed for the county offices may be transferred to or from
11 the Farm Service Agency for necessary expenses: *Provided*
12 *further*, That none of the funds available to the Farm
13 Service Agency shall be used to close Farm Service Agency
14 county offices: *Provided further*, That none of the funds
15 available to the Farm Service Agency shall be used to per-
16 manently relocate county based employees that would re-
17 sult in an office with two or fewer employees without prior
18 notification and approval of the Committees on Appropria-
19 tions of both Houses of Congress.

20 STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

21 For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricul-
22 tural Credit Act of 1987, as amended (7 U.S.C. 5101–
23 5106), \$6,000,000: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Agri-
24 culture may determine that United States territories and

1 Federally recognized Indian tribes are “States” for the
2 purposes of Subtitle A of such Act.

3 GRASSROOTS SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM

4 For necessary expenses to carry out wellhead or
5 groundwater protection activities under section 1240O of
6 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839bb–2),
7 \$7,000,000, to remain available until expended.

8 DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

9 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity
11 payments to dairy farmers and manufacturers of dairy
12 products under a dairy indemnity program, such sums as
13 may be necessary, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
14 *vided*, That such program is carried out by the Secretary
15 in the same manner as the dairy indemnity program de-
16 scribed in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and
17 Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropria-
18 tions Act, 2001 (Public Law 106–387, 114 Stat. 1549A–
19 12).

20 AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM

21 ACCOUNT

22 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

23 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
24 rect and guaranteed farm ownership (7 U.S.C. 1922 et
25 seq.) and operating (7 U.S.C. 1941 et seq.) loans, emer-

1 gency loans (7 U.S.C. 1961 et seq.), Indian tribe land ac-
2 quisition loans (25 U.S.C. 5136), boll weevil loans (7
3 U.S.C. 1989), direct conservation loans (7 U.S.C. 1924
4 et seq.), and relending program (7 U.S.C. 1936c) to be
5 available from funds in the Agricultural Credit Insurance
6 Fund, as follows: \$3,500,000,000 for guaranteed farm
7 ownership loans and \$1,966,970,000 for farm ownership
8 direct loans; \$2,118,491,000 for unsubsidized guaranteed
9 operating loans and \$1,100,000,000 for direct operating
10 loans; emergency loans, \$37,000,000; Indian tribe land ac-
11 quisition loans, \$20,000,000; direct conservation loans,
12 \$300,000,000; relending program, \$7,705,000; and for
13 boll weevil eradication program loans, \$5,000,000: *Pro-*
14 *vided*, That the Secretary shall deem the pink bollworm
15 to be a boll weevil for the purpose of boll weevil eradication
16 program loans.

17 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans and
18 grants, including the cost of modifying loans as defined
19 in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,
20 as follows: \$4,488,000 for emergency loans, to remain
21 available until expended; and \$35,602,000 for direct farm
22 ownership loans, \$2,860,000 for direct farm operating
23 loans, \$2,661,000 for the relending program, and \$18,000
24 for boll weevil eradication program loans.

1 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
2 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
3 \$326,053,000: *Provided*, That of this amount,
4 \$305,803,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the
5 appropriation for “Farm Service Agency, Salaries and Ex-
6 penses”.

7 Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural
8 Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership,
9 operating, conservation, and emergency direct loans and
10 loan guarantees may be transferred among these pro-
11 grams: *Provided*, That the Committees on Appropriations
12 of both Houses of Congress are notified at least 15 days
13 in advance of any transfer.

14 RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

15 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

16 For necessary expenses of the Risk Management
17 Agency, \$61,855,000: *Provided*, That \$1,000,000 of the
18 amount appropriated under this heading in this Act shall
19 be available for compliance and integrity activities re-
20 quired under section 516(b)(2)(C) of the Federal Crop In-
21 surance Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1516(b)(2)(C)), and shall
22 be in addition to amounts otherwise provided for such pur-
23 pose: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$1,000 shall
24 be available for official reception and representation ex-
25 penses, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1506(i).

1 NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

2 CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

3 For necessary expenses for carrying out the provi-
4 sions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f),
5 including preparation of conservation plans and establish-
6 ment of measures to conserve soil and water (including
7 farm irrigation and land drainage and such special meas-
8 ures for soil and water management as may be necessary
9 to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs and to con-
10 trol agricultural related pollutants); operation of conserva-
11 tion plant materials centers; classification and mapping of
12 soil; dissemination of information; acquisition of lands,
13 water, and interests therein for use in the plant materials
14 program by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal
15 cost not to exceed \$100 pursuant to the Act of August
16 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 2268a); purchase and erection or alter-
17 ation or improvement of permanent and temporary build-
18 ings; and operation and maintenance of aircraft,
19 \$902,994,000, to remain available until September 30,
20 2026, of which \$24,240,000 shall be for the purposes, and
21 in the amounts, specified for this account in the table ti-
22 tled “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-
23 panying this Act: *Provided*, That appropriations hereunder
24 shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for construc-
25 tion and improvement of buildings and public improve-

1 ments at plant materials centers, except that the cost of
2 alterations and improvements to other buildings and other
3 public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000: *Provided*
4 *further*, That when buildings or other structures are erect-
5 ed on non-Federal land, that the right to use such land
6 is obtained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That of the total amount available under this head-
8 ing, \$4,000,000 shall be for necessary expenses to carry
9 out the Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Pro-
10 gram under section 222 of subtitle A of title II of the
11 Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7
12 U.S.C. 6923), as amended by section 12302 of Public Law
13 115—334.

14 WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS

15 For necessary expenses to carry out preventive meas-
16 ures, including but not limited to surveys and investiga-
17 tions, engineering operations, works of improvement, and
18 changes in use of land, in accordance with the Watershed
19 Protection and Flood Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001–
20 1005 and 1007–1009) and in accordance with the provi-
21 sions of laws relating to the activities of the Department,
22 \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
23 *vided*, That for funds provided by this Act or any other
24 prior Act, the limitation regarding the size of the water-
25 shed or subwatershed exceeding two hundred and fifty

1 thousand acres in which such activities can be undertaken
2 shall only apply for activities undertaken for the primary
3 purpose of flood prevention (including structural and land
4 treatment measures).

5 WATERSHED REHABILITATION PROGRAM

6 Under the authorities of section 14 of the Watershed
7 Protection and Flood Prevention Act, \$10,000,000 is pro-
8 vided.

9 CORPORATIONS

10 The following corporations and agencies are hereby
11 authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of
12 funds and borrowing authority available to each such cor-
13 poration or agency and in accord with law, and to make
14 contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year
15 limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government
16 Corporation Control Act as may be necessary in carrying
17 out the programs set forth in the budget for the current
18 fiscal year for such corporation or agency, except as here-
19 inafter provided.

20 FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

21 For payments as authorized by section 516 of the
22 Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1516), such sums
23 as may be necessary, to remain available until expended.

1 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND
2 REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For the current fiscal year, such sums as may be nec-
5 essary to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for
6 net realized losses sustained, but not previously reim-
7 bursed, pursuant to section 2 of the Act of August 17,
8 1961 (15 U.S.C. 713a–11): *Provided*, That of the funds
9 available to the Commodity Credit Corporation under sec-
10 tion 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act
11 (15 U.S.C. 714i) for the conduct of its business with the
12 Foreign Agricultural Service, up to \$5,000,000 may be
13 transferred to and used by the Foreign Agricultural Serv-
14 ice for information resource management activities of the
15 Foreign Agricultural Service that are not related to Com-
16 modity Credit Corporation business: *Provided further*,
17 That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Appro-
18 priations of the House and Senate in writing 15 days prior
19 to the obligation or commitment of any emergency funds
20 from the Commodity Credit Corporation: *Provided further*,
21 That such written notification shall include a detailed
22 spend plan for the anticipated uses of such funds and an
23 expected timeline for program execution if such obligation
24 or commitment exceeds \$100,000,000.

1 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

2 (LIMITATION ON EXPENSES)

3 For the current fiscal year, the Commodity Credit
4 Corporation shall not expend more than \$15,000,000 for
5 site investigation and cleanup expenses, and operations
6 and maintenance expenses to comply with the requirement
7 of section 107(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental
8 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C.
9 9607(g)), and section 6001 of the Solid Waste Disposal
10 Act (42 U.S.C. 6961).

1 TITLE III
2 RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
3 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL
4 DEVELOPMENT

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
6 Secretary for Rural Development, \$800,000: *Provided*,
7 That funds made available by this Act to an agency in
8 the Rural Development mission area for salaries and ex-
9 penses are available to fund up to one administrative sup-
10 port staff for the Office.

11 RURAL DEVELOPMENT
12 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
13 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

14 For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-
15 tration and implementation of Rural Development pro-
16 grams, including activities with institutions concerning the
17 development and operation of agricultural cooperatives;
18 and for cooperative agreements; \$346,087,000: *Provided*,
19 That of the amount made available under this heading,
20 no less than \$75,000,000, to remain available until ex-
21 pended, shall be used for information technology expenses:
22 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provi-
23 sion of law, funds appropriated under this heading may
24 be used for advertising and promotional activities that
25 support Rural Development programs: *Provided further*,

1 That in addition to any other funds appropriated for pur-
2 poses authorized by section 502(i) of the Housing Act of
3 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472(i)), any amounts collected under
4 such section, as amended by this Act, will immediately be
5 credited to this account and will remain available until ex-
6 pended for such purposes: *Provided further*, That of the
7 amount made available under this heading, \$2,000,000,
8 to remain available until expended, shall be for the Sec-
9 retary of Agriculture to carry out a pilot program that
10 assists rural hospitals to improve longterm operations and
11 financial health by providing technical assistance through
12 analysis of current hospital management practices.

13 RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

14 RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

15 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
17 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the
18 Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the
19 rural housing insurance fund, as follows: \$950,000,000
20 shall be for section 502 direct loans; \$5,000,000 shall be
21 for a Single Family Housing Relending demonstration
22 program for Native American Tribes; and
23 \$25,000,000,000, which shall remain available until Sep-
24 tember 30, 2026 shall be for section 502 unsubsidized
25 guaranteed loans; \$18,000,000 for section 504 housing re-

1 pair loans; \$48,000,000 for section 515 rental housing;
2 \$400,000,000 for section 538 guaranteed multi-family
3 housing loans; \$10,000,000 for credit sales of single fam-
4 ily housing acquired property; \$5,000,000 for section 523
5 self-help housing land development loans; and \$5,000,000
6 for section 524 site development loans.

7 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including
8 the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of
9 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section
10 502 loans, \$112,100,000 shall be for direct loans; Single
11 Family Housing Relending demonstration program for
12 Native American Tribes, \$2,469,000; section 504 housing
13 repair loans, \$3,852,000; section 523 self-help housing
14 land development loans, \$726,000; section 524 site devel-
15 opment loans, \$491,000; and repair, rehabilitation, and
16 new construction of section 515 rental housing,
17 \$19,003,000, to remain available until September 30,
18 2026: *Provided*, That to support the loan program level
19 for section 538 guaranteed loans made available under
20 this heading the Secretary may charge or adjust any fees
21 to cover the projected cost of such loan guarantees pursu-
22 ant to the provisions of the Credit Reform Act of 1990
23 (2 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), and the interest on such loans may
24 not be subsidized: *Provided further*, That applicants in
25 communities that have a current rural area waiver under

1 section 541 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490q)
2 shall be treated as living in a rural area for purposes of
3 section 502 guaranteed loans provided under this heading:
4 *Provided further*, That of the amounts available under this
5 paragraph for section 502 direct loans, no less than
6 \$5,000,000 shall be available for direct loans for individ-
7 uals whose homes will be built pursuant to a program
8 funded with a mutual and self-help housing grant author-
9 ized by section 523 of the Housing Act of 1949 until June
10 1, 2025: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall imple-
11 ment provisions to provide incentives to nonprofit organi-
12 zations and public housing authorities to facilitate the ac-
13 quisition of Rural Housing Service (RHS) multifamily
14 housing properties by such nonprofit organizations and
15 public housing authorities that commit to keep such prop-
16 erties in the RHS multifamily housing program for a pe-
17 riod of time as determined by the Secretary, with such
18 incentives to include, but not be limited to, the following:
19 allow such nonprofit entities and public housing authori-
20 ties to earn a Return on Investment on their own re-
21 sources to include proceeds from low income housing tax
22 credit syndication, own contributions, grants, and devel-
23 oper loans at favorable rates and terms, invested in a deal;
24 and allow reimbursement of organizational costs associ-

1 ated with owner's oversight of asset referred to as "Asset
2 Management Fee" of up to \$7,500 per property.

3 In addition, for the cost of direct loans and grants,
4 including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section
5 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,
6 \$28,000,000, to remain available until expended, for a
7 demonstration program for the preservation and revital-
8 ization of the sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family
9 rental housing properties to restructure existing USDA
10 multi-family housing loans, as the Secretary deems appro-
11 priate, expressly for the purposes of ensuring the project
12 has sufficient resources to preserve the project for the pur-
13 pose of providing safe and affordable housing for low-in-
14 come residents and farm laborers including reducing or
15 eliminating interest; deferring loan payments, subordi-
16 nating, reducing or re-amortizing loan debt; and other fi-
17 nancial assistance including advances, payments and in-
18 centives (including the ability of owners to obtain reason-
19 able returns on investment) required by the Secretary:
20 *Provided*, That the Secretary shall, as part of the preser-
21 vation and revitalization agreement, obtain a restrictive
22 use agreement consistent with the terms of the restruc-
23 turing.

