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Food,
Agriculture,
Conservation,
and Trade Act
Amendments of
1991.
7 USC 1421 note.

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SEC. 101. REFERENCES.

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SEC. 102. CONSERVING USE ACRES.

(a) RICE.—Section 101B(c)(1)(E) (7 U.S.C. 1441-2(c)(1)(E)) is amended—

(1) by indenting 2 ems the left margin of clauses (i) and (ii) and redesignating such clauses as subclauses (I) and (II), respectively;

(2) by striking “(E) ALTERNATIVE CROPS.—The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(E) ALTERNATIVE CROPS.—

“(i) INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER CROPS.—The Secretary”;

(3) by indenting 2 ems the left margin of clause (i) (as amended by paragraph (2));

(4) by striking “sesame, castor beans, crambe,” and inserting “castor beans,”;

(5) by striking “rye, mung beans,” and inserting “rye, millet, mung beans,”;

(6) in subclause (I) (as redesignated by paragraph (1)), by striking “and will not affect farm income adversely”; and

(7) by adding at the end the following new clause:

“(ii) SESAME AND CRAMBE.—The Secretary shall permit, subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, all or any part of acreage otherwise required to be devoted to conservation uses as a condition of qualifying for payments under subparagraph (D) to be devoted to sesame and crambe. In implementing this clause, if the Secretary determines that sesame or crambe are considered oilseeds under section 205, the Secretary shall provide that, in order to receive payments under subparagraph (D), the producers shall agree to forgo eligibility to receive a loan under section 205 for the crop of sesame or crambe produced on the farm.”

(b) COTTON.—Section 103B(c)(1)(E) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(c)(1)(E)) is amended—

(1) by indenting 2 ems the left margin of clauses (i) and (ii) and redesignating such clauses as subclauses (I) and (II), respectively;

(2) by striking “(E) ALTERNATIVE CROPS.—The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(E) ALTERNATIVE CROPS.—

“(i) INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER CROPS.—The Secretary”;

(3) by indenting 2 ems the left margin of clause (i) (as amended by paragraph (2));

(4) by striking “sesame, castor beans, crambe,” and inserting “castor beans,”;

(5) by striking "rye, mung beans," and inserting "rye, millet, mung beans,";

(6) in subclause (I) (as redesignated by paragraph (1)), by striking "and will not affect farm income adversely"; and

(7) by adding at the end the following new clause:

"(ii) **SESAME AND CRAMBE.**—The Secretary shall permit, subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, all or any part of acreage otherwise required to be devoted to conservation uses as a condition of qualifying for payments under subparagraph (D) to be devoted to sesame and crambe. In implementing this clause, if the Secretary determines that sesame or crambe are considered oilseeds under section 205, the Secretary shall provide that, in order to receive payments under subparagraph (D), the producers shall agree to forgo eligibility to receive a loan under section 205 for the crop of sesame or crambe produced on the farm."

(c) **FEED GRAINS.**—Section 105B(c)(1)(F) (7 U.S.C. 1444f(c)(1)(F)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i)—

(A) by striking "sesame, castor beans, crambe," and inserting "castor beans,";

(B) by striking "rye, mung beans," and inserting "rye, millet, mung beans,"; and

(C) in subclause (I), by striking "and will not affect farm income adversely"; and

(2) in clause (ii), by striking "mustard seed, and" and inserting "mustard seed, sesame, crambe, and".

(d) **WHEAT.**—Section 107B(c)(1)(F) (7 U.S.C. 1445b-3a(c)(1)(F)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i)—

(A) by striking "sesame, castor beans, crambe," and inserting "castor beans,";

(B) by striking "rye, mung beans," and inserting "rye, millet, mung beans,"; and

(C) in subclause (I), by striking "and will not affect farm income adversely"; and

(2) in clause (ii), by striking "mustard seed, and" and inserting "mustard seed, sesame, crambe, and".

SEC. 103. DOUBLE CROPPING OF 0/92 ACRES.

(a) **FEED GRAINS.**—Section 105B(c)(1)(F) (7 U.S.C. 1444f(c)(1)(F)) is amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

"(iii) **DOUBLE CROPPING.**—The Secretary shall permit, subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, all or any portion of the acreage otherwise required to be devoted to conservation uses as a condition of qualifying for payments under subparagraph (E) that is devoted to an industrial, oilseed, or other crop pursuant to clause (i) or (ii) to be subsequently planted during the same crop year to any crop described in subparagraph (B), (C), or (D) of section 504(b)(1). The planting of soybeans as such subsequently planted crop shall be limited to farms determined by the Secretary to have an established history of double cropping soybeans during at least 3 of the

preceding 5 years. In implementing this clause, the Secretary shall require producers to agree to forego eligibility to receive loans under this Act for the crop of the subsequently planted crop that is produced on a farm under this clause.”

(b) **WHEAT.**—Section 107B(c)(1)(F) (7 U.S.C. 1445b-3a(c)(1)(F)) is amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

“(iii) **DOUBLE CROPPING.**—The Secretary shall permit, subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, all or any portion of the acreage otherwise required to be devoted to conservation uses as a condition of qualifying for payments under subparagraph (E) that is devoted to an industrial, oilseed, or other crop pursuant to clause (i) or (ii) to be subsequently planted during the same crop year to any crop described in subparagraph (B), (C), or (D) of section 504(b)(1). The planting of soybeans as such subsequently planted crop shall be limited to farms determined by the Secretary to have an established history of double cropping soybeans during at least 3 of the preceding 5 years. In implementing this clause, the Secretary shall require producers to agree to forego eligibility to receive loans under this Act for the crop of the subsequently planted crop that is produced on a farm under this clause.”

SEC. 104. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACREAGE REDUCTION PROGRAMS FOR RICE.

Section 101B(e)(1) (7 U.S.C. 1441-2(e)(1)) is amended by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting the following new subparagraph:

“(C) **ANNOUNCEMENTS.**—

“(i) **PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.**—If the Secretary elects to implement an acreage limitation program for any crop year, the Secretary shall make a preliminary announcement of any such program not later than December 1 of the calendar year preceding the year in which the crop is harvested (or, for the 1992 crop, as soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this subparagraph). The preliminary announcement shall include, among other information determined necessary by the Secretary, an announcement of the uniform percentage reduction in the rice crop acreage base described in paragraph (2)(A).

“(ii) **FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT.**—Not later than January 31 of the calendar year in which the crop is harvested, the Secretary shall make a final announcement of the program. The announcement shall include, among other information determined necessary by the Secretary, an announcement of the uniform percentage reduction in the rice crop described in paragraph (2)(A).”

SEC. 105. CORN AND SORGHUM BASES.

Section 105B(e)(2) (7 U.S.C. 1444f(c)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(H) CORN AND SORGHUM BASES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, with respect to each of the 1992 through 1995 crops of corn and grain sorghums—

“(i) the Secretary shall combine the permitted acres established under subparagraph (D) for a farm for a crop year for corn and grain sorghums;

“(ii) for each crop year, the sum of the acreage planted and considered planted to corn and grain sorghum, as determined by the Secretary under this section and title V, shall be prorated to corn and grain sorghum based on the ratio of the crop acreage base for the individual crop of corn or grain sorghum, as applicable, to the sum of the crop acreage bases for corn and grain sorghum established for each crop year; and

“(iii) for each crop year, the sum of the corn and grain sorghum payment acres, as determined under subsection (c), shall be prorated to corn and grain sorghum based on the ratio of the maximum payment acres for the individual crop of corn or grain sorghum, as applicable, to the sum of the maximum payment acres for corn and grain sorghum established for each crop year.”.

SEC. 106. COVER CROPS ON REDUCED ACREAGE.

(a) RICE.—Clause (i) of section 101B(e)(4)(B) (7 U.S.C. 1441-2(e)(4)(B)(i)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) REQUIRED.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subclause (II) and paragraph (2), a producer who participates in an acreage reduction program established for a crop of rice under this subsection shall be required to plant to, or maintain as, an annual or perennial cover 50 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the acreage that is required to be removed from the production of rice, but not to exceed 5 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the crop acreage base established for the crop.