24 In addition, for the cost of direct loans, grants, and
25 contracts, as authorized by sections 514 and 516 of the

1 Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1484, 1486),
2 \$4,845,000, to remain available until expended for direct
3 farm labor housing loans.

4 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
5 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
6 \$412,254,000 shall be paid to the appropriation for
7 “Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses”.

8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

9 For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-
10 newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)
11 of the Housing Act of 1949 or agreements entered into
12 in lieu of debt forgiveness or payments for eligible house-
13 holds as authorized by section 502(c)(5)(D) of the Hous-
14 ing Act of 1949, \$1,684,376,000, and in addition such
15 sums as may be necessary, as authorized by section 521(c)
16 of the Act, to liquidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year
17 1992 to carry out the rental assistance program under sec-
18 tion 521(a)(2) of the Act: *Provided*, That amounts made
19 available under this heading shall be available for renewal
20 of rental assistance agreements for a maximum of 1,000
21 units where the Secretary determines that a maturing loan
22 for a project cannot reasonably be restructured with an-
23 other USDA loan or modification and the project was op-
24 erating with rental assistance under section 521 of the
25 Housing Act of 1949: *Provided further*, That the Secretary

1 may enter into rental assistance contracts in maturing
2 properties with existing rental assistance agreements not-
3 withstanding any provision of section 521 of the Housing
4 Act of 1949, for a term of at least 10 years but not more
5 than 20 years: *Provided further*, That any agreement to
6 enter into a rental assistance contract under section 521
7 of the Housing Act of 1949 for a maturing property shall
8 obligate the owner to continue to maintain the project as
9 decent, safe, and sanitary housing and to operate the de-
10 velopment in accordance with the Housing Act of 1949,
11 except that rents shall be based on current Fair Market
12 Rents as established by the Department of Housing and
13 Urban Development pursuant to 24 CFR 888 Subpart A,
14 42 U.S.C. 1437f and 3535d, to determine the maximum
15 initial rent and adjusted annually by the Operating Cost
16 Adjustment Factor pursuant to 24 CFR 888 Subpart B,
17 unless the Agency determines that the project's budget-
18 based needs require a higher rent, in which case the Agen-
19 cy may approve a budget-based rent level: *Provided fur-*
20 *ther*, That rental assistance agreements entered into or re-
21 newed during the current fiscal year shall be funded for
22 a one year period: *Provided further*, That upon request by
23 an owner under section 514 or 515 of the Act, the Sec-
24 retary may renew the rental assistance agreement for a
25 period of 20 years or until the term of such loan has ex-

1 pired, subject to annual appropriations: *Provided further,*
2 That any unexpended balances remaining at the end of
3 such one-year agreements may be transferred and used
4 for purposes of any debt reduction, maintenance, repair,
5 or rehabilitation of any existing projects; preservation; and
6 rental assistance activities authorized under title V of the
7 Act: *Provided further,* That rental assistance provided
8 under agreements entered into prior to fiscal year 2024
9 for a farm labor multi-family housing project financed
10 under section 514 or 516 of the Act may not be recaptured
11 for use in another project until such assistance has re-
12 mained unused for a period of twelve consecutive months,
13 if such project has a waiting list of tenants seeking such
14 assistance or the project has rental assistance eligible ten-
15 ants who are not receiving such assistance: *Provided fur-*
16 *ther,* That such recaptured rental assistance shall, to the
17 extent practicable, be applied to another farm labor multi-
18 family housing project financed under section 514 or 516
19 of the Act: *Provided further,* That except as provided in
20 the eighth proviso under this heading and notwithstanding
21 any other provision of the Act, the Secretary may recap-
22 ture rental assistance provided under agreements entered
23 into prior to fiscal year 2024 for a project that the Sec-
24 retary determines no longer needs rental assistance and
25 use such recaptured funds for current needs.

1 RURAL HOUSING VOUCHER ACCOUNT

2 For the rural housing voucher program as authorized
3 under section 542 of the Housing Act of 1949, but not-
4 withstanding subsection (b) of such section, \$54,000,000,
5 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the
6 funds made available under this heading shall be available
7 for rural housing vouchers to any low-income household
8 (including those not receiving rental assistance) residing
9 in a property financed with a section 515 loan which has
10 been prepaid or otherwise paid off after September 30,
11 2005 and is not receiving stand-alone section 521 rental
12 assistance: *Provided further*, That the amount of such
13 voucher shall be the difference between comparable market
14 rent for the section 515 unit and the tenant paid rent for
15 such unit: *Provided further*, That funds made available for
16 such vouchers shall be subject to the availability of annual
17 appropriations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall,
18 to the maximum extent practicable, administer such
19 vouchers with current regulations and administrative guid-
20 ance applicable to section 8 housing vouchers administered
21 by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban
22 Development: *Provided further*, That in addition to any
23 other available funds, the Secretary may expend not more
24 than \$1,000,000 total, from the program funds made

1 available under this heading, for administrative expenses
2 for activities funded under this heading.

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 1490c), \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended.

7 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

8 For grants for very low-income housing repair and
9 rural housing preservation made by the Rural Housing
10 Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474, and 1490m,
11 \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended.

12 RURAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES PROGRAM ACCOUNT

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

14 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
15 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306
16 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated
17 Farm and Rural Development Act, \$1,000,000,000 for di-
18 rect loans and \$650,000,000 for guaranteed loans.

19 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees and
20 grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined
21 in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,
22 for rural community facilities programs as authorized by
23 section 306 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the
24 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act,
25 \$493,230,000, to remain available until expended, of

1 which up to \$461,155,000 shall be for fiscal years 2025
2 and 2026, for purposes, and in the amounts, specified for
3 this account in the table titled “Community Project Fund-
4 ing” in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That
5 \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
6 ing shall be available for a Rural Community Development
7 Initiative: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be used
8 solely to develop the capacity and ability of private, non-
9 profit community-based housing and community develop-
10 ment organizations, low-income rural communities, and
11 Federally Recognized Native American Tribes to under-
12 take projects to improve housing, community facilities,
13 community and economic development projects in rural
14 areas: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be made
15 available to qualified private, nonprofit and public inter-
16 mediary organizations proposing to carry out a program
17 of financial and technical assistance: *Provided further*,
18 That such intermediary organizations shall provide match-
19 ing funds from other sources, including Federal funds for
20 related activities, in an amount not less than funds pro-
21 vided: *Provided further*, That any unobligated balances
22 from prior year appropriations under this heading for the
23 cost of direct loans, loan guarantees and grants, including
24 amounts deobligated or cancelled, may be made available
25 to cover the subsidy costs for direct loans and or loan

1 guarantees under this heading in this fiscal year: *Provided*
2 *further*, That no amounts may be made available pursuant
3 to the preceding proviso from amounts that were des-
4 ignated by the Congress as an emergency requirement
5 pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the
6 Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of
7 1985, or that were specified in the tables titled “Commu-
8 nity Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending”
9 in the explanatory statements for division A of Public Law
10 117–103 and division A of Public Law 117–328 as de-
11 scribed in section 4 in the matter preceding each such divi-
12 sion A: *Provided further*, That \$6,000,000 of the amount
13 appropriated under this heading shall be available for com-
14 munity facilities grants to tribal colleges, as authorized by
15 section 306(a)(19) of such Act: *Provided further*, That sec-
16 tions 381E–H and 381N of the Consolidated Farm and
17 Rural Development Act are not applicable to the funds
18 made available under this heading: *Provided further*, That
19 in addition to any other available funds, the Secretary may
20 expend not more than \$1,000,000 total, from the program
21 funds made available under this heading, for administra-
22 tive expenses for activities funded under this heading.

1 RURAL BUSINESS—COOPERATIVE SERVICE

2 RURAL BUSINESS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

3 For gross obligations for the principal amount of
4 guaranteed loans as authorized by section 310B of the
5 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
6 1932(g)), \$2,200,000,000. For the cost of loan guarantees
7 and grants, for the rural business development programs
8 authorized by section 310B and described in subsections
9 (a), (c), (f) and (g) of section 310B of the Consolidated
10 Farm and Rural Development Act, \$26,400,000, to re-
11 main available until expended: *Provided*, That of the
12 amount appropriated under this heading, \$4,000,000 shall
13 be for grants to the Delta Regional Authority (7 U.S.C.
14 2009aa et seq.), the Northern Border Regional Commis-
15 sion (40 U.S.C. 15101 et seq.), the Southwest Border Re-
16 gional Commission (40 U.S.C. 15301 et seq.), and the Ap-
17 palachian Regional Commission (40 U.S.C. 14101 et seq.)
18 for any Rural Community Advancement Program purpose
19 as described in section 381E(d) of the Consolidated Farm
20 and Rural Development Act, of which not more than 5
21 percent may be used for administrative expenses: *Provided*
22 *further*, That \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated
23 under this heading shall be for business grants to benefit
24 Federally Recognized Native American Tribes, including
25 \$250,000 for a grant to a qualified national organization

1 to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in
2 order to promote economic development: *Provided further*,
3 That sections 381E–H and 381N of the Consolidated
4 Farm and Rural Development Act are not applicable to
5 funds made available under this heading.

6 INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM FUND ACCOUNT
7 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

8 For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-
9 ized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Ac-
10 count (7 U.S.C. 1936b), \$9,000,000.

11 For the cost of direct loans, \$3,065,000, as author-
12 ized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Ac-
13 count (7 U.S.C. 1936b), of which \$573,000 shall be avail-
14 able through June 30, 2025, for Federally Recognized Na-
15 tive American Tribes; and of which \$1,147,000 shall be
16 available through June 30, 2025, for Mississippi Delta Re-
17 gion counties (as determined in accordance with Public
18 Law 100–460): *Provided*, That such costs, including the
19 cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section
20 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

21 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
22 the direct loan programs, \$4,468,000 shall be paid to the
23 appropriation for “Rural Development, Salaries and Ex-
24 penses”.

1 RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM

2 ACCOUNT

3 For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-
4 ized under section 313B(a) of the Rural Electrification
5 Act, for the purpose of promoting rural economic develop-
6 ment and job creation projects, \$75,000,000.

7 The cost of grants authorized under section 313B(a)
8 of the Rural Electrification Act, for the purpose of pro-
9 moting rural economic development and job creation
10 projects shall not exceed \$10,000,000.

11 RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

For rural cooperative development grants authorized under section 310B(e) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932), \$16,600,000, of which \$2,800,000 shall be for cooperative agreements for the appropriate technology transfer for rural areas program: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$3,000,000 shall be for grants for cooperative development centers, individual cooperatives, or groups of cooperatives that serve socially disadvantaged groups and a majority of the boards of directors or governing boards of which are comprised of individuals who are members of socially disadvantaged groups; and of which \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for value-added agricultural product market development grants, as authorized by section 210A

1 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, of which
2 \$1,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be
3 for Agriculture Innovation Centers authorized pursuant to
4 section 6402 of Public Law 107–171.

5 RURAL MICROENTREPRENEUR ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

6 For the principal amount of direct loans as author-
7 ized by section 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
8 Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2008s), \$20,000,000.

9 For the cost of loans and grants, \$5,000,000 under
10 the same terms and conditions as authorized by section
11 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development
12 Act (7 U.S.C. 2008s).

13 RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM

14 For the principal amount of loan guarantees, under
15 the same terms and conditions as authorized by section
16 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of
17 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107), \$100,000,000.

18 RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE

19 RURAL WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM ACCOUNT
20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
22 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306
23 and described in section 381E(d)(2) of the Consolidated
24 Farm and Rural Development Act, as follows:

1 \$860,000,000 for direct loans; and \$50,000,000 for guar-
2 anteed loans.