“(II) ARID AREAS.—Subclause (I) shall not apply with respect to arid areas (including summer fallow areas), as determined by the Secretary. If the Secretary determines any county in a State to be arid, the respective State committee established under section 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) may designate any other county or counties or all of the State as arid for the purposes of this paragraph.

“(III) APPROVAL OF COVER CROPS AND PRACTICES.—The State committee, after receiving recommendations from the county committees, shall approve appropriate crops planted or maintained as cover, including, as appropriate, annual or perennial native grasses and legumes or other vegetation. The State committee shall establish the final seeding date for the planting of the cover and shall approve appropriate cover crops or practices, after consulting the Soil Conservation Service State Con-

servationist regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion. After the Secretary establishes the State technical committee for the State pursuant to section 1261 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3861), the State committee shall consult with the technical committee (rather than the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist) regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion.”

(b) COTTON.—Clause (i) of section 103B(e)(4)(B) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(e)(4)(B)(i)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) REQUIRED.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subclause (II) and paragraph (2), a producer who participates in an acreage reduction program established for a crop of upland cotton under this subsection shall be required to plant to, or maintain as, an annual or perennial cover 50 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the acreage that is required to be removed from the production of upland cotton, but not to exceed 5 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the crop acreage base established for the crop.

“(II) ARID AREAS.—Subclause (I) shall not apply with respect to arid areas (including summer fallow areas), as determined by the Secretary. If the Secretary determines any county in a State to be arid, the respective State committee established under section 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) may designate any other county or counties or all of the State as arid for the purposes of this paragraph.

“(III) APPROVAL OF COVER CROPS AND PRACTICES.—The State committee, after receiving recommendations from the county committees, shall approve appropriate crops planted or maintained as cover, including, as appropriate, annual or perennial native grasses and legumes or other vegetation. The State committee shall establish the final seeding date for the planting of the cover and shall approve appropriate cover crops or practices, after consulting the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion. After the Secretary establishes the State technical committee for the State pursuant to section 1261 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3861), the State committee shall consult with the technical committee (rather than the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist) regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion.”

(c) FEED GRAINS.—Clause (i) of section 105B(e)(4)(B) (7 U.S.C. 1444f(e)(4)(B)(i)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) REQUIRED.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subclause (II) and paragraph (2), a producer who participates in an acreage reduction program established for a crop of feed grains under this subsection shall be required to plant to, or maintain as, an annual or perennial cover 50 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the acreage that is required to be removed from the production of feed grains, but not to exceed 5 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the crop acreage base established for the crop.

“(II) ARID AREAS.—Subclause (I) shall not apply with respect to arid areas (including summer fallow areas), as determined by the Secretary. If the Secretary determines any county in a State to be arid, the respective State committee established under section 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) may designate any other county or counties or all of the State as arid for the purposes of this paragraph.

“(III) APPROVAL OF COVER CROPS AND PRACTICES.—The State committee, after receiving recommendations from the county committees, shall approve appropriate crops planted or maintained as cover, including, as appropriate, annual or perennial native grasses and legumes or other vegetation. The State committee shall establish the final seeding date for the planting of the cover and shall approve appropriate cover crops or practices, after consulting the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion. After the Secretary establishes the State technical committee for the State pursuant to section 1261 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3861), the State committee shall consult with the technical committee (rather than the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist) regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion.”.

(d) WHEAT.—Clause (i) of section 107B(e)(4)(B) (7 U.S.C. 1445b-3a(e)(4)(B)(i)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) REQUIRED.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subclause (II) and paragraph (2), a producer who participates in an acreage reduction program established for a crop of wheat under this subsection shall be required to plant to, or maintain as, an annual or perennial cover 50 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the acreage that is required to be removed from the production of wheat, but not to exceed 5 percent (or more at the option of the producer) of the crop acreage base established for the crop.

“(II) ARID AREAS.—Subclause (I) shall not apply with respect to arid areas (including summer fallow areas), as determined by the Secretary. If the Secretary determines any county in a State to be arid, the respective State committee established under section 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) may designate any other county or counties or all of the State as arid for the purposes of this paragraph.

“(III) APPROVAL OF COVER CROPS AND PRACTICES.—The State committee, after receiving recommendations from the county committees, shall approve appropriate crops planted or maintained as cover, including, as appropriate, annual or perennial native grasses and legumes or other vegetation. The State committee shall establish the final seeding date for the planting of the cover and shall approve appropriate cover crops or practices, after consulting the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion. After the Secretary establishes the State technical committee for the State pursuant to section 1261 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3861), the State committee shall consult with the technical committee (rather than the Soil Conservation Service State Conservationist) regarding whether the crops or practices will sufficiently protect the land from weeds and wind and water erosion.”.

SEC. 107. COTTON USER MARKETING CERTIFICATES.

(a) ISSUANCE.—Section 103B(a)(5)(E) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(a)(5)(E)) is amended—

(1) by striking clause (i) and inserting the following new clause:

“(i) ISSUANCE.—Subject to clause (iv), during the period beginning August 1, 1991, and ending July 31, 1996, the Secretary shall issue marketing certificates or cash payments to domestic users and exporters for documented purchases by domestic users and sales for export by exporters made in the week following a consecutive 4-week period in which—

“(I) the Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-priced United States growth, as quoted for Middling (M) one and three-thirty seconds inch cotton, delivered C.I.F. Northern Europe exceeds the Northern Europe price by more than 1.25 cents per pound; and

“(II) the prevailing world market price for upland cotton (adjusted to United States quality and location), established under subparagraph (C), does not exceed 130 percent of the current crop year loan level for the base quality of upland cotton, as determined by the Secretary.”;

(2) in clause (ii), by striking “marketing certificates” and inserting “marketing certificates or cash payments”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new clause:

“(iv) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary shall not issue marketing certificates or cash payments under clause (i) if, for the immediately preceding consecutive 10-week period, the Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the lowest priced United States growth, as quoted for Middling (M) one and three-thirty seconds inch cotton, delivered C.I.F. Northern Europe, adjusted for the value of any certificate issued under this subparagraph, exceeds the Northern Europe price by more than 1.25 cents per pound.”

(b) PREVAILING WORLD MARKET PRICE.—Section 103B(a)(5)(C)(ii) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(a)(5)(C)(ii)) is amended by striking “and (B)” and inserting “, (B), and (E)”.

SEC. 108. MALTING BARLEY.

Section 105B (7 U.S.C. 1444f) is amended—

(1) in subsection (e)(2)(G), by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The Secretary shall make an annual determination of whether to exempt such producers from compliance with any acreage limitation under this paragraph and shall announce such determination in the Federal Register.”; and

(2) by striking subsection (p) and inserting the following new subsection:

“(p) MALTING BARLEY.—

“(1) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—In order to help offset costs associated with deficiency payments made available under this section to producers of barley, the Secretary shall provide for an assessment for each of the 1991 through 1995 crop years to be levied on any producer of malting barley produced on a farm that is enrolled for the crop year in the production adjustment program under this section. The Secretary shall establish such assessment at not more than 5 percent of the value of the malting barley produced on program payment acres on the farm during each of the 1991 through 1995 crop years. The production per acre on which the assessment is based shall not be greater than the farm program payment yield.

“(2) VALUE OF MALTING BARLEY.—The Secretary may establish the value of such malting barley at the lesser of the State or national weighted average market price received by producers of malting barley for the first 5 months of the marketing year. In calculating the State or national weighted average market price, the Secretary may exclude the value of malting barley that is contracted for sale by producers prior to planting.

“(3) EXCEPTION TO ASSESSMENT.—In counties where malting barley is produced, participating barley producers may certify to the Secretary prior to computation of final deficiency payments that part or all of the producer’s production was (or will be) sold or used for nonmalting purposes. The portion certified as sold or used for nonmalting purposes shall not be subject to the assessment. The Secretary may require producers to provide to the Secretary such documentation as the Secretary considers appropriate to carry out this paragraph.”.

SEC. 109. DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS FOR WHEAT, BARLEY, AND OATS.

Section 114(c) (7 U.S.C. 1445j(c)) is amended—

(1) in the material preceding the paragraphs, by striking "sections" and inserting "section";

(2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4); and

(3) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following new paragraphs:

"(2) With respect to feed grains (excluding barley and oats), 75 percent of the final projected deficiency payment for the crop, reduced by the amount of the advance, shall be made available as soon as practicable after the end of the first 5 months of the applicable marketing year.

"(3) With respect to wheat, barley, and oats, the final projected deficiency payment for the crop, reduced by the amount of the advance, shall be made available as soon as practicable after the end of the first 5 months of the applicable marketing year. Such projected payment shall be based on the national weighted average market price received by producers during the first 5 months of the marketing year for the crop, as determined by the Secretary, plus 10 cents per bushel with respect to wheat or 7 cents per bushel with respect to barley and oats."

SEC. 110. MINOR OILSEED LOAN RATES.

Section 205(c) (7 U.S.C. 1446f(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking "flaxseed" and inserting "flaxseed, individually,";

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking "that, in the case of cottonseed, in no event less" and inserting "in no event shall the level for such oilseeds (other than cottonseed) be less"; and

(3) by adding after and below paragraph (3) the following new sentence:

"To ensure that producers have an equitable opportunity to produce an alternative crop in areas of limited crop options, the Secretary may limit, insofar as practicable, adjustments in the loan rate established under paragraph (2) applicable to a particular region, State, or county for the purpose of reflecting transportation differentials such that the regional, State, or county loan rate does not increase or decrease by more than 9 percent from the basic national loan rate."

SEC. 111. SUGAR.

(a) SUGAR PRICE SUPPORT AND MARKETING ASSESSMENTS.—Section 206 (7 U.S.C. 1446g) is amended—

(1) in subsection (e), by striking "announce the loan rate" and inserting "announce the basic loan rates for beet sugar and cane sugar";

(2) in subsection (f), by striking "Loans" and inserting "Except as provided in subsection (g), loans";

(3) by striking subsection (g) and inserting the following new subsection:

"(g) SUPPLEMENTARY NONRECOURSE LOANS.—The Secretary shall make available to eligible processors price support loans with respect to sugar processed from sugar beets and sugarcane harvested in the last 3 months of a fiscal year. Such loans shall mature at the end of the fiscal year. The processor may repledge the sugar as collateral for a price support loan in the subsequent fiscal year, except that the second loan shall—

"(1) be made at the loan rate in effect at the time the second loan is made; and

"(2) mature in 9 months less the quantity of time that the first loan was in effect."; and

(4) in subsection (i)—

(A) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) and inserting the following new paragraphs:

"(1) SUGARCANE.—Effective only for marketings of raw cane sugar during the 1992 through 1996 fiscal years, the first processor of sugarcane shall remit to the Commodity Credit Corporation a nonrefundable marketing assessment in an amount equal to .18 cents per pound of raw cane sugar, processed by the processor from domestically produced sugarcane or sugarcane molasses, that has been marketed (including the transfer or delivery of the sugar to a refinery for further processing or marketing).

"(2) SUGAR BEETS.—Effective only for marketings of beet sugar during the 1992 through 1996 fiscal years, the first processor of sugar beets shall remit to the Commodity Credit Corporation a nonrefundable marketing assessment in an amount equal to .193 cents per pound of beet sugar, processed by the processor from domestically produced sugar beets or sugar beet molasses, that has been marketed.

"(3) COLLECTION.—

"(A) TIMING.—Marketing assessments required under this subsection shall be collected on a monthly basis and shall be remitted to the Commodity Credit Corporation within 30 days after the end of each month. Any cane sugar or beet sugar processed during a fiscal year that has not been marketed by September 30 of that year shall be subject to assessment on that date. The sugar shall not be subject to a second assessment at the time that it is marketed.

"(B) MANNER.—Subject to subparagraph (A), marketing assessments shall be collected under this subsection in the manner prescribed by the Secretary and shall be non-refundable."; and

(B) in paragraph (4), by striking "collect or remit the reduction" and inserting "remit the assessment".

(b) SECURITY INTERESTS.—Subsection (b) of section 405 (7 U.S.C. 1425) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) SUGARCANE AND SUGAR BEETS.—The security interests obtained by the Commodity Credit Corporation as a result of the execution of security agreements by the processors of sugarcane and sugar beets shall be superior to all statutory and common law liens on raw cane sugar and refined beet sugar in favor of the producers of sugarcane and sugar beets and all prior recorded and unrecorded liens on the crops of sugarcane and sugar beets from which the sugar was derived. The preceding sentence shall not affect the application of section 401(e)(2)."

(c) SUGAR INFORMATION REPORTING.—Section 359a of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359aa) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following new subsection:

"(a) DUTY OF PROCESSORS, REFINERS AND MANUFACTURERS TO REPORT.—

“(1) PROCESSORS AND REFINERS.—All sugarcane processors, cane sugar refiners, and sugar beet processors shall furnish the Secretary, on a monthly basis, such information as the Secretary may require to administer sugar programs, including the quantity of purchases of sugarcane, sugar beets, and sugar, and production, importation, distribution, and stock levels of sugar.

“(2) MANUFACTURERS OF CRYSTALLINE FRUCTOSE.—All manufacturers of crystalline fructose from corn (hereafter in this part referred to as ‘crystalline fructose’) shall furnish the Secretary, on a monthly basis, such information as the Secretary may require with respect to the manufacturer’s distribution of crystalline fructose.”;

(2) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively;

(3) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsection:

“(b) DUTY OF PRODUCERS TO REPORT.—The Secretary may require a producer of sugarcane or sugar beets to report, in the manner prescribed by the Secretary, the producer’s sugarcane or sugar beet yields and acres planted to sugarcane or sugar beets, respectively.”; and

(4) in subsection (d) (as redesignated by paragraph (2))—

(A) by striking “data on imports,” and inserting “data on production, imports,”; and

(B) by inserting “composite data on distributions of” after “sugar and”.

(d) MARKETING ALLOTMENTS FOR SUGAR AND CRYSTALLINE FRUCTOSE.—Section 359b of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359bb) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following new subsection:

“(a) SUGAR ESTIMATES.—

Imports.

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Before the beginning of each of the fiscal years 1992 through 1996, the Secretary shall estimate—

“(A) the quantity of sugar that will be consumed in the United States during the fiscal year (other than sugar imported for the production of polyhydric alcohol or to be refined and reexported in refined form or in sugar containing products) and the quantity of sugar that would provide for reasonable carryover stocks;

“(B) the quantity of sugar that will be available from carry-in stocks or from domestically-produced sugarcane and sugar beets for consumption in the United States during the year; and

“(C) the quantity of sugar that will be imported for consumption in the United States during the year (other than sugar imported for the production of polyhydric alcohol or to be refined and reexported in a refined form or in sugar containing products), based on the difference between—

“(i) the sum of the quantity of estimated consumption and reasonable carryover stocks; and

“(ii) the quantity of sugar estimated to be available from domestically-produced sugarcane and sugar beets and from carry-in stocks.

“(2) QUARTERLY REESTIMATES.—The Secretary shall make quarterly reestimates of sugar consumption, stocks, production,

and imports for a fiscal year no later than the beginning of each of the second through fourth quarters of the fiscal year.”;

(2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following new subsection:

“(b) SUGAR ALLOTMENTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—For any fiscal year in which the Secretary estimates, under subsection (a)(1)(C), that imports of sugar for consumption in the United States (other than sugar imported for the production of polyhydric alcohol or to be refined and reexported in refined form or in sugar containing products) will be less than 1,250,000 short tons, raw value, the Secretary shall establish for that year appropriate allotments under section 359c for the marketing by processors of sugar processed from domestically-produced sugarcane and sugar beets, at a level that the Secretary estimates will result in imports of sugar of not less than 1,250,000 short tons, raw value, for that year.