3 For the direct cost of direct loans, loan guarantees
4 and grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as de-
5 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of
6 1974, for rural water, waste water, waste disposal, and
7 solid waste management programs authorized by sections
8 306, 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B and described
9 in sections 306C(a)(2), 306D, 306E, and 381E(d)(2) of
10 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act,
11 \$496,716,000, to remain available until expended, of
12 which up to \$96,975,000 shall be for the purposes, and
13 in the amounts, specified for this account in the table ti-
14 tled “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-
15 panying this Act, of which not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall
16 be available for the rural utilities program described in
17 section 306(a)(2)(B) of such Act: *Provided*, That not to
18 exceed \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this
19 heading shall be available for the rural utilities program
20 described in section 306E of such Act: *Provided further*,
21 That not to exceed \$10,000,000 of the amount appro-
22 priated under this heading shall be for grants authorized
23 by section 306A(i)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
24 Development Act in addition to funding authorized by sec-
25 tion 306A(i)(1) of such Act: *Provided further*, That

1 \$20,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
2 ing shall be for loans and grants including water and
3 waste disposal systems grants authorized by section
4 306C(a)(2)(B) and section 306D of the Consolidated
5 Farm and Rural Development Act, and Federally Recog-
6 nized Native American Tribes authorized by 306C(a)(1)
7 of such Act, and the Department of Hawaiian Home
8 Lands (of the State of Hawaii): *Provided further*, That
9 funding provided for section 306D of the Consolidated
10 Farm and Rural Development Act may be provided to a
11 consortium formed pursuant to section 325 of Public Law
12 105–83: *Provided further*, That not more than 2 percent
13 of the funding provided for section 306D of the Consoli-
14 dated Farm and Rural Development Act may be used by
15 the State of Alaska for training and technical assistance
16 programs and not more than 2 percent of the funding pro-
17 vided for section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and
18 Rural Development Act may be used by a consortium
19 formed pursuant to section 325 of Public Law 105–83 for
20 training and technical assistance programs: *Provided fur-*
21 *ther*, That \$30,000,000 of the amount appropriated under
22 this heading shall be for technical assistance grants for
23 rural water and waste systems pursuant to section
24 306(a)(14) of such Act, unless the Secretary makes a de-
25 termination of extreme need, of which \$8,500,000 shall

1 be made available for a grant to a qualified nonprofit
2 multi-State regional technical assistance organization,
3 with experience in working with small communities on
4 water and waste water problems, the principal purpose of
5 such grant shall be to assist rural communities with popu-
6 lations of 3,300 or less, in improving the planning, financ-
7 ing, development, operation, and management of water
8 and waste water systems, and of which not less than
9 \$800,000 shall be for a qualified national Native American
10 organization to provide technical assistance for rural water
11 systems for tribal communities: *Provided further*, That not
12 to exceed \$21,817,000 of the amount appropriated under
13 this heading shall be for contracting with qualified na-
14 tional organizations for a circuit rider program to provide
15 technical assistance for rural water systems: *Provided fur-*
16 *ther*, That not to exceed \$4,000,000 of the amounts made
17 available under this heading shall be for solid waste man-
18 agement grants: *Provided further*, That not to exceed
19 \$3,130,000 of the amounts appropriated under this head-
20 ing shall be available as the Secretary deems appropriate
21 for water and waste direct one percent loans for distressed
22 communities: *Provided further*, That if the Secretary de-
23 termines that any portion of the amount made available
24 for one percent loans is not needed for such loans, the
25 Secretary may use such amounts for grants authorized by

1 section 306(a)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural De-
2 velopment Act: *Provided further*, That if any funds made
3 available for the direct loan subsidy costs remain unobli-
4 gated after July 31, 2025, such unobligated balances may
5 be used for grant programs funded under this heading.

6 RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

7 LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 The principal amount of loans and loan guarantees
10 as authorized by sections 4, 305, 306, 313A, and 317 of
11 the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 904, 935,
12 936, 940c-1, and 940g) shall be made as follows: guaran-
13 teed rural electric loans made pursuant to section 306 of
14 that Act, \$2,167,000,000; cost of money direct loans made
15 pursuant to sections 4, notwithstanding the one-eighth of
16 one percent in 4(c)(2), and 317, notwithstanding 317(c),
17 of that Act, \$4,333,000,000; guaranteed underwriting
18 loans pursuant to section 313A of that Act, \$900,000,000;
19 and for cost-of-money rural telecommunications loans
20 made pursuant to section 305(d)(2) of that Act, and for
21 loans made pursuant to Section 306 of that Act,
22 \$690,000,000.

23 For the cost of direct loans as authorized by section
24 305(d)(2) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7
25 U.S.C. 935(d)(2)), including the cost of modifying loans,

1 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act
2 of 1974, cost of money rural telecommunications loans,
3 \$3,830,000.

4 In addition, \$5,040,000 to remain available until ex-
5 pended, to carry out section 6407 of the Farm Security
6 and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107a): *Pro-*
7 *vided*, That the energy efficiency measures supported by
8 the funding in this paragraph shall contribute in a demon-
9 strable way to the reduction of greenhouse gases.

10 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
11 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
12 \$33,270,000, which shall be paid to the appropriation for
13 “Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses”.

14 DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND
15 PROGRAM

16 For grants for telemedicine and distance learning
17 services in rural areas, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa
18 et seq., \$35,469,000, to remain available until expended,
19 of which up to \$10,469,000 shall be for the purposes, and
20 in the amounts, specified for this account in the table ti-
21 tled “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-
22 panying this Act: *Provided*, That \$3,000,000 shall be
23 made available for grants authorized by section 379G of
24 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: *Pro-*
25 *vided further*, That funding provided under this heading

1 for grants under section 379G of the Consolidated Farm
2 and Rural Development Act may only be provided to enti-
3 ties that meet all of the eligibility criteria for a consortium
4 as established by this section.

5 For the cost to continue a broadband loan and grant
6 pilot program established by section 779 of division A of
7 the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law
8 115–141) under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as
9 amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), \$105,842,000, to remain
10 available until expended, of which up to \$5,842,000 shall
11 be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this
12 account in the table titled “Community Project Funding”
13 in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That the
14 Secretary may award grants described in section 601(a)
15 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7
16 U.S.C. 950bb(a)) for the purposes of carrying out such
17 pilot program: *Provided further*, That the cost of direct
18 loans shall be defined in section 502 of the Congressional
19 Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That at least 90
20 percent of the households to be served by a project receiv-
21 ing a loan or grant under the pilot program shall be in
22 a rural area without sufficient access to broadband: *Pro-*
23 *vided further*, That for purposes of such pilot program,
24 a rural area without sufficient access to broadband shall
25 be defined as twenty-five megabits per second downstream

1 and three megabits per second upstream: *Provided further,*
2 That to the extent possible, projects receiving funds pro-
3 vided under the pilot program must build out service to
4 at least one hundred megabits per second downstream,
5 and twenty megabits per second upstream: *Provided fur-*
6 *ther,* That an entity to which a loan or grant is made
7 under the pilot program shall not use the loan or grant
8 to overbuild or duplicate broadband service in a service
9 area by any entity that has received a broadband loan
10 from the Rural Utilities Service unless such service is not
11 provided sufficient access to broadband at the minimum
12 service threshold: *Provided further,* That not more than
13 four percent of the funds made available in this paragraph
14 can be used for administrative costs to carry out the pilot
15 program and up to three percent of funds made available
16 in this paragraph may be available for technical assistance
17 and pre-development planning activities to support the
18 most rural communities: *Provided further,* That the Rural
19 Utilities Service is directed to expedite program delivery
20 methods that would implement this paragraph: *Provided*
21 *further,* That for purposes of this paragraph, the Secretary
22 shall adhere to the notice, reporting and service area as-
23 sessment requirements set forth in section 701 of the
24 Rural Electrification Act (7 U.S.C. 950cc).

1 In addition, \$20,000,000, to remain available until
2 expended, for the Community Connect Grant Program au-
3 thorized by 7 U.S.C. 950bb–3.

1 TITLE IV

2 DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS

3 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD,
4 NUTRITION, AND CONSUMER SERVICES

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
6 Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services,
7 \$800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this
8 Act to an agency in the Food, Nutrition and Consumer
9 Services mission area for salaries and expenses are avail-
10 able to fund up to one administrative support staff for
11 the Office.

12 FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

13 CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 For necessary expenses to carry out the Richard B.
16 Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et
17 seq.), except section 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of
18 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), except sections 17 and
19 21; \$31,749,468,000, to remain available through Sep-
20 tember 30, 2026, of which such sums as are made avail-
21 able under section 14222(b)(1) of the Food, Conservation,
22 and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246), as
23 amended by this Act, shall be merged with and available
24 for the same time period and purposes as provided herein:
25 *Provided*, That of the total amount available, \$18,004,000

1 shall be available to carry out section 19 of the Child Nu-
2 trition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.): *Provided*
3 *further*, That of the total amount available, \$21,005,000
4 shall be available to carry out studies and evaluations and
5 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*,
6 That of the total amount available, \$3,000,000 shall re-
7 main available until expended to carry out section 18(g)
8 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42
9 U.S.C. 1769(g)): *Provided further*, That notwithstanding
10 section 18(g)(3)(C) of the Richard B. Russell National
11 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769(g)(3)(c)), the total
12 grant amount provided to a farm to school grant recipient
13 in fiscal year 2025 shall not exceed \$500,000: *Provided*
14 *further*, That of the total amount available, \$10,000,000
15 shall be available to provide competitive grants to State
16 agencies for subgrants to local educational agencies and
17 schools to purchase the equipment, with a value of greater
18 than \$1,000, needed to serve healthier meals, improve food
19 safety, and to help support the establishment, mainte-
20 nance, or expansion of the school breakfast program: *Pro-*
21 *vided further*, That of the total amount available,
22 \$4,196,000 shall be available for food safety education in-
23 cluding activities that support sections 17 and 21 of the
24 Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786, 1790) and
25 to support the safe distribution of USDA Foods, as de-

1 fined in 7 CFR 250.2: *Provided further*, That section
2 26(d) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch
3 Act (42 U.S.C. 1769g(d)) is amended in the first sentence
4 by striking “2010 through 2025” and inserting “2010
5 through 2026”: *Provided further*, That section 9(h)(3) of
6 the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42
7 U.S.C. 1758(h)(3)) is amended in the first sentence by
8 striking “For fiscal year 2024” and inserting “For fiscal
9 year 2025”: *Provided further*, That section 9(h)(4) of the
10 Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.
11 1758(h)(4)) is amended in the first sentence by striking
12 “For fiscal year 2024” and inserting “For fiscal year
13 2025”.

14 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR
15 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

16 For necessary expenses to carry out the special sup-
17 plemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17
18 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),
19 \$7,235,000,000, to remain available through September
20 30, 2026: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section
21 17(h)(10) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.
22 1786(h)(10)), not less than \$90,000,000 shall be used for
23 breastfeeding peer counselors and other related activities:
24 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall use funds made
25 available under this heading to increase the amount of a

1 cash-value voucher for women and children participants
2 to an amount recommended by the National Academies
3 of Science, Engineering and Medicine and adjusted for in-
4 flation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided
5 in this account shall be available for the purchase of infant
6 formula except in accordance with the cost containment
7 and competitive bidding requirements specified in section
8 17 of such Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
9 require State agencies to authorize fresh, frozen, canned,
10 and dried fruit and vegetables for Food Packages III, IV,
11 V, VI, VII, and VIII under the special supplemental nutri-
12 tion program for women, infants, and children established
13 under section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42
14 U.S.C. 1786): *Provided further*, That none of the funds
15 provided shall be available for activities that are not fully
16 reimbursed by other Federal Government departments or
17 agencies unless authorized by section 17 of such Act: *Pro-
18 vided further*, That upon termination of a federally man-
19 dated vendor moratorium and subject to terms and condi-
20 tions established by the Secretary, the Secretary may
21 waive the requirement at 7 CFR 246.12(g)(6) at the re-
22 quest of a State agency.

23 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

24 For necessary expenses to carry out the Food and
25 Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.),

1 \$123,160,159,000, of which \$3,000,000,000, to remain
2 available through September 30, 2027, shall be placed in
3 reserve for use only in such amounts and at such times
4 as may become necessary to carry out program operations:
5 *Provided*, That funds provided herein shall be expended
6 in accordance with section 16 of the Food and Nutrition
7 Act of 2008: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
8 available under this heading, \$998,000 may be used to
9 provide nutrition education services to State agencies and
10 Federally Recognized Tribes participating in the Food
11 Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: *Provided*
12 *further*, That of the funds made available under this head-
13 ing, \$4,000,000, to remain available until September 30,
14 2026, shall be used to carry out section 4003(b) of Public
15 Law 115–334 relating to demonstration projects for tribal
16 organizations: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
17 available under this heading, \$3,000,000 shall be used to
18 carry out section 4208 of Public Law 115–334: *Provided*
19 *further*, That this appropriation shall be subject to any
20 work registration or workfare requirements as may be re-
21 quired by law: *Provided further*, That funds made available
22 for Employment and Training under this heading shall re-
23 main available through September 30, 2026: *Provided fur-*
24 *ther*, That funds made available under this heading for
25 section 28(d)(1), section 4(b), and section 27(a) of the

1 Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 shall remain available
2 through September 30, 2026: *Provided further*, That none
3 of the funds made available under this heading may be
4 obligated or expended in contravention of section 213A of
5 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1183A):
6 *Provided further*, That funds made available under this
7 heading may be used to enter into contracts and employ
8 staff to conduct studies, evaluations, or to conduct activi-
9 ties related to program integrity provided that such activi-
10 ties are authorized by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008.

11 COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

12 For necessary expenses to carry out disaster assist-
13 ance and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program as
14 authorized by section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Con-
15 sumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c note); the
16 Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983; special assist-
17 ance for the nuclear affected islands, as authorized by sec-
18 tion 103(f)(2) of the Compact of Free Association Amend-
19 ments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108–188); and the Farm-
20 ers’ Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by section
21 17(m) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, \$502,044,000,
22 to remain available through September 30, 2026: *Pro-*
23 *vided*, That none of these funds shall be available to reim-
24 burse the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities
25 donated to the program: *Provided further*, That notwith-

1 standing any other provision of law, effective with funds
2 made available in fiscal year 2025 to support the Seniors
3 Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by
4 section 4402 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment
5 Act of 2002, such funds shall remain available through
6 September 30, 2026: *Provided further*, That of the funds
7 made available under section 27(a) of the Food and Nutri-
8 tion Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)), the Secretary may
9 use up to 20 percent for costs associated with the distribu-
10 tion of commodities.

11 NUTRITION PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

12 For necessary administrative expenses of the Food
13 and Nutrition Service for carrying out any domestic nutri-
14 tion assistance program, \$140,348,000: *Provided*, That of
15 the funds provided herein, \$2,000,000 shall be used for
16 the purposes of section 4404 of Public Law 107–171, as
17 amended by section 4401 of Public Law 110–246.