“(2) PRODUCTS.—The Secretary may include sugar products, whose majority content is sucrose or crystalline fructose for human consumption, derived from sugarcane, sugar beets, molasses or sugar in the allotments under paragraph (1) if the Secretary determines it to be appropriate for purposes of this part.”; and

(3) in subsection (d)(4), by inserting after “the United States” the following: “(including, with respect to any integrated processor and refiner, the movement of raw cane sugar into the refining process)”.

(e) ESTABLISHMENT OF MARKETING ALLOTMENTS.—Section 359c of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359cc) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1)—

(A) by striking “from the estimated sugar consumption” and inserting “from the sum of the estimated sugar consumption and reasonable carryover stocks (at the end of the fiscal year)”;

(B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “(representing minimum imports of sugar for consumption in the United States during the fiscal year)”;

(2) in subsection (b)(2), by striking “prevent the accumulation of sugar acquired by” and inserting “avoid the forfeiture of sugar to”;

(3) in subsection (f)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking “SUGARCANE ALLOTMENT” and inserting “CANE SUGAR ALLOTMENTS”;

(B) by striking “allotted among the 5 States in the United States in which sugarcane is produced” and inserting “allotted, among the 5 States in the United States in which sugarcane is produced,”;

(4) in subsection (g)—

(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following new paragraph:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, based on reestimates under section 359b(a)(2)—

“(A) adjust upward or downward marketing allotments established under subsections (a) through (f) in a fair and equitable manner;

“(B) establish marketing allotments for the fiscal year or any portion of such fiscal year; or

“(C) suspend the allotments,

as the Secretary determines appropriate, to reflect changes in estimated sugar consumption, stocks, production, or imports.”.

(B) by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the following new paragraph:

“(3) REDUCTIONS.—Whenever a marketing allotment for a fiscal year is required to be reduced during the fiscal year under this subsection, if the quantity of sugar marketed, including sugar pledged as collateral for a price support loan under section 206 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1446g), for the fiscal year at the time of the reduction by any individual processor covered by the allotment exceeds the processor's reduced allocation, the allocation of an allotment, if any, next established for the processor shall be reduced by the quantity of the excess sugar marketed.”; and

(5) by striking subsection (h) and inserting the following new subsection:

“(h) FILLING CANE SUGAR AND BEET SUGAR ALLOTMENTS.—Each marketing allotment for cane sugar established under this section may only be filled with sugar processed from domestically grown sugarcane, and each marketing allotment for beet sugar established under this section may only be filled with sugar processed from domestically grown sugar beets.”.

(f) ALLOCATION OF MARKETING ALLOTMENTS.—Section 359d of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359dd) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2) by striking “after such hearing” both places it appears and inserting “after a hearing, if requested by interested parties.”; and

(2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following new subsection:

“(b) FILLING CANE SUGAR ALLOTMENTS.—Except as otherwise provided in section 359e, a State cane sugar allotment established under section 359c(f) for a fiscal year may be filled only with sugar processed from sugarcane grown in the State covered by the allotment.”.

(g) REASSIGNMENTS OF DEFICITS.—Section 359e of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359ee) is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 359e. REASSIGNMENT OF DEFICITS.

“(a) ESTIMATES OF DEFICITS.—At any time allotments are in effect under this part, the Secretary, from time to time, shall determine whether (in view of then-current inventories of sugar, the estimated production of sugar and expected marketings, and other pertinent factors) any processor of sugarcane will be unable to market the sugar covered by the portion of the State cane sugar allotment allocated to the processor and whether any processor of sugar beets will be unable to market sugar covered by the portion of the beet sugar allotment allocated to the processor.

“(b) REASSIGNMENT OF DEFICITS.—

“(1) CANE SUGAR.—If the Secretary determines that any sugarcane processor who has been allocated a share of a State cane sugar allotment will be unable to market the processor's allocation of the State's allotment for the fiscal year—

“(A) the Secretary first shall reassign the estimated quantity of the deficit to the allocations for other processors within that State, depending on the capacity of each other processor to fill the portion of the deficit to be assigned to it and taking into account the interests of producers served by the processors;

“(B) if after the reassignments the deficit cannot be completely eliminated, the Secretary shall reassign the estimated quantity of the deficit proportionately to the allotments for other cane sugar States, depending on the capacity of each other State to fill the portion of the deficit to be assigned to it, with the reassigned quantity to each State to be allocated among processors in that State in proportion to the allocations of the processors; and

“(C) if after the reassignments, the deficit cannot be completely eliminated, the Secretary shall reassign the remainder to imports.

“(2) BEET SUGAR.—If the Secretary determines that a sugar beet processor who has been allocated a share of the beet sugar allotment will be unable to market that allocation—

“(A) the Secretary first shall reassign the estimated quantity of the deficit to the allotments for other sugar beet processors, depending on the capacity of each other processor to fill the portion of the deficit to be assigned to it and taking into account the interests of producers served by the processors; and

“(B) if after the reassignments, the deficit cannot be completely eliminated, the Secretary shall reassign the remainder to imports.

“(3) CORRESPONDING INCREASE.—The allocation of each processor receiving a reassigned quantity of an allotment under this subsection for a fiscal year shall be increased to reflect the reassignment.”.

(h) PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO PRODUCERS.—Section 359f(b) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359ff(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “250 producers in such State” and inserting “250 sugarcane producers in the State (other than Puerto Rico)”;

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking “establish proportionate shares for the crop of sugarcane that is harvested during” and inserting “establish a proportionate share for each sugarcane-producing farm that limits the acreage of sugarcane that may be harvested on the farm for sugar or seed during”; and

(3) by striking paragraphs (3), (4), and (5) and inserting the following new paragraphs:

“(3) METHOD OF DETERMINING.—For purposes of determining proportionate shares for any crop of sugarcane:

“(A) The Secretary shall establish the State’s per-acre yield goal for a crop of sugarcane at a level (not less than the average per-acre yield in the State for the preceding 5 years, as determined by the Secretary) that will ensure an adequate net return per pound to producers in the State, taking into consideration any available production research data that the Secretary considers relevant.

“(B) The Secretary shall adjust the per-acre yield goal by the average recovery rate of sugar produced from sugarcane by processors in the State.

“(C) The Secretary shall convert the State allotment for the fiscal year involved into a State acreage allotment for the crop by dividing the State allotment by the per-acre yield goal for the State, as established under subparagraph (A) and as further adjusted under subparagraph (B).

“(D) The Secretary shall establish a uniform reduction percentage for the crop by dividing the State acreage allotment, as determined for the crop under subparagraph (C), by the sum of all adjusted acreage bases in the State, as determined by the Secretary.

“(E) The uniform reduction percentage for the crop, as determined under subparagraph (D), shall be applied to the acreage base for each sugarcane-producing farm in the State to determine the farm's proportionate share of sugarcane acreage that may be harvested for sugar or seed.

“(4) ACREAGE BASE.—For purposes of this subsection, the acreage base for each sugarcane-producing farm shall be determined by the Secretary, as follows:

“(A) The acreage base for any farm shall be the number of acres that is equal to the average of the acreage planted and considered planted for harvest for sugar or seed on the farm in each of the 5 crop years preceding the fiscal year the proportionate share will be in effect.

“(B) Acreage planted to sugarcane that producers on a farm were unable to harvest to sugarcane for sugar or seed because of drought, flood, other natural disaster, or other condition beyond the control of the producers may be considered as harvested for the production of sugar or seed for purposes of this paragraph.

“(5) VIOLATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Whenever proportionate shares are in effect in a State for a crop of sugarcane, producers on a farm shall not knowingly harvest, or allow to be harvested, for sugar or seed an acreage of sugarcane in excess of the farm's proportionate share for the fiscal year, or otherwise violate proportionate share regulations issued by the Secretary under section 359h(a).

“(B) CIVIL PENALTY.—Any producer who violates subparagraph (A) shall be liable to the Commodity Credit Corporation for a civil penalty in an amount equal to 3 times the United States market value, at the time of the commission of the violation, of the quantity of sugar produced from that quantity of sugarcane involved in the violation. The quantity of sugarcane involved shall be determined based on the per-acre yield goal established under paragraph (3).”.

(i) SPECIAL RULES.—Section 359g of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359gg) is amended—

(1) by striking subsections (a) and (b) and inserting the following new subsections:

“(a) TRANSFER OF ACREAGE BASE HISTORY.—For the purpose of establishing proportionate shares for sugarcane farms under section 359f, the Secretary, on application of any producer, with the written consent of all owners of a farm, may transfer the acreage base history of the farm to any other parcels of land of the applicant.

“(b) **PRESERVATION OF ACREAGE BASE HISTORY.**—If for reasons beyond the control of a producer on a farm, the producer is unable to harvest an acreage of sugarcane for sugar or seed with respect to all or a portion of the proportionate share established for the farm under section 359f, the Secretary, on the application of the producer and with the written consent of all owners of the farm, may preserve for a period of not more than 3 consecutive years the acreage base history of the farm to the extent of the proportionate share involved. The Secretary may permit the proportionate share to be redistributed to other farms, but no acreage base history for purposes of establishing acreage bases shall accrue to the other farms by virtue of the redistribution of the proportionate share.”; and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by striking “hearing and”; and

(B) by inserting “required to be” after “proportionate share was”.

(j) **REGULATIONS.**—Subsection (a) of section 359h of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359hh(a)) is amended to read as follows:

“(a) **REGULATIONS.**—The Secretary or the Commodity Credit Corporation, as appropriate, shall issue such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the authority vested in the Secretary in administering this part.”; and

(k) **APPEALS.**—Paragraph (2) of section 359i(b) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359ii(b)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

“(2) **HEARING.**—The Secretary shall provide each appellant an opportunity for a hearing before an administrative law judge in accordance with sections 554 and 556 of title 5, United States Code. The expenses for conducting the hearing shall be reimbursed by the Commodity Credit Corporation.”.

SEC. 112. CROP ACREAGE BASE.

(a) **ACREAGE CONSIDERED PLANTED.**—Section 503(c) (7 U.S.C. 1463(c)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (6) and (7) as paragraphs (7) and (8) respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following new paragraph:

“(6) acreage in an amount not to exceed 20 percent of the crop acreage base for a crop of feed grains or wheat if—

“(A) the acreage is planted to dry peas, (limited to Austrian peas, wrinkled, seed, green, yellow, and umatilla) and lentils; and

“(B) payments are not received by producers under sections 105B(c)(1)(E) and 107B(c)(1)(E), as the case may be;”.

(b) **ADJUSTMENT OF BASES.**—Section 503(h) (7 U.S.C. 1463(h)) is amended—

(1) by striking “BASES.—The county” and inserting the following: “BASES.—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The county”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(2) **RESTORATION OF CROP ACREAGE BASE.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—For the 1992 through 1995 crop years, the county committee shall allow an eligible producer to increase individual crop acreage bases on the farm, subject to subsection

(a)(2), above the levels of base that would otherwise be established under this section, in order to restore the total of crop acreage bases on the farm for the 1992 through 1995 crop years to the same level as the total of crop acreage bases on the farm for the 1990 crop year.

“(B) ELIGIBLE PRODUCER DEFINED.—For the purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘eligible producer’ means a producer of upland cotton or rice who, the appropriate county committee determines—

“(i) was required to reduce one or more individual crop acreage bases on the farm during the 1991 crop year in order to comply with subsection (a)(2) and the change in the calculation of cotton and rice crop acreage bases to a 3-year formula as provided in this section; and

“(ii) has participated in the price support program during the 1991 crop year and each subsequent crop year through the current crop year.

“(C) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall issue regulations to carry out this paragraph.”

(c) PLANTING FLEXIBILITY.—Section 504(b)(1) (7 U.S.C. 1464(b)(1)) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” at the end of subparagraph (C);

(2) by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (D) and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
“(E) mung beans.”

SEC. 113. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE AGRICULTURAL ACT OF 1949.

The Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1421 et seq.) is further amended—

(1) in section 101B(c)(1)(B) (7 U.S.C. 1441-2(c)(1)(B)), by redesignating the second clause (ii) as clause (iii);

(2) in section 103B(a) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(a))—

(A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “upland cotton,” and inserting “upland cotton,”; and

(B) in paragraph (3), by striking “the date of enactment of this Act” and inserting “November 28, 1990”;

(3) in section 103B(n)(1)(D) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(n)(1)(D)), by striking “effective date of the proclamation” and inserting “date the special quota is established by the Secretary”;

(4) in section 105B(c)(1)(B)(iii)(IV)(bb) (7 U.S.C. 1444f(c)(1)(B)(iii)(IV)(bb)) by striking “(bb) BARLEY CALCULATIONS.—” and inserting “(bb) BARLEY CALCULATIONS.—”;

(5) in section 105B(g) (7 U.S.C. 1444f(g))—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “subsection (d)” and inserting “subsection (e)”;

(B) in paragraph (6)(E), by striking “is” both places it appears and inserting “are”;

(6) in section 107B(g)(1) (7 U.S.C. 1445b-3a(g)(1)), by striking “subsection (d)” and inserting “subsection (e)”;

(7) in section 110 (7 U.S.C. 1445e)—

(A) in subsection (n), by striking “the date of enactment of this section” and inserting “November 28, 1990”;

(B) by redesignating subsection (o) as subsection (p) and transferring such subsection to the end of the section; and

(C) in the second subsection (k)—

- (i) by redesignating such subsection as subsection (o);
- (ii) by striking "(o) In" and inserting "(o) REVIEW.—In"; and
- (iii) by striking "subsection (e)(1)" and inserting "this section";
- (8) in section 201 (7 U.S.C. 1446), by redesignating subsection (b) (as amended by section 1161(b)(3) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3521)) as subsection (c);
- (9) in section 202 (7 U.S.C. 1446a)—
 - (A) by striking "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" each place it appears and inserting "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
 - (B) by striking "Administrator" each place it appears and inserting "Secretary of Veterans Affairs";
- (10) in section 204(h)(3) (7 U.S.C. 1446e(h)(3)), by adding at the end the following new sentence: "A refund under this subsection shall not be considered as any type of price support or payment for purposes of sections 1211 and 1221 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3811 and 3821).";
- (11) in section 406(b)(4) (7 U.S.C. 1426(b)(4)), by striking "the date of enactment of this subsection" and inserting "November 28, 1990,"; and
- (12) in section 426 (7 U.S.C. 1433e)—
 - (A) in subsection (c)—
 - (i) by striking "division" in paragraphs (1) and (6) and inserting "Division"; and
 - (ii) by striking "subsection (e)" in paragraph (7) and inserting "subsection (f)";
 - (B) in subsection (f), by striking "county or State" and inserting "State or county";
 - (C) in subsection (g), by striking "County Committees" and inserting "county committees"; and
 - (D) in subsection (h), by striking "section 8(e)" and inserting "section 8(b)".