1 TITLE V
2 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED
3 PROGRAMS

4 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND
5 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
7 Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs,
8 \$875,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this
9 Act to any agency in the Trade and Foreign Agricultural
10 Affairs mission area for salaries and expenses are avail-
11 able to fund up to one administrative support staff for
12 the Office.

13 OFFICE OF CODEX ALIMENTARIUS

14 For necessary expenses of the Office of Codex
15 Alimentarius, \$4,922,000, including not to exceed
16 \$40,000 for official reception and representation expenses.

17 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

18 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

19 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

20 For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural
21 Service, including not to exceed \$250,000 for representa-
22 tion allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of
23 the Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),
24 \$222,330,000, of which no more than 6 percent shall re-
25 main available until September 30, 2026, for overseas op-

1 erations to include the payment of locally employed staff:
2 *Provided*, That the Service may utilize advances of funds,
3 or reimburse this appropriation for expenditures made on
4 behalf of Federal agencies, public and private organiza-
5 tions and institutions under agreements executed pursu-
6 ant to the agricultural food production assistance pro-
7 grams (7 U.S.C. 1737) and the foreign assistance pro-
8 grams of the United States Agency for International De-
9 velopment: *Provided further*, That funds made available
10 for middle-income country training programs, funds made
11 available for the Borlaug International Agricultural
12 Science and Technology Fellowship program, and up to
13 \$2,000,000 of the Foreign Agricultural Service appropria-
14 tion solely for the purpose of offsetting fluctuations in
15 international currency exchange rates, subject to docu-
16 mentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service, shall re-
17 main available until expended.

18 FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE II GRANTS

19 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not oth-
20 erwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, in-
21 cluding interest thereon, under the Food for Peace Act
22 (Public Law 83-480), for commodities supplied in connec-
23 tion with dispositions abroad under title II of said Act,
24 \$1,000,000,000, to remain available until expended.

1 MCGOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR EDUCATION
2 AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM GRANTS

3 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
4 of section 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
5 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 1736o–1), \$240,000,000, to
6 remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Com-
7 modity Credit Corporation is authorized to provide the
8 services, facilities, and authorities for the purpose of im-
9 plementing such section, subject to reimbursement from
10 amounts provided herein: *Provided further*, That of the
11 amount made available under this heading, not more than
12 10 percent, but not less than \$24,000,000, shall remain
13 available until expended to purchase agricultural commod-
14 ities as described in subsection 3107(a)(2) of the Farm
15 Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C.
16 1736o–1(a)(2)).

17 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT (LOANS)

18 CREDIT GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

19 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

20 For administrative expenses to carry out the Com-
21 modity Credit Corporation's Export Guarantee Program,
22 GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$6,063,000, to cover common
23 overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Com-
24 modity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity
25 with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, which shall

1 be paid to the appropriation for “Foreign Agricultural
2 Service, Salaries and Expenses”.

1 TITLE VI
2 RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG
3 ADMINISTRATION
4 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
5 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
6 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
7 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
8 For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Ad-
9 ministration, including hire and purchase of passenger
10 motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related
11 costs pursuant to Public Law 92–313 for programs and
12 activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are
13 included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space
14 in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; in addition to
15 amounts appropriated to the FDA Innovation Account, for
16 carrying out the activities described in section 1002(b)(4)
17 of the 21st Century Cures Act (Public Law 114–255); for
18 miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement ac-
19 tivities, authorized and approved by the Secretary and to
20 be accounted for solely on the Secretary’s certificate, not
21 to exceed \$25,000; and notwithstanding section 521 of
22 Public Law 107–188; \$6,749,535,000: *Provided*, That of
23 the amount provided under this heading, \$1,450,545,000
24 shall be derived from prescription drug user fees author-
25 ized by 21 U.S.C. 379h, and shall be credited to this ac-

1 count and remain available until expended; \$369,627,000
2 shall be derived from medical device user fees authorized
3 by 21 U.S.C. 379j, and shall be credited to this account
4 and remain available until expended; \$625,812,000 shall
5 be derived from human generic drug user fees authorized
6 by 21 U.S.C. 379j–42, and shall be credited to this ac-
7 count and remain available until expended; \$31,731,000
8 shall be derived from biosimilar biological product user
9 fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–52, and shall be cred-
10 ited to this account and remain available until expended;
11 \$34,170,000 shall be derived from animal drug user fees
12 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–12, and shall be credited
13 to this account and remain available until expended;
14 \$25,500,000 shall be derived from generic new animal
15 drug user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–21, and shall
16 be credited to this account and remain available until ex-
17 pended; \$712,000,000 shall be derived from tobacco prod-
18 uct user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 387s, and shall be
19 credited to this account and remain available until ex-
20 pended: *Provided further*, That in addition to and notwith-
21 standing any other provision under this heading, amounts
22 collected for prescription drug user fees, medical device
23 user fees, human generic drug user fees, biosimilar biologi-
24 cal product user fees, animal drug user fees, and generic
25 new animal drug user fees that exceed the respective fiscal

1 year 2025 limitations are appropriated and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That fees derived from prescription drug, medical device, human generic drug, biosimilar biological product, animal drug, and generic new animal drug assessments for fiscal year 2025, including any such fees collected prior to fiscal year 2025 but credited for fiscal year 2025, shall be subject to the fiscal year 2025 limitations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may accept payment during fiscal year 2025 of user fees specified under this heading and authorized for fiscal year 2026, prior to the due date for such fees, and that amounts of such fees assessed for fiscal year 2026 for which the Secretary accepts payment in fiscal year 2025 shall not be included in amounts under this heading: *Provided further*, That none of these funds shall be used to develop, establish, or operate any program of user fees authorized by 31 U.S.C. 9701: *Provided further*, That of the total amount appropriated: (1) \$1,185,989,000 shall be for the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition and related field activities in the Office of Inspections and Investigations, of which no less than \$15,000,000 shall be used for inspections of foreign seafood manufacturers and field examinations of imported seafood; (2) \$2,367,705,000 shall be for the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and

1 related field activities in the Office Inspection and Inves-
2 tigation, of which no less than \$10,000,000 shall be for
3 pilots to increase unannounced foreign inspections and
4 shall remain available until expended; (3) \$576,826,000
5 shall be for the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Re-
6 search and for related field activities in the Office of In-
7 spection and Investigations; (4) \$285,387,000 shall be for
8 the Center for Veterinary Medicine and for related field
9 activities in the Office of Inspection and Investigations;
10 (5) \$777,345,000 shall be for the Center for Devices and
11 Radiological Health and for related field activities in the
12 Office of Inspection and Investigations; (6) \$77,505,000
13 shall be for the National Center for Toxicological Re-
14 search; (7) \$684,348,000 shall be for the Center for To-
15 bacco Products and for related field activities in the Office
16 of Inspection and Investigations; (8) \$215,313,000 shall
17 be for Rent and Related activities, of which \$53,061,000
18 is for White Oak Consolidation, other than the amounts
19 paid to the General Services Administration for rent; (9)
20 \$220,610,000 shall be for payments to the General Serv-
21 ices Administration for rent; and (10) \$358,507,000 shall
22 be for other activities, including the Office of the Commis-
23 sioner of Food and Drugs, the Office of Food Policy and
24 Response, the Office of Operations, the Office of the Chief
25 Scientist, and central services for these offices: *Provided*

1 *further*, That not to exceed \$25,000 of this amount shall
2 be for official reception and representation expenses, not
3 otherwise provided for, as determined by the Commis-
4 sioner: *Provided further*, That any transfer of funds pursu-
5 ant to, and for the administration of, section 770(n) of
6 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
7 379dd(n)) shall only be from amounts made available
8 under this heading for other activities and shall not exceed
9 \$2,000,000: *Provided further*, That of the amounts that
10 are made available under this heading for “other activi-
11 ties”, and that are not derived from user fees, \$1,500,000
12 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation
13 for “Department of Health and Human Services—Office
14 of Inspector General” for oversight of the programs and
15 operations of the Food and Drug Administration and shall
16 be in addition to funds otherwise made available for over-
17 sight of the Food and Drug Administration: *Provided fur-*
18 *ther*, That funds may be transferred from one specified
19 activity to another with the prior approval of the Commit-
20 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

21 In addition, mammography user fees authorized by
22 42 U.S.C. 263b, export certification user fees authorized
23 by 21 U.S.C. 381, priority review user fees authorized by
24 21 U.S.C. 360n and 360ff, food and feed recall fees, food
25 reinspection fees, and voluntary qualified importer pro-

1 gram fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–31, outsourcing
2 facility fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–62, prescription
3 drug wholesale distributor licensing and inspection fees
4 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 353(e)(3), third-party logistics
5 provider licensing and inspection fees authorized by 21
6 U.S.C. 360eee–3(c)(1), third-party auditor fees authorized
7 by 21 U.S.C. 384d(c)(8), medical countermeasure priority
8 review voucher user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 360bbb–
9 4a, and fees relating to over-the-counter monograph drugs
10 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–72 shall be credited to this
11 account, to remain available until expended.

12 FDA INNOVATION ACCOUNT, CURES ACT

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

14 For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes de-
15 scribed under section 1002(b)(4) of the 21st Century
16 Cures Act, in addition to amounts available for such pur-
17 poses under the heading “Salaries and Expenses”,
18 \$55,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
19 *vided*, That amounts appropriated in this paragraph are
20 appropriated pursuant to section 1002(b)(3) of the 21st
21 Century Cures Act, are to be derived from amounts trans-
22 ferred under section 1002(b)(2)(A) of such Act, and may
23 be transferred by the Commissioner of Food and Drugs
24 to the appropriation for “Department of Health and
25 Human Services Food and Drug Administration Salaries

1 and Expenses” solely for the purposes provided in such
2 Act: *Provided further*, That upon a determination by the
3 Commissioner that funds transferred pursuant to the pre-
4 vious proviso are not necessary for the purposes provided,
5 such amounts may be transferred back to the account:
6 *Provided further*, That such transfer authority is in addi-
7 tion to any other transfer authority provided by law.

8 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

9 COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
12 of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), in-
13 cluding the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles,
14 and the rental of space (to include multiple year leases),
15 in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, \$345,000,000,
16 including not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception and
17 representation expenses, and not to exceed \$25,000 for the
18 expenses for consultations and meetings hosted by the
19 Commission with foreign governmental and other regu-
20 latory officials, of which not less than \$80,000,000 shall
21 remain available until September 30, 2026, and of which
22 not less than \$4,218,000 shall be for expenses of the Of-
23 fice of the Inspector General: *Provided*, That notwith-
24 standing the limitations in 31 U.S.C. 1553, amounts pro-
25 vided under this heading are available for the liquidation

1 of obligations equal to current year payments on leases
2 entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act:
3 *Provided further*, That for the purpose of recording and
4 liquidating any lease obligations that should have been re-
5 corded and liquidated against accounts closed pursuant to
6 31 U.S.C. 1552, and consistent with the preceding pro-
7 viso, such amounts shall be transferred to and recorded
8 in a no-year account in the Treasury, which has been es-
9 tablished for the sole purpose of recording adjustments for
10 and liquidating such unpaid obligations.

11 FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

12 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

13 Not to exceed \$100,430,000 (from assessments col-
14 lected from farm credit institutions, including the Federal
15 Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated
16 during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses
17 as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249: *Provided*, That this
18 limitation shall not apply to expenses associated with re-
19 ceiverships: *Provided further*, That the agency may exceed
20 this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification to the
21 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
22 gress: *Provided further*, That the purposes of section
23 3.7(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 (12 U.S.C.
24 2128(b)(2)(A)(i)), the Farm Credit Administration may
25 exempt, an amount in its sole discretion, from the applica-

1 tion of the limitation provided in that clause of export
2 loans described in the clause guaranteed or insured in a
3 manner other than described in subclause (II) of the
4 clause.

1 TITLE VII

2 GENERAL PROVISIONS

3 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS AND TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 SEC. 701. The Secretary may use any appropriations
5 made available to the Department of Agriculture in this
6 Act to purchase new passenger motor vehicles, in addition
7 to specific appropriations for this purpose, so long as the
8 total number of vehicles purchased in fiscal year 2025
9 does not exceed the number of vehicles owned or leased
10 in fiscal year 2018: *Provided*, That, prior to purchasing
11 additional motor vehicles, the Secretary must determine
12 that such vehicles are necessary for transportation safety,
13 to reduce operational costs, and for the protection of life,
14 property, and public safety: *Provided further*, That the
15 Secretary may not increase the Department of Agri-
16 culture's fleet above the 2018 level unless the Secretary
17 notifies in writing, and receives approval from, the Com-
18 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress
19 within 30 days of the notification.

20 SEC. 702. Notwithstanding any other provision of
21 this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer unobli-
22 gated balances of discretionary funds appropriated by this
23 Act or any other available unobligated discretionary bal-
24 ances that are remaining available of the Department of
25 Agriculture to the Working Capital Fund for the acquisi-

tion of property, plant and equipment and for the improvement, delivery, and implementation of Department financial, and administrative information technology services, and other support systems necessary for the delivery of financial, administrative, and information technology services, including cloud adoption and migration, of primary benefit to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture, such transferred funds to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund without the prior approval of the agency administrator: *Provided further*, That none of the funds transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to this section shall be available for obligation without written notification to and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act or made available to the Department's Working Capital Fund shall be available for obligation or expenditure to make any changes to the Department's National Finance Center without written notification to and prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress as required by section 716 of this Act: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act or made available to the Department's Working Capital

1 Fund shall be available for obligation or expenditure to
2 initiate, plan, develop, implement, or make any changes
3 to remove or relocate any systems, missions, personnel, or
4 functions of the offices of the Chief Financial Officer and
5 the Chief Information Officer, co-located with or from the
6 National Finance Center prior to written notification to
7 and prior approval of the Committee on Appropriations
8 of both Houses of Congress and in accordance with the
9 requirements of section 716 of this Act: *Provided further,*
10 That the National Finance Center Information Tech-
11 nology Services Division personnel and data center man-
12 agement responsibilities, and control of any functions,
13 missions, and systems for current and future human re-
14 sources management and integrated personnel and payroll
15 systems (PPS) and functions provided by the Chief Finan-
16 cial Officer and the Chief Information Officer shall remain
17 in the National Finance Center and under the manage-
18 ment responsibility and administrative control of the Na-
19 tional Finance Center: *Provided further,* That the Sec-
20 retary of Agriculture and the offices of the Chief Financial
21 Officer shall actively market to existing and new Depart-
22 ments and other government agencies National Finance
23 Center shared services including, but not limited to, pay-
24 roll, financial management, and human capital shared
25 services and allow the National Finance Center to perform

1 technology upgrades: *Provided further*, That of annual in-
2 come amounts in the Working Capital Fund of the De-
3 partment of Agriculture allocated for the National Fi-
4 nance Center, the Secretary shall reserve not more than
5 4 percent for the replacement or acquisition of capital
6 equipment, including equipment for the improvement, de-
7 livery, and implementation of financial, administrative,
8 and information technology services, and other systems of
9 the National Finance Center or to pay any unforeseen,
10 extraordinary cost of the National Finance Center: *Pro-*
11 *vided further*, That none of the amounts reserved shall be
12 available for obligation unless the Secretary submits writ-
13 ten notification of the obligation to the Committees on Ap-
14 propriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided further*,
15 That the limitations on the obligation of funds pending
16 notification to Congressional Committees shall not apply
17 to any obligation that, as determined by the Secretary,
18 is necessary to respond to a declared state of emergency
19 that significantly impacts the operations of the National
20 Finance Center; or to evacuate employees of the National
21 Finance Center to a safe haven to continue operations of
22 the National Finance Center.

23 SEC. 703. No part of any appropriation contained in
24 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
25 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

1 SEC. 704. No funds appropriated by this Act may be
2 used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative
3 agreements or similar arrangements between the United
4 States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-
5 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of
6 the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative ar-
7 rangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest
8 between the two parties. This does not preclude appro-
9 priate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts
10 with such institutions when such indirect costs are com-
11 puted on a similar basis for all agencies for which appro-
12 priations are provided in this Act.

13 SEC. 705. Appropriations to the Department of Agri-
14 culture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made
15 available in the current fiscal year shall remain available
16 until expended to disburse obligations made in the current
17 fiscal year for the following accounts: the Rural Develop-
18 ment Loan Fund program account, the Rural Electrifica-
19 tion and Telecommunication Loans program account, and
20 the Rural Housing Insurance Fund program account.

21 SEC. 706. None of the funds made available to the
22 Department of Agriculture by this Act may be used to ac-
23 quire new information technology systems or significant
24 upgrades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Infor-
25 mation Officer, without the approval of the Chief Informa-

1 tion Officer and the concurrence of the Executive Informa-
2 tion Technology Investment Review Board: *Provided*, That
3 notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the
4 funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this
5 Act may be transferred to the Office of the Chief Informa-
6 tion Officer without written notification to and the prior
7 approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both
8 Houses of Congress: *Provided further*, That notwith-
9 standing section 11319 of title 40, United States Code,
10 none of the funds available to the Department of Agri-
11 culture for information technology shall be obligated for
12 projects, contracts, or other agreements over \$25,000
13 prior to receipt of written approval by the Chief Informa-
14 tion Officer: *Provided further*, That the Chief Information
15 Officer may authorize an agency to obligate funds without
16 written approval from the Chief Information Officer for
17 projects, contracts, or other agreements up to \$250,000
18 based upon the performance of an agency measured
19 against the performance plan requirements described in
20 the explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 113–
21 235.

22 SEC. 707. Funds made available under section 524(b)
23 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1524(b)) in
24 the current fiscal year shall remain available until ex-

1 pended to disburse obligations made in the current fiscal
2 year.

3 SEC. 708. Notwithstanding any other provision of
4 law, any former Rural Utilities Service borrower that has
5 repaid or prepaid an insured, direct or guaranteed loan
6 under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, or any not-
7 for-profit utility that is eligible to receive an insured or
8 direct loan under such Act, shall be eligible for assistance
9 under section 313B(a) of such Act in the same manner
10 as a borrower under such Act.

11 SEC. 709. Except as otherwise specifically provided
12 by law, not more than \$20,000,000 in unobligated bal-
13 ances from appropriations made available for salaries and
14 expenses in this Act for the Farm Service Agency shall
15 remain available through September 30, 2026, for infor-
16 mation technology expenses.

17 SEC. 710. None of the funds appropriated or other-
18 wise made available by this Act may be used for first-class
19 travel by the employees of agencies funded by this Act in
20 contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124
21 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

22 SEC. 711. In the case of each program established
23 or amended by the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law
24 113–79) or by a successor to that Act, other than by title
25 I or subtitle A of title III of such Act, or programs for

1 which indefinite amounts were provided in that Act, that
2 is authorized or required to be carried out using funds
3 of the Commodity Credit Corporation—

4 (1) such funds shall be available for salaries
5 and related administrative expenses, including tech-
6 nical assistance, associated with the implementation
7 of the program, without regard to the limitation on
8 the total amount of allotments and fund transfers
9 contained in section 11 of the Commodity Credit
10 Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714i); and

11 (2) the use of such funds for such purpose shall
12 not be considered to be a fund transfer or allotment
13 for purposes of applying the limitation on the total
14 amount of allotments and fund transfers contained
15 in such section.

16 SEC. 712. Of the funds made available by this Act,
17 not more than \$2,900,000 shall be used to cover necessary
18 expenses of activities related to all advisory committees,
19 panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department
20 of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with nego-
21 tiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competi-
22 tively awarded grants.

23 SEC. 713. (a) None of the funds made available in
24 this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer

1 network unless such network blocks the viewing,
2 downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

3 (b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of
4 funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law
5 enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out crimi-
6 nal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

7 SEC. 714. Notwithstanding subsection (b) of section
8 14222 of Public Law 110–246 (7 U.S.C. 612c–6; in this
9 section referred to as “section 14222”), none of the funds
10 appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any
11 other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses
12 of personnel to carry out a program under section 32 of
13 the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c; in this section
14 referred to as “section 32”) in excess of \$1,427,930,000
15 (exclusive of carryover appropriations from prior fiscal
16 years), as follows: Child Nutrition Programs Entitlement
17 Commodities—\$485,000,000; State Option Contracts—
18 \$5,000,000; Removal of Defective Commodities—
19 \$1,660,000; Administration of section 32 Commodity Pur-
20 chases—\$37,178,000: *Provided*, That none of the funds
21 made available in this Act or any other Act shall be used
22 for salaries and expenses to carry out in this fiscal year
23 section 19(i)(1)(E) of the Richard B. Russell National
24 School Lunch Act, as amended, except in an amount that
25 excludes the transfer of \$195,000,000 of the funds to be

1 transferred under subsection (c) of section 14222 of Pub-
2 lic Law 110–246, until October 1, 2025: *Provided further*,
3 That \$195,000,000 made available on October 1, 2025,
4 to carry out section 19(i)(1)(E) of the Richard B. Russell
5 National School Lunch Act, as amended, shall be excluded
6 from the limitation described in subsection (b)(2)(A)(x) of
7 section 14222 of Public Law 110–246 for fiscal year
8 2026: *Provided further*, That of the total funds made avail-
9 able in the matter preceding this proviso that remain un-
10 obligated on October 1, 2025, such unobligated balances
11 shall carryover into fiscal year 2026 and shall remain
12 available until expended for any of the purposes of section
13 32, except that any such carryover funds used in accord-
14 ance with clause (3) of section 32 may not exceed
15 \$350,000,000 and may not be obligated until the Sec-
16 retary of Agriculture provides written notification of the
17 expenditures to the Committees on Appropriations of both
18 Houses of Congress at least two weeks in advance: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That, with the exception of any available
20 carryover funds authorized in any prior appropriations Act
21 to be used for the purposes of clause (3) of section 32,
22 none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made avail-
23 able by this or any other Act shall be used to pay the
24 salaries or expenses of any employee of the Department
25 of Agriculture to carry out clause (3) of section 32.

1 SEC. 715. None of the funds appropriated by this or
2 any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and ex-
3 penses of personnel who prepare or submit appropriations
4 language as part of the President's budget submission to
5 the Congress for programs under the jurisdiction of the
6 Appropriations Subcommittees on Agriculture, Rural De-
7 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
8 Agencies that assumes revenues or reflects a reduction
9 from the previous year due to user fees proposals that
10 have not been enacted into law prior to the submission
11 of the budget unless such budget submission identifies
12 which additional spending reductions should occur in the
13 event the user fees proposals are not enacted prior to the
14 date of the convening of a committee of conference for
15 the fiscal year 2025 appropriations Act.

16 SEC. 716. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act,
17 or provided by previous appropriations Acts to the agen-
18 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation
19 or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
20 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of
21 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be
22 available for obligation or expenditure through a re-
23 programming, transfer of funds, or reimbursements as au-
24 thorized by the Economy Act, or in the case of the Depart-
25 ment of Agriculture, through use of the authority provided

1 by section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Or-
2 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257) or section 8 of Public
3 Law 89–106 (7 U.S.C. 2263), that—

4 (1) creates new programs;

5 (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;

6 (3) increases funds or personnel by any means
7 for any project or activity for which funds have been
8 denied or restricted;

9 (4) relocates an office or employees;

10 (5) reorganizes offices, programs, or activities;

11 or

12 (6) contracts out or privatizes any functions or
13 activities presently performed by Federal employees;

14 unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of
15 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-
16modity Futures Trading Commission (as the case may be)
17 notifies in writing and receives approval from the Commit-
18tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least
19 30 days in advance of the reprogramming of such funds
20 or the use of such authority.

21 (b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-
22 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies
23 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or
24 expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
25 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of

1 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be
2 available for obligation or expenditure for activities, pro-
3 grams, or projects through a reprogramming or use of the
4 authorities referred to in subsection (a) involving funds
5 in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less,
6 that—

7 (1) augments existing programs, projects, or ac-
8 tivities;

9 (2) reduces by 10 percent funding for any exist-
10 ing program, project, or activity, or numbers of per-
11 sonnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or

12 (3) results from any general savings from a re-
13 duction in personnel which would result in a change
14 in existing programs, activities, or projects as ap-
15 proved by Congress;

16 unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of
17 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-
18 modity Futures Trading Commission (as the case may be)
19 notifies in writing and receives approval from the Commit-
20 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least
21 30 days in advance of the reprogramming or transfer of
22 such funds or the use of such authority.

23 (c) The Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of
24 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-
25 modity Futures Trading Commission shall notify in writ-

1 ing and receive approval from the Committees on Appro-
2 priations of both Houses of Congress before implementing
3 any program or activity not carried out during the pre-
4 vious fiscal year unless the program or activity is funded
5 by this Act or specifically funded by any other Act.

6 (d) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-
7 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies
8 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or
9 expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
10 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of
11 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be
12 available for—

13 (1) modifying major capital investments fund-
14 ing levels, including information technology systems,
15 that involves increasing or decreasing funds in the
16 current fiscal year for the individual investment in
17 excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent of the total cost,
18 whichever is less;

19 (2) realigning or reorganizing new, current, or
20 vacant positions or agency activities or functions to
21 establish a center, office, branch, or similar entity
22 with five or more personnel; or

23 (3) carrying out activities or functions that
24 were not described in the budget request;

1 unless the agencies funded by this Act notify, in writing,
2 the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
3 gress at least 30 days in advance of using the funds for
4 these purposes.

5 (e) As described in this section, no funds may be used
6 for any activities unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the
7 Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Chair-
8 man of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission re-
9 ceives from the Committee on Appropriations of both
10 Houses of Congress written or electronic mail confirma-
11 tion of receipt of the notification as required in this sec-
12 tion.

13 SEC. 717. Notwithstanding section 310B(g)(5) of the
14 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
15 1932(g)(5)), the Secretary may assess a one-time fee for
16 any guaranteed business and industry loan in an amount
17 that does not exceed 3 percent of the guaranteed principal
18 portion of the loan.

19 SEC. 718. None of the funds appropriated or other-
20 wise made available to the Department of Agriculture, the
21 Food and Drug Administration, the Commodity Futures
22 Trading Commission, or the Farm Credit Administration
23 shall be used to transmit or otherwise make available re-
24 ports, questions, or responses to questions that are a re-
25 sult of information requested for the appropriations hear-

1 ing process to any non-Department of Agriculture, non-
2 Department of Health and Human Services, non-Com-
3 modity Futures Trading Commission, or non-Farm Credit
4 Administration employee.