SEC. 114. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3359) is amended—

- (1) in section 1124 (7 U.S.C. 1445e note; 104 Stat. 3506), by striking "warehouse" both places it appears and inserting "warehousemen";
- (2) in section 1156 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note), by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following new subsection:
 "(b) **FUNDS.**—The Corporation shall expend such funds as may be required to conduct the pilot program for futures options contract trading in the manner specified in this subtitle and the regulations issued, and contracts entered into, to carry out this subtitle, except that funds of the Corporation may not be used to carry out this subtitle unless the Secretary, in the sole discretion of the Secretary, determines in advance that such funds shall be used for this purpose.";
- (3) in section 1353 (7 U.S.C. 1622 note; 104 Stat. 3567), by striking "et seq" and inserting "et seq.";
- (4) in section 2241 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3963)—

- (A) in subsection (a)(4)(A), by inserting "extra long staple cotton," after "upland cotton," each place it appears;
 - (B) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting "extra long staple cotton," after "upland cotton,"; and
 - (C) in subsection (b)(4), by inserting "extra long staple cotton," after "upland cotton,";
 - (5) in section 2243(b)(2)(A) (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3966), by striking "to harvest" and inserting "for harvest";
 - (6) in section 2249 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3972), by striking "chapter" and inserting "subchapter" each place it appears;
 - (7) in section 2250(b)(1) (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3973), by striking "cotton" and inserting "upland cotton, extra long staple cotton";
 - (8) in section 2257 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3974), by striking "chapter" and inserting "subchapter" each place it appears;
 - (9) in section 2258 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3975), by striking "chapter" and inserting "subchapter";
 - (10) in section 2259 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3975), by striking "chapter" and inserting "subchapter";
 - (11) in section 2263 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3975), by striking "chapter" and inserting "subchapter" each place it appears;
 - (12) in section 2265 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3976), by striking "chapter" and inserting "subchapter";
 - (13) in section 2266(a) (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3976), by striking "subchapter" and inserting "chapter";
 - (14) in section 2267 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3976)—
 - (A) in subsection (a), by striking "subchapter" and inserting "chapter" each place it appears; and
 - (B) in subsection (b), by striking "chapter 1" and inserting "this chapter";
 - (15) in section 2268(b) (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3976), by striking "subchapter" and inserting "chapter"; and
 - (16) in section 2271 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note; 104 Stat. 3977), by striking "payment of" and inserting "payments or".
- (b) PRICE SUPPORT FOR HIGH MOISTURE FEED GRAINS.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 105B of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1444f) is amended—
- (A) by redesignating subsection (q) as subsection (r); and
 - (B) by inserting after subsection (p) the following new subsection:
- “(q) PRICE SUPPORT FOR HIGH MOISTURE FEED GRAINS.—
- “(1) RECOURSE LOANS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, effective for each of the 1991 through 1995 crops of feed grains, the Secretary (through the Commodity Credit Corporation) shall make available recourse loans, as determined by the Secretary, to producers on a farm who—
- “(A) normally harvest all or a portion of their crop of feed grains in a high moisture state, hereinafter in this subsection defined as a feed grain having a moisture content in excess of Commodity Credit Corporation standards for loans made by the Secretary under paragraphs (1) and (6) of subsection (a);
 - “(B)(i) present certified scale tickets from an inspected, certified commercial scale, including licensed warehouses,

feedlots, feed mills, distilleries, or other similar entities approved by the Secretary, pursuant to regulations issued by the Secretary; or

“(ii) present field or other physical measurements of the standing or stored feed grain crop in regions of the country, as determined by the Secretary, that do not have certified commercial scales from which certified scale tickets may be obtained within reasonable proximity of harvest operation;

“(C) certify that they were the owners of the feed grain at the time of delivery to, and that the quantity to be placed under loan was in fact harvested on the farm and delivered to, a feedlot, feed mill, or commercial or on-farm high-moisture storage facility, or to such facilities maintained by the users of such high-moisture feed grain;

“(D) comply with deadlines established by the Secretary for harvesting the feed grain and submit applications for loans within deadlines established by the Secretary; and

“(E) participate in an acreage limitation program for the crop of feed grains established by the Secretary.

“(2) ELIGIBILITY OF ACQUIRED FEED GRAINS.—The loans shall be made on a quantity of feed grains of the same crop acquired by the producer equivalent to a quantity determined by multiplying—

“(A) the acreage of the feed grain in a high moisture state harvested on the producer's farm; by

“(B) the lower of the farm program payment yield or the actual yield on a field, as determined by the Secretary, that is similar to the field from which such high moisture feed grain was obtained.”

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 404 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 1444f-1) is repealed.

SEC. 115. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ACT.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, is amended—

(1) in section 8b(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 608b(b)(2)), by striking “(7 U.S.C. 1445c-2)” and inserting “(7 U.S.C. 1445c-3)”; and

(2) in section 8c(5)(B)(ii) (7 U.S.C. 608c(5)(B)(ii)), is amended by striking “and,” before clause (f) and inserting “, and”.

SEC. 116. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ACT OF 1938.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1281 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 319(l) (7 U.S.C. 1314e(l))—

(A) by inserting “in a State” after “one farm”;

(B) by striking “of Tennessee”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new sentence: “This subsection shall apply only to the States of Tennessee and Virginia.”;

(2) in section 374(a) (7 U.S.C. 1374(a))—

(A) by inserting after “30 inch rows” the following: “(or, at the option of those cotton producers who had an estab-

lished practice of using 32 inch rows before the 1991 crop, 32 inch rows)"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new sentence: "For the 1992 through 1995 crops, the rules establishing the requirements for eligibility for conserving use for payment acres shall be the same rules as were in effect for 1991 crops."; and

(3) in section 379(a) (7 U.S.C. 1379(a))—

(A) by striking "or" at the end of paragraph (4);

(B) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (5) and inserting "; or";

(C) by striking "; or" at the end of paragraph (6) and inserting a period; and

(D) by redesignating paragraph (7) as subsection (c), moving such subsection to appear after subsection (b), and conforming the left margin of such subsection to subsection (b).

SEC. 117. SECTION REDESIGNATION.

(a) **SECTION REDESIGNATION.**—Sections 359 and 359a of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359 and 1359a) are redesignated as sections 358d and 358e, respectively.

(b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS AS RESULT OF REDESIGNATIONS.**—

(1) **PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM.**—The Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1421 et seq.) is amended—

(A) in section 108A(3)(A) (7 U.S.C. 1445c-2(3)(A)), by striking "section 359" each place it appears and inserting "section 358d"; and

(B) in section 108B(c)(1) (7 U.S.C. 1445c-3(c)(1)), by striking "sections 359 and 359a" each place it appears and inserting "sections 358d and 358e".

(2) **MARKETING QUOTAS.**—The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1281 et seq.) is amended—

(A) in section 358(v)(3) (7 U.S.C. 1358(v)(3)), by striking "section 359(c)" and inserting "section 358d(c)";

(B) in section 358-1(e)(3) (7 U.S.C. 1358-1(e)(3)), by striking "section 359(c)" and inserting "section 358d(c)";

(C) in section 358d (7 U.S.C. 1359), as redesignated by subsection (a)—

(i) by striking "section 359(a)" in subsection (b) and inserting "subsection (a)"; and

(ii) by striking "section 108B" each place it appears in subsections (m)(1)(C), (p)(1), and (r)(2)(A) and inserting "section 108A"; and

(D) in section 358e(b)(1) (7 U.S.C. 1359a(b)(1)), as redesignated by subsection (a), by striking "section 359(c)" and inserting "section 358d(c)".

SEC. 118. OTHER MISCELLANEOUS COMMODITY AMENDMENTS.

(a) **MISSING LANGUAGE.**—Section 5(i)(3) of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c note) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1396d(5)))" and inserting "(42 U.S.C. 1396d(5)))".

(b) **MISSING LANGUAGE.**—Section 1001(2)(B)(iv) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308(2)(B)(iv)) is amended by inserting "section" before "107B(c)(1)".

(c) **EXTRA LANGUAGE.**—Section 1001A(a)(2) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308-1(a)(2)) is amended by striking "0 to".

(d) AMENDMENT TO FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ACT OF 1962.—Section 326 of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1962 (7 U.S.C. 1339a) is amended by adding at the end the following sentences: "The authority provided in this section shall be in addition to any other authority provided to the Secretary under any other Act. This section shall be applicable to an action taken by a representative of the Secretary that occurs before, on, or after November 28, 1990. This section shall not apply to a pattern of conduct where authorized representatives of the Secretary take actions or provide advice with respect to producers that the representatives and producers know are inconsistent with applicable laws and regulations."

(e) AMENDMENT TO THE FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990.—Section 102(b)(1)(B) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 1446e-1(b)(1)(B)) is amended by striking "Commodity Credit Corporation" and inserting "Secretary".

7 USC 1783. (f) CLARIFICATION OF AMENDMENT.—Section 704 of the National Wool Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1782) is amended by striking "SEC." and all that follows through "If payments" in the first sentence of subsection (a) and inserting the following:

"SEC. 704. PAYMENT AS MEANS OF PRICE SUPPORT.