5 SEC. 719. Unless otherwise authorized by existing
6 law, none of the funds provided in this Act, may be used
7 by an executive branch agency to produce any pre-
8 packaged news story intended for broadcast or distribution
9 in the United States unless the story includes a clear noti-
10 fication within the text or audio of the prepackaged news
11 story that the prepackaged news story was prepared or
12 funded by that executive branch agency.

13 SEC. 720. No employee of the Department of Agri-
14 culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or
15 office funded by this Act or any other Act to any other
16 agency or office of the Department for more than 60 days
17 in a fiscal year unless the individual's employing agency
18 or office is fully reimbursed by the receiving agency or
19 office for the salary and expenses of the employee for the
20 period of assignment.

21 SEC. 721. Not later than 30 days after the date of
22 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, the
23 Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, the
24 Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commis-
25 sion, and the Chairman of the Farm Credit Administra-

1 tion shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of
2 both Houses of Congress a detailed spending plan by pro-
3 gram, project, and activity for all the funds made available
4 under this Act including appropriated user fees, as defined
5 in the report accompanying this Act.

6 SEC. 722. (a) Section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug,
7 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321) is amended by adding
8 at the end the following:

9 “(ss)(1) the term ‘natural cheese’ means cheese that is
10 ripened or unripened soft, semi-soft, of hard product,
11 which may be coated, that is produced—

12 “(A) by—

13 “(i) coagulating wholly or partly the protein of
14 milk, skimmed milk, partly skimmed milk, cream,
15 whey cream, or buttermilk, or any combination of
16 such ingredients, through the action of rennet or
17 other suitable coagulating agents, and by partially
18 draining the whey resulting from the coagulation,
19 while respecting the principle that cheese-making re-
20 sults in a concentration of milk protein (in par-
21 ticular, the casein portion), and that consequently,
22 the protein content of the cheese will be distinctly
23 higher than the protein level of the blend of the
24 above milk materials from which the cheese was
25 made; or

1 “(ii) processing techniques involving coagulation
2 of the protein of milk or products obtained from
3 milk to produce an end-product with similar phys-
4 ical, chemical, and organoleptic characteristics as the
5 product described in subclause (i); and

6 “(iii) including the addition of safe and suitable
7 non-milk derived ingredients of the type permitted in
8 the standards of identity described in clause (B) as
9 natural cheese; or

10 “(B) in accordance with standards of identity under
11 part 133 of title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (or any
12 successor regulations), other than the standards described
13 in subparagraph (2) or any future standards adopted by
14 the Secretary in accordance with subparagraph (2)(I).”.

15 (b) Labeling.—Section 403 of the Federal Food,
16 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 343) is amended by
17 adding at the end the following:

18 “(z) If its label or labeling includes the term ‘natural
19 cheese’ as a factual descriptor of a category of cheese un-
20 less the food meets the definition of natural cheese under
21 section 201(ss), except that nothing in this paragraph
22 shall prohibit the use of the term ‘natural’ or ‘all-natural’,
23 or a similar claim or statement with respect to a food in
24 a manner that is consistent with regulations, guidance, or
25 policy statements issued by the Secretary.”.

1 (c) National Uniformity.—Section 403A(a)(2) of the
2 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 343–
3 1(a)(2)) is amended by striking “or 403(x)” and inserting
4 “403(x), or 403(z)”.

5 SEC. 723. For the purposes of determining eligibility
6 or level of program assistance for Rural Housing Service
7 programs the Secretary shall not include incarcerated
8 prison populations.

9 SEC. 724. For loans and loan guarantees that do not
10 require budget authority and the program level has been
11 established in this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may
12 increase the program level for such loans and loan guaran-
13 tees by not more than 25 percent: *Provided*, That prior
14 to the Secretary implementing such an increase, the Sec-
15 retary notifies, in writing, the Committees on Appropria-
16 tions of both Houses of Congress at least 15 days in ad-
17 vance.

18 SEC. 725. None of the credit card refunds or rebates
19 transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to sec-
20 tion 729 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and
21 Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropria-
22 tions Act, 2002 (7 U.S.C. 2235a; Public Law 107–76)
23 shall be available for obligation without written notifica-
24 tion to, and the prior approval of, the Committees on Ap-
25 propriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided*, That

1 the refunds or rebates so transferred shall be available for
2 obligation only for the acquisition of property, plant and
3 equipment, including equipment for the improvement, de-
4 livery, and implementation of Departmental financial
5 management, information technology, and other support
6 systems necessary for the delivery of financial, administra-
7 tive, and information technology services, including cloud
8 adoption and migration, of primary benefit to the agencies
9 of the Department of Agriculture.

10 SEC. 726. None of the funds made available by this
11 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the
12 “variety” requirements of the final rule entitled “Enhanc-
13 ing Retailer Standards in the Supplemental Nutrition As-
14 sistance Program (SNAP)” published by the Department
15 of Agriculture in the Federal Register on December 15,
16 2016 (81 Fed. Reg. 90675) until the Secretary of Agri-
17 culture amends the definition of the term “variety” as de-
18 fined in section 278.1(b)(1)(ii)(C) of title 7, Code of Fed-
19 eral Regulations, and “variety” as applied in the definition
20 of the term “staple food” as defined in section 271.2 of
21 title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, to increase the num-
22 ber of items that qualify as acceptable varieties in each
23 staple food category so that the total number of such items
24 in each staple food category exceeds the number of such
25 items in each staple food category included in the final

1 rule as published on December 15, 2016: *Provided*, That
2 until the Secretary promulgates such regulatory amend-
3 ments, the Secretary shall apply the requirements regard-
4 ing acceptable varieties and breadth of stock to Supple-
5 mental Nutrition Assistance Program retailers that were
6 in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of
7 the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79).

8 SEC. 727. In carrying out subsection (h) of section
9 502 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472), the
10 Secretary of Agriculture shall have the same authority
11 with respect to loans guaranteed under such section and
12 eligible lenders for such loans as the Secretary has under
13 subsections (h) and (j) of section 538 of such Act (42
14 U.S.C. 1490p–2) with respect to loans guaranteed under
15 such section 538 and eligible lenders for such loans.

16 SEC. 728. None of the funds appropriated or other-
17 wise made available by this Act shall be available for the
18 United States Department of Agriculture to propose, fi-
19 nalize or implement any regulation that would promulgate
20 new user fees pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9701 after the date
21 of the enactment of this Act.

22 SEC. 729. None of the funds made available by this
23 or any other Act thereafter may be used to write, prepare,
24 or publish a proposed rule, final rule, or an interim final
25 rule in furtherance of, or otherwise to implement or en-

1 force the final rule entitled “Transparency in Poultry
2 Grower Contracting and Tournaments,” published by the
3 Department of Agriculture in the Federal Register on No-
4 vember 28, 2023 (88 Fed. Reg. 83210 et seq.), the final
5 rule entitled “Inclusive Competition and Market Integrity
6 Under the Packers and Stockyards Act,” published by the
7 Department of Agriculture in the Federal Register on
8 March 6, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 16092 et seq.), the advanced
9 notice of proposed rulemaking entitled “Poultry Growing
10 Tournament Systems: Fairness and Related Concerns,”
11 published by the Department of Agriculture in the Federal
12 Register on June 8, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 34814) (also
13 identified in the White House Office of Management and
14 Budget’s Fall 2023 Unified Agenda of Regulatory and De-
15 regulatory Actions as “Poultry Grower Payment Systems
16 and Capital Improvement Systems (AMS-FTPP-22-
17 0046),” RIN 0581-AE18), the rulemaking identified in
18 the White House Office of Management and Budget’s Fall
19 2023 Unified Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Ac-
20 tions as “Unfair Practices, Undue Preferences, and Harm
21 to Competition Under the Packers and Stockyards Act
22 (AMS-FTPP-21-0046),” RIN 0581-AE04, or any subse-
23 quent substantially similar rulemaking effort, except that
24 funds may be used to, and the Secretary of Agriculture
25 shall, withdraw or rescind any such proposed rules, ad-

1 vanced notices of proposed rulemaking, and any such rules
2 that may have been finalized, and discontinue and provide
3 notice of closure to affected parties of any investigations
4 or enforcement activities pending under said rules.

5 SEC. 730. Notwithstanding any provision of law that
6 regulates the calculation and payment of overtime and hol-
7 iday pay for FSIS inspectors, the Secretary may charge
8 establishments subject to the inspection requirements of
9 the Poultry Products Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 451 et
10 seq., the Federal Meat Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 601 et
11 seq, and the Egg Products Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 1031
12 et seq., for the cost of inspection services provided outside
13 of an establishment's approved inspection shifts, and for
14 inspection services provided on Federal holidays: *Provided*,
15 That any sums charged pursuant to this paragraph shall
16 be deemed as overtime pay or holiday pay under section
17 1001(d) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public
18 Law 117–2, 135 Stat. 242): *Provided further*, That sums
19 received by the Secretary under this paragraph shall, in
20 addition to other available funds, remain available until
21 expended to the Secretary without further appropriation
22 for the purpose of funding all costs associated with FSIS
23 inspections.

24 SEC. 731. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture shall—

1 (1) conduct audits in a manner that evaluates
2 the following factors in the country or region being
3 audited, as applicable—

4 (A) veterinary control and oversight;

5 (B) disease history and vaccination prac-
6 tices;

7 (C) livestock demographics and
8 traceability;

9 (D) epidemiological separation from poten-
10 tial sources of infection;

11 (E) surveillance practices;

12 (F) diagnostic laboratory capabilities; and

13 (G) emergency preparedness and response;
14 and

15 (2) promptly make publicly available the final
16 reports of any audits or reviews conducted pursuant
17 to paragraph (1).

18 (b) This section shall be applied in a manner con-
19 sistent with United States obligations under its inter-
20 national trade agreements.

21 SEC. 732. A bank referenced in 12 U.S.C. 2128 may
22 make and participate in loans and commitments and pro-
23 vide technical and other financial assistance to coopera-
24 tives and any other public or private entity (except for the
25 federal government) for the purpose of installing, main-

1 taining, expanding, improving, or operating facilities in a
2 rural area as defined in 12 U.S.C. 2128(f) for the proc-
3 essing or disposal of waste from any source, provision of
4 telecommunication services, and producing electricity from
5 any source for use or sale by the borrower.

6 SEC. 733. None of the funds made available by this
7 Act, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the
8 United States derived by the collection of fees available
9 to the agencies funded by this Act, may be used by the
10 Secretary of Health and Human Services to finalize, issue,
11 or implement any rule, regulation, notice of proposed rule-
12 making, or order setting any tobacco product standard
13 that would: 1) prohibit menthol in cigarettes or prohibit
14 characterizing flavors in all cigars and their components
15 and parts; or 2) mandate a maximum nicotine level for
16 cigarettes, until the FDA:

17 (1) updates its “Guidance for Industry on its
18 Enforcement Priorities” published in January 2020
19 and updated in April 2020, to expand its prioritized
20 enforcement to flavored disposable ENDS products
21 in addition to cartridge-based products (on pages
22 10-11 and 18) and to define “disposable ENDS
23 product” on page 9;

1 (2) Center for Tobacco Products (CTP) issues
2 a final rule requiring Foreign Manufacturer Reg-
3 istration (RIN #0910-AH59);

4 (3) FDA coordinates with Customs and Border
5 Protection (CBP) and U.S. Postal Service (USPS)
6 to prevent importation of any deemed product unless
7 the product is on a list FDA prepares and transmits
8 to CBP consisting of (a) products with MGOs, (b)
9 products that received MDOs but that have been
10 and remain stayed by the Secretary or through court
11 order, rescinded by the Secretary, or vacated by a
12 court, and (c) products with PMTAs pending review
13 since on or before September 9, 2020, and further
14 that FDA requires that no such product may be im-
15 ported without the manufacturer or importer identi-
16 fying the PMTA or STN number associated with the
17 product;

18 (4) Publicly disclose the authorized list to man-
19 ufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers, with instruc-
20 tions to cease the distribution, sale, and/or mar-
21 keting of any deemed product not on the list;

22 (5) Issue Import Alerts to help address the im-
23 portation of tobacco products that appear to be in
24 violation of applicable laws; and

1 (6) Submit a quarterly written report to the
2 Committees on Appropriations of the House and
3 Senate on the progress the Center for Tobacco Prod-
4 ucts is making in removing all non-compliant nico-
5 tine products from the market.

6 SEC. 734. (a)(1) No Federal funds made available for
7 this fiscal year for the rural water, waste water, waste dis-
8 posal, and solid waste management programs authorized
9 by sections 306, 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B of
10 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7
11 U.S.C. 1926 et seq.) shall be used for a project for the
12 construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public
13 water or wastewater system unless all of the iron and steel
14 products used in the project are produced in the United
15 States.

16 (2) In this section, the term “iron and steel products”
17 means the following products made primarily of iron or
18 steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers
19 and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges,
20 pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, rein-
21 forced precast concrete, and construction materials.

22 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or cat-
23 egory of cases in which the Secretary of Agriculture (in
24 this section referred to as the “Secretary”) or the designee
25 of the Secretary finds that—

1 (1) applying subsection (a) would be incon-
2 sistent with the public interest;

3 (2) iron and steel products are not produced in
4 the United States in sufficient and reasonably avail-
5 able quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or

6 (3) inclusion of iron and steel products pro-
7 duced in the United States will increase the cost of
8 the overall project by more than 25 percent.