"(a) USE OF PAYMENTS.—If payments"

SEC. 119. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING IMPORTED BARLEY AND OATS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) significant quantities of barley and oats are currently being imported into the United States from Norway, Sweden, and Finland origins, and there is reason to believe that such imports will continue in the future;

(2) such imported barley and oats are being purchased at a price artificially established at a level significantly below that of domestically produced barley and oats due to unfair and predatory export subsidies and schemes employed by the exporting countries of origin; and

(3) it is likely that the continued importation of such quantities of subsidized barley and oats will significantly and adversely affect producers of domestic barley and oats and impair the operations of existing farm commodity programs for barley and oats in the United States.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—Based on these findings, it is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Agriculture and the President of the United States should immediately and aggressively employ all available options under existing laws, including those under section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 624), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, in order to prevent material damage to the producers of domestic barley and oats and to prevent material interference with the programs established pursuant to section 105B of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1444f).

SEC. 120. COTTON CLASSING FEES.

(a) EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION.—The first sentence of section 3a of the Cotton Statistics and Estimates Act (7 U.S.C. 473a) is amended to read as follows: "Effective for each of fiscal years 1992 through 1996, the Secretary of Agriculture shall make cotton classi-

fication services available to producers of cotton and shall provide for the collection of classification fees from participating producers, or agents who voluntarily agree to collect and remit the fees on behalf of producers.”

(b) FEES.—The first proviso in the second sentence of section 3a of such Act is amended—

7 USC 473a.

(1) by striking clauses (1) and (2) and inserting the following new clauses: “(1) the uniform per bale classification fee to be collected from producers, or their agents, for the classification service in any year shall be the fee established in the previous year for the prevailing method of classification service, exclusive of adjustments to the fee made in the previous year under clauses (2), (3), and (4), and as may be adjusted by the percentage change in the implicit price deflator for the gross national product as indexed during the most recent 12-month period for which statistics are available; (2) the fee calculated in accordance with clause (1) for a crop year may be increased by an amount not to exceed 1 percent for every 100,000 running bales, or portion thereof, that the Secretary estimates will be classed by the United States Department of Agriculture in the crop year below the level of 12,500,000 running bales, or decreased by a quantity not to exceed 1 percent for every 100,000 running bales, or portion thereof, that the Secretary estimates will be classed by the United States Department of Agriculture in the crop year above the level of 12,500,000 running bales;”;

(2) by striking clause (7) and inserting the following new clause: “(7) the Secretary shall announce the uniform classification fee and any surcharge for the crop not later than June 1 of the year in which the fee applies.”

(c) CLARIFICATION OF SERVICES.—The third sentence of section 3a of such Act is amended to read as follows: “Classification services, other than the prevailing method, provided at the request of the producer shall not be subject to the restrictions specified in clauses (1), (2), and (3) of the preceding sentence.”

(d) REPEAL OF STUDY ON PROCESSING CERTAIN COTTON GRADES.—Section 3 of the Uniform Cotton Classing Fees Act of 1987 (7 U.S.C. 473a note) is repealed.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a), (b), and (c), and the amendments made by subsections (a), (b), and (c), shall be effective for the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on September 30, 1996.

Termination
date.
7 USC 473a note.

SEC. 121. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING TARGETED OPTION PAYMENTS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) thousands of agricultural producers are facing extremely difficult economic times and low commodity prices;

(2) the conditions on each farm are unique and require a unique plan to meet the income, conservation, and soil and weather conditions of the farm; and

(3) agricultural producers need the maximum possible flexibility to tailor the agricultural price support and production adjustment program to their farms' individual needs.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Agriculture should offer targeted option payments for each of the 1992 through 1995 crops of wheat, feed grains, upland cotton, and rice as authorized by sections 107B(e)(3), 105B(e)(3),

103B(e)(3), and 101B(e)(3) of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1445b-3a(e)(3), 1444f(e)(3), 1444-2(e)(3), and 1441-2(e)(3)), respectively.

SEC. 122. TRANSFER OF PEANUT QUOTA UNDERMARKETINGS.

Section 358b(a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1358b(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by inserting “(including any applicable under marketings)” after “any part of the poundage quota”; and

(B) by inserting “(including any applicable under marketings)” after “any such lease of poundage quota”;

(2) in the first sentence of paragraph (2), by striking “for the farm” and inserting “(including any applicable under marketings)”; and

(3) in paragraph (3), by inserting after “farm poundage quota” the following: “(including any applicable undermarketings)”.

SEC. 123. COTTON FUTURES CONTRACTS.

Subsection (c)(1) of the United States Cotton Futures Act (7 U.S.C. 15b(c)(1)) is amended by inserting before the period at the end the following: “, except that any cotton futures contract that, by its terms, is settled in cash is excluded from the coverage of this paragraph and Act”.

7 USC 1622 note.

SEC. 124. LAMB PRICE AND SUPPLY REPORTING SERVICES REPORT AND SYSTEM.

(a) **REPORT.**—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit a report to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate on measures that are necessary to improve the lamb price and supply reporting services of the Department of Agriculture, including recommendations to establish a complete information gathering system that reflects the market structure of the national lamb industry. In preparing the report, the Secretary shall examine measures to improve information on—

(1) price reporting series of wholesale, retail, box, carcass, pelt, offal, and live lamb sales in the United States, including markets in—

(A) California (including San Francisco);

(B) the East Coast region (including Washington, D.C.);

(C) the Midwest region (including Chicago, Illinois);

(D) Texas;

(E) the Rocky Mountain region; and

(F) Florida;

(2) sheep and lamb inventories, including on-feed reports;

(3) the price and supply relationships between retailers and breakers;

(4) the viability of voluntary or mandatory reporting for sheep prices; and

(5) information on the import and export of sheep, analyzed by cut, carcass, box, breeder stock, and sex.

(b) **PRICE DISCOVERY AND REPORTING SYSTEM.**—

(1) **SYSTEM REQUIRED.**—Based on the report required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(A) develop a price discovery system formula for the lamb market, such as carcass equivalent pricing; and

(B) establish a price discovery and reporting system for the lamb market to assist lamb producers to better allocate their resources and make informed production and marketing decisions.

(2) **IMPLEMENTATION.**—The price discovery and reporting system for the lamb market shall be implemented by the Secretary not later than 180 days after the date of the submission of the report.

(3) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to develop and establish the system required under this subsection.

(c) **CONSULTATION.**—In preparing the report required under subsection (a) and establishing the price discovery and reporting system required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall consult with lamb producers and other persons in the national lamb industry.

SEC. 125. COTTON FIRST HANDLER MARKETING CERTIFICATES.

Section 103B(a)(5)(B) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(a)(5)(B)) is amended—

(1) by inserting “or cash payments” after “marketing certificates” each place it appears in clauses (i) and (ii); and

(2) in clause (iii), by inserting “or cash payment” after “certificate”.

SEC. 126. PRODUCTION OF BLACK-EYED PEAS FOR DONATION.

(a) **50/92 PROGRAM FOR COTTON.**—Section 103B(c)(1)(D) (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(c)(1)(D)) is amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

“(ix) **BLACK-EYED PEAS FOR DONATION.**—The Secretary may permit, under such terms and conditions as will ensure optimum producer participation, all or any part of the acreage required to be devoted to conservation uses as a condition for qualifying for payments under this subparagraph to be devoted to the production of black-eyed peas if—

“(I) the producer agrees to donate the harvested peas from the acreage to a food bank, food pantry, or soup kitchen (as defined in paragraphs (3), (4), and (7) of section 110(b) of the Hunger Prevention Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 612c note)) that is approved by the Secretary; and

“(II) the Secretary finds that such action will not result in the disruption of normal channels of trade.”.