9 (c) If the Secretary or the designee receives a request
10 for a waiver under this section, the Secretary or the des-
11 ignee shall make available to the public on an informal
12 basis a copy of the request and information available to
13 the Secretary or the designee concerning the request, and
14 shall allow for informal public input on the request for
15 at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the
16 request. The Secretary or the designee shall make the re-
17 quest and accompanying information available by elec-
18 tronic means, including on the official public Internet Web
19 site of the Department.

20 (d) This section shall be applied in a manner con-
21 sistent with United States obligations under international
22 agreements.

23 (e) The Secretary may retain up to 0.25 percent of
24 the funds appropriated in this Act for “Rural Utilities
25 Service—Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Ac-

1 count” for carrying out the provisions described in sub-
2 section (a)(1) for management and oversight of the re-
3 quirements of this section.

4 (f) Subsection (a) shall not apply with respect to a
5 project for which the engineering plans and specifications
6 include use of iron and steel products otherwise prohibited
7 by such subsection if the plans and specifications have re-
8 ceived required approvals from State agencies prior to the
9 date of enactment of this Act.

10 (g) For purposes of this section, the terms “United
11 States” and “State” shall include each of the several
12 States, the District of Columbia, and each Federally rec-
13 ognized Indian Tribe.

14 SEC. 735. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
15 may be used in any way, directly or indirectly, to influence
16 congressional action on any legislation or appropriation
17 matters pending before Congress, other than to commu-
18 nicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C.
19 1913.

20 SEC. 736. Of the total amounts made available by
21 this Act for direct loans and grants under the following
22 headings: “Rural Housing Service—Rural Housing Insur-
23 ance Fund Program Account”; “Rural Housing Service—
24 Mutual and Self-Help Housing Grants”; “Rural Housing
25 Service—Rural Housing Assistance Grants”; “Rural

1 Housing Service—Rural Community Facilities Program
2 Account”; “Rural Business-Cooperative Service—Rural
3 Business Program Account”; “Rural Business-Coopera-
4 tive Service—Rural Economic Development Loans Pro-
5 gram Account”; “Rural Business-Cooperative Service—
6 Rural Cooperative Development Grants”; “Rural Busi-
7 ness-Cooperative Service—Rural Microentrepreneur As-
8 sistance Program”; “Rural Utilities Service—Rural Water
9 and Waste Disposal Program Account”; “Rural Utilities
10 Service—Rural Electrification and Telecommunications
11 Loans Program Account”; and “Rural Utilities Service—
12 Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Pro-
13 gram”, to the maximum extent feasible, at least 10 per-
14 cent of the funds shall be allocated for assistance in per-
15 sistent poverty counties under this section, including, not-
16 withstanding any other provision regarding population
17 limits, any county seat of such a persistent poverty county
18 that has a population that does not exceed the authorized
19 population limit by more than 10 percent: *Provided*, That
20 for purposes of this section, the term “persistent poverty
21 counties” means any county that has had 20 percent or
22 more of its population living in poverty over the past 30
23 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial cen-
24 suses, and 2007–2011 American Community Survey 5-
25 year average, or any territory or possession of the United

1 States: *Provided further*, That with respect to specific ac-
2 tivities for which program levels have been made available
3 by this Act that are not supported by budget authority,
4 the requirements of this section shall be applied to such
5 program level.

6 SEC. 737. None of the funds made available by this
7 Act may be used to notify a sponsor or otherwise acknowl-
8 edge receipt of a submission for an exemption for inves-
9 tigational use of a drug or biological product under section
10 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21
11 U.S.C. 355(i)) or section 351(a)(3) of the Public Health
12 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(a)(3)) in research in which
13 a human embryo is intentionally created or modified to
14 include a heritable genetic modification. Any such submis-
15 sion shall be deemed to have not been received by the Sec-
16 retary, and the exemption may not go into effect.

17 SEC. 738. None of the funds made available by this
18 or any other Act may be used to enforce the final rule
19 promulgated by the Food and Drug Administration enti-
20 tled “Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing,
21 and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption”, and
22 published on November 27, 2015, and the proposed rule
23 issued by the Food and Drug Administration entitled
24 “Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and
25 Holding Produce for Human Consumption Related to Ag-

1 ricultural Water’’ (86 Fed. Reg. 69120 and 87 Fed. Reg.
2 42973), with respect to the regulation of entities that
3 grow, harvest, pack, or hold wine grapes, hops, pulse
4 crops, or almonds.

5 SEC. 739. For school years 2024–2025 and 2025–
6 2026, none of the funds made available by this Act may
7 be used to restrict or limit the substitution of any vege-
8 table subgroup for fruits under the school breakfast pro-
9 gram established under section 4 of the Child Nutrition
10 Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1773).

11 SEC. 740. None of the funds made available by this
12 Act or any other Act may be used—

13 (1) in contravention of section 7606 of the Ag-
14 ricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 5940), subtitle G
15 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, or sec-
16 tion 10114 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of
17 2018; or

18 (2) to prohibit the transportation, processing,
19 sale, or use of hemp, or seeds of such plant, that is
20 grown or cultivated in accordance with section 7606
21 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 or subtitle G of the
22 Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, within or out-
23 side the State in which the hemp is grown or cul-
24 tivated.

1 SEC. 741. The Secretary of Agriculture may waive
2 the matching funds requirement under section 412(g) of
3 the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Re-
4 form Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7632(g)).

5 SEC. 742. None of the funds made available by this
6 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce any
7 rule that would reduce the maximum monthly allowance
8 with respect to milk under section 246.10 of title 7, Code
9 of Federal Regulations (as in effect on April 1, 2023), in-
10 cluding the rule entitled “Special Supplemental Nutrition
11 Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC): Revi-
12 sions to the WIC Food Packages” published by the De-
13 partment of Agriculture in the Federal Register on April
14 18, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 28488).

15 SEC. 743. None of the funds made available by this
16 Act may be used to impose updated minimum efficiency
17 standards for new housing financed by the Department
18 of Agriculture as part of carrying out the notice entitled
19 “Final Determination: Energy Efficiency Standards for
20 New Construction of HUD and USDA Financed Hous-
21 ing” (89 Fed. Reg. 33112).

22 SEC. 744. None of the funds made available by this
23 Act may be used to carry out any program, project, or
24 activity that promotes or advances Critical Race Theory
25 or any concept associated with Critical Race Theory.

1 SEC. 745. (a) After the effective date of any final rule
2 the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) publishes in
3 connection with its proposed rule to update these require-
4 ments (87 Federal Register 59168, issued on September
5 29, 2022), manufacturers may also continue to comply
6 with the previous requirements promulgated by the FDA
7 for the implied nutrient content claim “healthy” through
8 the “compliance date” FDA provides in the final rule.

9 (b) Any food product manufactured and labeled as
10 “healthy” during the compliance period FDA provides in
11 that final rule shall not be directly or indirectly subject
12 to any state-law requirements that are not identical to ei-
13 ther (i) the Federal requirements for the implied nutrition
14 content claim “healthy” that were in effect as of the date
15 FDA issues the final rule, or (ii) the updated Federal re-
16 quirements that FDA promulgates in the final rule, as-
17 suming the updated requirements go into effect during the
18 regulatory compliance period.

19 SEC. 746. Funds made available under title II of the
20 Food for Peace Act (7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.) may only be
21 used to provide assistance to recipient nations if adequate
22 monitoring and controls, as determined by the Adminis-
23 trator, are in place to ensure that emergency food aid is
24 received by the intended beneficiaries in areas affected by

1 food shortages and not diverted for unauthorized or inap-
2 propriate purposes.

3 SEC. 747. None of the funds made available by this
4 Act may be used to procure raw or processed poultry prod-
5 ucts or seafood imported into the United States from the
6 People's Republic of China for use in the school lunch pro-
7 gram under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch
8 Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), the Child and Adult Care
9 Food Program under section 17 of such Act (42 U.S.C.
10 1766), the Summer Food Service Program for Children
11 under section 13 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1761), or the
12 school breakfast program under the Child Nutrition Act
13 of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.).

14 SEC. 748. For school year 2025–2026, only a school
15 food authority that had a negative balance in the nonprofit
16 school food service account as of June 30, 2024, shall be
17 required to establish a price for paid lunches in accordance
18 with section 12(p) of the Richard B. Russell National
19 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(p)).

20 SEC. 749. Any funds made available by this or any
21 other Act that the Secretary withholds pursuant to section
22 1668(g)(2) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and
23 Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5921(g)(2)), as amended,
24 shall be available for grants for biotechnology risk assess-
25 ment research: *Provided*, That the Secretary may transfer

1 such funds among appropriations of the Department of
2 Agriculture for purposes of making such grants.

3 SEC. 750. Notwithstanding any other provision of
4 law, no funds available to the Department of Agriculture
5 may be used to move any staff office or any agency from
6 the mission area in which it was located on August 1,
7 2018, to any other mission area or office within the De-
8 partment in the absence of the enactment of specific legis-
9 lation affirming such move.

10 SEC. 751. The Secretary, acting through the Chief
11 of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, may use
12 funds appropriated under this Act or any other Act for
13 the Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations Program
14 and the Watershed Rehabilitation Program carried out
15 pursuant to the Watershed Protection and Flood Preven-
16 tion Act (16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), and for the Emergency
17 Watershed Protection Program carried out pursuant to
18 section 403 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16
19 U.S.C. 2203) to provide technical services for such pro-
20 grams pursuant to section 1252(a)(1) of the Food Secu-
21 rity Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3851(a)(1)), notwithstanding
22 subsection (c) of such section.

23 SEC. 752. In administering the pilot program estab-
24 lished by section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Ap-
25 propriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115–141), the Sec-

1 retary of Agriculture may, for purposes of determining en-
2 tities eligible to receive assistance, consider those commu-
3 nities which are “Areas Rural in Character”: *Provided*,
4 That not more than 10 percent of the funds made avail-
5 able under the heading “Distance Learning, Telemedicine,
6 and Broadband Program” for the purposes of the pilot
7 program established by section 779 of Public Law 115–
8 141 may be used for this purpose.

9 SEC. 753. None of the funds made available by this
10 Act may be used by the Secretary of Agriculture, the Com-
11 missioner of Food and Drugs, the Chairman of the Com-
12 modity Futures Trading Commission, or the Chairman of
13 the Farm Credit Administration to fly or display a flag
14 over a facility of the Department of Agriculture, the Food
15 and Drug Administration, the Commodity Futures Trad-
16 ing Commission, or the Farm Credit Administration other
17 than the flag of the United States; the flag of a State,
18 territory, the District of Columbia; the flag of an Indian
19 Tribal Government; the official flag of a U.S. Department
20 or agency; or the Prisoners of War/Missing in Action flag.

21 SEC. 754. Of the unobligated balances from amounts
22 made available to carry out section 749(g) of the Agricul-
23 tural Appropriations Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-80),
24 \$40,000,000 are hereby rescinded: *Provided*, That no
25 amounts may be rescinded from amounts that were des-

1 ignated by the Congress as an emergency requirement
2 pursuant to a Concurrent Resolution on the Budget or the
3 Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of
4 1985.

5 SEC. 755. None of the funds appropriated or other-
6 wise made available by this or any other Act may be used
7 to implement, administer, apply, enforce, or carry out Ex-
8 ecutive Order 13985 of January 20, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg.
9 7009, relating to advancing racial equity and support for
10 underserved communities through the Federal Govern-
11 ment), or the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Equity
12 Action Plan in Support of Executive Order 13985, or any
13 Equity Action Plan created by the Food and Drug Admin-
14 istration, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or
15 the Farm Credit Administration, or Executive Order
16 14035 of June 25, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg. 34593, relating
17 to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the Fed-
18 eral workforce), or Executive Order 14091 of February
19 16, 2023 (88 Fed. Reg. 10825, relating to further advanc-
20 ing racial equity and support for underserved communities
21 through the Federal Government), or to create or establish
22 an Office of the Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer.

23 SEC. 756. None of the funds appropriated or other-
24 wise made available by this Act may be used by the Food
25 and Drug Administration (FDA) to issue or promote any

1 new guidelines or regulations applicable to food manufac-
2 turers for *Listeria monocytogenes* (Lm) until the FDA
3 considers the available new science in developing the Com-
4 pliance Policy Guide (CPG), Guidance for FDA Staff, Sec.
5 555.320 *Listeria monocytogenes*—regarding Lm in low-
6 risk foods, meaning foods that do not support the growth
7 of Lm.

8 SEC. 757. None of the funds appropriated or other-
9 wise made available by this Act may be used by the Food
10 and Drug Administration to develop, issue, promote or ad-
11 vance any final guidelines or new regulations applicable
12 to food manufacturers for long-term population-wide so-
13 dium reduction actions until an assessment is completed
14 on the impact of the short-term sodium reduction targets.

15 SEC. 758. (a) In general.—Notwithstanding section
16 7 of title 1, United States Code, section 1738C of title
17 28, United States Code, or any other provision of law,
18 none of the funds provided by this Act, or previous appro-
19 priations Acts, shall be used in whole or in part to take
20 any discriminatory action against a person, wholly or par-
21 tially, on the basis that such person speaks, or acts, in
22 accordance with a sincerely held religious belief, or moral
23 conviction, that marriage is, or should be recognized as,
24 a union of one man and one woman.

1 (b) Discriminatory action defined.—As used in sub-
2 section (a), a discriminatory action means any action
3 taken by the Federal government to—

4 (1) alter in any way the Federal tax treatment
5 of, or cause any tax, penalty, or payment to be as-
6 sessed against, or deny, delay, or revoke an exemp-
7 tion from taxation under section 501(a) of the Inter-
8 nal Revenue Code of 1986 of, any person referred to
9 in subsection (a);

10 (2) disallow a deduction for Federal tax pur-
11 poses of any charitable contribution made to or by
12 such person;

13 (3) withhold, reduce the amount or funding for,
14 exclude, terminate, or otherwise make unavailable or
15 deny, any Federal grant, contract, subcontract, co-
16 operative agreement, guarantee, loan, scholarship, li-
17 cense, certification, accreditation, employment, or
18 other similar position or status from or to such per-
19 son;

20 (4) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-
21 erwise make unavailable or deny, any entitlement or
22 benefit under a Federal benefit program, including
23 admission to, equal treatment in, or eligibility for a
24 degree from an educational program, from or to
25 such person; or

1 (5) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-
2 erwise make unavailable or deny access or an entitle-
3 ment to Federal property, facilities, educational in-
4 stitutions, speech fora (including traditional, limited,
5 and nonpublic fora), or charitable fundraising cam-
6 paigns from or to such person.

7 (c) Accreditation; Licensure; Certification.—The
8 Federal government shall consider accredited, licensed, or
9 certified for purposes of Federal law any person that
10 would be accredited, licensed, or certified, respectively, for
11 such purposes but for a determination against such person
12 wholly or partially on the basis that the person speaks,
13 or acts, in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief
14 or moral conviction described in subsection (a).

15 SEC. 759. (a) Closure of Agricultural Research Serv-
16 ice Facility.—The Secretary of Agriculture may close the
17 Agricultural Research Service Federal laboratory located
18 at 4279 East Mount Hope Road, East Lansing, Michigan
19 once operations have ceased and ongoing research mis-
20 sions are, or will be, relocated to a different facility.

21 (b) Conveyance Authority.—With respect to the Agri-
22 cultural Research Service facility to be closed pursuant to
23 subsection (a), the Secretary of Agriculture may convey,
24 with or without consideration, all right, title, and interest
25 of the United States in and to any real property, including

1 improvements and equipment thereon, of the facility, to
2 a land grant college or university (as defined in section
3 1404(13) of the National Agricultural Research, Extension,
4 and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C.
5 3103(13)) that previously owned that parcel of real prop-
6 erty.

7 SEC. 760. Section 297A of the Agricultural Mar-
8 keting Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1639o) is amended—

9 (1) by amending paragraph (1) to read as fol-
10 lows:

11 “(1) HEMP.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘hemp’
13 means the plant *Cannabis sativa* L. and any
14 part of that plant, including the seeds thereof
15 and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, iso-
16 mers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, whether
17 growing or not, with a total
18 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration (including
19 tetrahydrocannabinolic acid) of not more than
20 0.3 percent in the plant on a dry weight basis.

21 “(B) EXCLUSIONS.—Such term does not
22 include

23 “(i) any viable seeds from a *Cannabis*
24 *sativa* L. plant that exceeds a total
25 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration (in-

1 cluding tetrahydrocannabinolic acid) of 0.3
2 percent in the plant on a dry weight basis;
3 or

4 “(ii) any hemp-derived cannabinoid
5 products containing—

6 “(I) cannabinoids that are not
7 capable of being naturally produced
8 by a *Cannabis sativa* L. plant;

9 “(II) cannabinoids that—
10 “(aa) are capable of being
11 naturally produced by a *Cannabis*
12 *sativa* L. plant; and

13 “(bb) were synthesized or
14 manufactured outside the plant;
15 or

16 “(III) quantifiable amounts (as
17 determined by the Secretary in con-
18 sultation with the Secretary of Health
19 and Human Services) of—

20 “(aa) tetrahydrocannabinol
21 (including tetrahydrocannabinolic
22 acid); or

23 “(bb) any other
24 cannabinoids that have similar
25 effects (or are marketed to have

1 similar effects) on humans or
2 animals as tetrahydrocannabinol
3 (as determined by the Secretary
4 in consultation with the Sec-
5 retary of Health and Human
6 Services).”.

7 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through
8 (6) as paragraphs (3) through (7), respectively; and
9 (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) (as so
10 amended), the following:

11 “(2) HEMP-DERIVED CANNABINOID PROD-
12 UCT.—The term ‘hemp-derived cannabinoid product’
13 means any intermediate or final product derived
14 from hemp, excluding industrial hemp, that—

15 “(A) contains cannabinoids in any form;
16 and

17 “(B) is intended for human or animal use
18 through any means of application or adminis-
19 tration, such as inhalation, ingestion, or topical
20 application.”.

21 SEC. 761. If services performed by APHIS employees
22 are determined by the Administrator of the Animal and
23 Plant Health Inspection Service to be in response to an
24 animal disease outbreak, any premium pay that is funded,
25 either directly or through reimbursement, shall be exempt-

1 ed from the aggregate of basic pay and premium pay cal-
2 culated under section 5547 of title 5, United States Code,
3 and any other provision of law limiting the aggregate
4 amount of premium pay payable on a biweekly or calendar
5 year basis: *Provided*, That this section shall take effect
6 as if enacted on January 1, 2023.

7 SEC. 762. None of the funds made available by this
8 Act may be used to pay the salaries or expenses of per-
9 sonnel—

10 (1) to inspect horses under section 3 of the
11 Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 603);

12 (2) to inspect horses under section 903 of the
13 Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of
14 1996 (7 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 104–127); or

15 (3) to implement or enforce section 352.19 of
16 title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor
17 regulation).

18 SEC. 763. The National Academies of Sciences, Engi-
19 neering and Medicine (NASEM) were tasked with pro-
20 viding findings and recommendations on alcohol consump-
21 tion for the purposes of inclusion in the 2025 Dietary
22 Guidelines for Americans as required by Section 772 of
23 Division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023
24 (Public Law 117–328): *Provided*, That the Secretary of
25 Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Agri-

1 culture shall consider the findings and recommendations
2 of the NASEM report in the development of the 2025 Die-
3 tary Guidelines for Americans and further, both Secre-
4 taries shall ensure that the alcohol consumption rec-
5 ommendations in the 2025 Dietary Guidelines for Ameri-
6 cans shall be based on the preponderance of scientific and
7 medical knowledge consistent with section 5341 of title 7
8 of United States Code.

9 SEC. 764. Notwithstanding any other provision of
10 law, the acceptable market name of any engineered animal
11 approved prior to the effective date of the National Bio-
12 engineered Food Disclosure Standard (February 19,
13 2019) shall include the words “genetically engineered”
14 prior to the existing acceptable market name.

15 SEC. 765. Of the unobligated balances from prior
16 year appropriations made available for conservation activi-
17 ties under the heading “Natural Resources Conservation
18 Service—Conservation Operations”, \$50,000,000 are
19 hereby rescinded: *Provided*, That no amounts may be re-
20 scinded from amounts that were designated by the Con-
21 gress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a concur-
22 rent resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and
23 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

24 SEC. 766. The Secretary of Agriculture shall be in-
25 cluded as a member of the Committee on Foreign Invest-

1 ment in the United States (CFIUS) on a case by case
2 basis pursuant to the authorities in section 721(k)(2)(J)
3 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C.
4 4565(k)(2)(J)) with respect to each covered transaction
5 (as defined in section 721(a)(4) of the Defense Production
6 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(4))) involving agricultural
7 land, agriculture biotechnology, or the agriculture industry
8 (including agricultural transportation, agricultural stor-
9 age, and agricultural processing), as determined by the
10 CFIUS Chairperson in coordination with the Secretary of
11 Agriculture. The Secretary of Agriculture shall, to the
12 maximum extent practicable, notify the Committee on
13 Foreign Investment in the United States of any agricul-
14 tural land transaction that the Secretary of Agriculture
15 has reason to believe, based on information from or in co-
16 operation with the Intelligence Community, is a covered
17 transaction (A) that may pose a risk to the national secu-
18 rity of the United States, with particular emphasis on cov-
19 ered transactions of an interest in agricultural land by for-
20 eign governments or entities of concern, as defined in 42
21 U.S.C. 19221(a), including the People's Republic of
22 China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the
23 Russian Federation, and the Islamic Republic of Iran; and
24 (B) with respect to which a person is required to submit
25 a report to the Secretary of Agriculture under section 2(a)

1 of the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of
2 1978 (7 U.S.C. 3501(a)).

3 SEC. 767. The agencies and offices of the Depart-
4 ment of Agriculture may reimburse the Office of the Gen-
5 eral Counsel (OGC), out of the funds provided in this Act,
6 for costs incurred by OGC in providing services to such
7 agencies or offices under time-limited agreements entered
8 into with such agencies and offices: *Provided*, That such
9 transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer au-
10 thority provided by law.

11 SEC. 768. No funds appropriated by this Act may be
12 used to implement, administer, or enforce the
13 "Requirements for Additional Traceability Records for
14 Certain Foods" published on November 21, 2022 (87 Fed.
15 Reg. 70910), or any other rule promulgated in accordance
16 with section 204 of the FDA Food Safety Modernization
17 Act (21 U.S.C. 2223) until the U.S. Food and Drug Ad-
18 ministration:

19 (1) completes at least 4 pilot projects using nu-
20 merous products on the Food Traceability List, in
21 coordination with farms and with food industry
22 members operating restaurants, retail food establish-
23 ments, warehouses distributing to retail food estab-
24 lishments, farms, and restaurants, to

1 (A) measure the effectiveness of foodborne
2 illness outbreak investigations conducted with-
3 out requiring tracing to a single lot code; and

4 (B) identify and evaluate the feasibility
5 and effectiveness of low-cost food tracing tech-
6 nologies; and

7 (2) extends the compliance date for such rule to
8 at least two years after the date on which the pilot
9 projects required by section (A) are successfully
10 completed allowing FDA to retrieve the information
11 they need for an investigation/recall.

12 SEC. 769. Within 120 days of enactment of this Act,
13 the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting
14 through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, shall de-
15 velop a plan, in consultation with the Department of State
16 and the governments of Abraham Accords countries, to
17 consider the location, duties, and personnel necessary to
18 carry out the functions of an Abraham Accords Bureau
19 within the Food and Drug Administration.

20 SEC. 770. (a) Section 260 of the Agricultural Mar-
21 keting Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1636i) is amended by strik-
22 ing “2024” and inserting “2025”.

23 (b) Section 942 of the Livestock Mandatory Report-
24 ing Act of 1999 (7 U.S.C. 1635 note; Public Law 106–
25 78) is amended by striking “2024” and inserting “2025”.

1 SEC. 771. None of the funds made available by this
2 Act to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
3 may be used to process Confirmation Request or Regu-
4 latory Status Review submissions by any entity subject to
5 the ownership or control of the People's Republic of China
6 (PRC) or any other foreign country of concern as defined
7 in 42 U.S.C. 19221(a) unless that entity had previously
8 received a positive determination by the Secretary of Agri-
9 culture, until the Secretary of Agriculture reports to Con-
10 gress that the PRC abides by all agricultural bio-
11 technology commitments made under the Phase One eco-
12 nomic and trade agreement signed by the United States
13 and the PRC on January 15, 2020.

14 SEC. 772. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision
15 of law, not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
16 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall—

17 (1) amend the covered Food Packages to require the
18 inclusion of peanut-containing foods for the purposes of
19 early introduction of potentially allergenic foods; and

20 (2) ensure that all such peanut-containing foods eligi-
21 ble are safe for consumption by infants.

22 (b) The Secretary of Agriculture shall carry out sub-
23 section (a) in a manner consistent with the recommenda-
24 tions for early introduction of peanut-containing foods in-
25 cluded in the Dietary guidelines for Americans, 2020-

1 2025, published under section 301 of the National Nutri-
2 tion Monitoring and Related Research Act of 1990 (7
3 U.S.C. 5341).

4 (c) In this section, the term “covered Food Pack-
5 ages” means Food Packages I and II under section 246.10
6 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, as amended by
7 the rule entitled “Special Supplemental Nutrition Pro-
8 gram for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC): Revisions
9 to the WIC Food Packages” published by the Department
10 of Agriculture in the Federal Register on April 18, 2024
11 (89 Fed. Reg. 28488).

12 SEC. 773. Hereafter, out of the funds made available
13 to the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), the AMS
14 shall carry out regular testing of all inbound molasses at
15 northern border ports of entry, and other ports as appro-
16 priate, for the purposes of verifying and validating the
17 methodology and protocols of the inspection of such molas-
18 ses, including whether the molasses meets each statutory
19 requirement, any relevant explanatory notes, and each
20 property typical of molasses in the United States: *Pro-*
21 *vided*, Results of the testing shall be shared with Customs
22 and Border Protection for any appropriate enforcement
23 action, as necessary, and made publicly available upon re-
24 quest: *Provided further*, That within 180 days of the date
25 of enactment of this Act AMS shall fully implement this

1 section and provide a briefing on the implementation to
2 the Committees on Appropriations.

3 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

4 SEC. 774. \$0.

5 This Act may be cited as the “Agriculture, Rural De-
6 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
7 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2025”.