(b) **ACREAGE REDUCTION PROGRAM.**—Section 103B(e)(2) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1444-2(e)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(G) **BLACK-EYED PEAS FOR DONATION.**—The Secretary may permit, under such terms and conditions as will ensure optimum producer participation, producers on a farm to plant black-eyed peas on not more than one-half of the reduced acreage on the farm if—

“(i) the producer agrees to donate the harvested peas from such acreage to a food bank, food pantry, or soup kitchen (as defined in paragraphs (3), (4), and (7) of section 110(b) of the Hunger Prevention Act of 1988 (7

U.S.C. 612c note)) that is approved by the Secretary; and

“(ii) the Secretary finds that such action will not result in the disruption of normal channels of trade.”.

SEC. 127. MILK PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM LIMITED TO 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 204 (7 U.S.C. 1446e) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting “produced in the 48 contiguous States” after “the price of milk”;

(2) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting before the period the following: “produced in the 48 contiguous States”;

(3) in subsection (d)(5)(B), by striking “United States” both places it appears and inserting “48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia”; and

(4) in subsections (g)(1) and (h)(1), by striking “United States” each place it appears and inserting “48 contiguous States”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amendments made by this section shall take effect as of January 1, 1991.

7 USC 1446e
note.

7 USC 1446 note.

SEC. 128. MODIFICATION OF MILK PRODUCTION TERMINATION PROGRAM.

(a) CERTAIN TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED.—If the Secretary of Agriculture determines that a natural disaster renders unusable the land or milk production facilities of the producers on a farm, the Secretary shall allow the producers to transfer the production unit (including dairy animals and equipment) to a farm idled under the milk production termination program established under section 201(d)(3) of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1446(d)(3)), without penalty, if the producers on the farm agree to comply with all terms and conditions of the program contract for the remainder of the contract period.

(b) APPLICATION.—This section shall apply with respect to any natural disaster occurring during the period beginning on October 1, 1990, and ending on February 1, 1991.

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TITLE II—CONSERVATION

SEC. 201. AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990.

(a) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1451.—Section 1451 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5822) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1)(D), by striking “(e)” and inserting “(f)”;

(2) in subsection (d), by inserting “each of” before “the calendar”;

(3) in subsection (f)(5), by striking “assisting” and inserting “assist”; and

(4) in subsection (h)(7)(B)—

(A) in clause (i), by inserting before the period at the end of the first sentence the following: “, but only to the extent that such number exceeds the number of acres resulting from the reduction in payment acres under an amendment made by section 1101 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-508; 104 Stat. 1388-1)”; and

(B) in clause (ii), by striking “under” and all that follows through “Agricultural” and inserting “under section 101B(c)(1)(D), 103B(c)(1)(D), 105B(c)(1)(E), or 107B(c)(1)(E) of the Agricultural”.

(b) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1466.—Section 1466 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 4201 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c), by striking “Funds” and inserting “funds”; and

(2) in each of subsections (e) and (f), by striking “section (b)” and inserting “subsection (b)”.

(c) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1468(a)(2).—Section 1468(a)(2) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 4201 note) is amended by striking “Funds” and inserting “funds”.

(d) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1473(a).—Section 1473(a) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 5403(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “subparagraph (B)” and inserting “paragraph (2)”; and

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking “subparagraph (A)” and inserting “paragraph (1)”.

(e) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1483(c).—Section 1483(c) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 5503(c)) is amended by inserting “and” after “Animal”.

(f) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1485.—Section 1485 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 5505) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking “Administrator” both places it appears and inserting “Director”;

(2) in subsection (a)(3), by striking “Atmospheric Agency, the” and inserting “Atmospheric Administration, the”; and

(3) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “subsection (a)” and inserting “this subsection”.

(g) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1499.—Section 1499 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 5506) is amended—

(1) in the 4th sentence of subsection (a)—

(A) by inserting “Agricultural” before “Environmental”; and

(B) by striking “1612” and inserting “1472”;

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking “AFFECT” and inserting “EFFECT”; and

(B) by inserting “and section 1499A” after “subsection (a)”; and

(3) in subsection (c), by inserting “and” after “Animal”.

(h) NEW SECTION.—

(1) EDUCATION PROGRAM.—Such Act is amended by inserting after section 1499 (7 U.S.C. 5506) the following new section:

“SEC. 1499A. EDUCATION PROGRAM REGARDING HANDLING OF AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS AND AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL CONTAINERS.

“Subject to the availability of funds appropriated in advance, the Secretary of Agriculture shall direct the Extension Service to operate a program in each State to catalogue the Federal, State, and local laws and regulations that govern the handling of unused or unwanted agricultural chemicals and agricultural chemical containers in the State. The program established under this section shall make available to producers of agricultural commodities and the general public, and provide on request, educational materials developed or collected by the program.”.

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7 USC 3125c.

(2) The table of contents in section 1(b) of such Act (104 Stat. 3363) is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1499 the following new item:

"Sec. 1499A. Education program regarding handling of agricultural chemicals and agricultural chemical containers."

SEC. 202. AMENDMENT TO THE SOIL CONSERVATION AND DOMESTIC ALLOTMENT ACT.

The 14th sentence of the 5th undesignated paragraph of section 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) is amended by inserting ", except that, in the case of a person elected to be a national officer or State president of the National Association of Farmer Elected Committeemen, the limitation shall be four consecutive terms" before the period.

SEC. 203. FARMS FOR THE FUTURE.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Sections 1465 through 1469 of the Farms for the Future Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 4201 note) are amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 1465. SHORT TITLE, PURPOSE, AND DEFINITION.

"(a) SHORT TITLE.—This chapter may be cited as the 'Farms for the Future Act of 1990'.

"(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this chapter to promote a national farmland protection effort to preserve our vital farmland resources for future generations.

"(c) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this chapter:

"(1) ALLOWABLE INTEREST RATE.—The term 'allowable interest rate' refers to the interest rate that the State trust fund pays on each eligible loan (including the interest paid by the State trust fund, State, or State agency on bonds or other obligations described in paragraph (2)).

"(2) ELIGIBLE LOAN.—The term 'eligible loan' means each loan made by lending institutions to each State trust fund, or to the State acting in conjunction with the State trust fund, to further the purposes of this chapter, and the proceeds from any issuance of obligations, or other bonded indebtedness, of any eligible State, the State trust fund, or any agency of an eligible State, except that no eligible loan shall bear an interest rate in excess of 10 percent per year.

"(3) ELIGIBLE STATE.—The term 'eligible State' means—

"(A) the State of Vermont; and

"(B) at the option of the Secretary and subject to appropriations, any State that—

"(i) operates or administers a land preservation fund that invests funds in the protection or preservation of farmland for agricultural purposes; and

"(ii) works in coordination with the governing bodies of counties, towns, townships, villages, or other units of general government below the State level, or with private nonprofit or public organizations, to assist in the preservation of farmland for agricultural purposes.

"(4) LENDING INSTITUTION.—The term 'lending institution' means any Federal or State chartered bank, savings and loan association, cooperative lending agency, other legally organized lending agency, State government or agency, political subdivision of a State, or any nonprofit conservation organization.

“(5) PROGRAM.—The term ‘program’ means the farmland preservation program established under this chapter to be known as the ‘Agricultural Resource Conservation Demonstration Program’.

“(6) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of Agriculture.

“(7) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means any State of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the United States.

“(8) STATE TRUST FUND.—The term ‘State trust fund’ means any trust fund or an account established by an eligible State, or other public instrumentality of the eligible State, where such eligible State is approved to participate by the Secretary in the program under application procedures set forth in section 1466(j) or 1468.

“SEC. 1466. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.

Loans.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—

“(1) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall establish and implement a program, to be known as the ‘Agricultural Resource Conservation Demonstration Program’, to provide Federal guarantees and interest assistance for eligible loans described in section 1465(c)(2) made to, or issued for the benefit of, State trust funds.

“(2) ASSISTANCE.—Under the program the Secretary shall guarantee for a period of 10 years the timely payment of the principal amount and interest due on each eligible loan described in section 1465(c)(2) made to, or issued for the benefit of, State trust funds and shall for each such 10-year period subsidize the interest on such eligible loans at the allowable interest rate for the first 5 years after the loan is made, or issued, and at no less than 3 percentage points for the second 5 years under procedures described in subsection (b).

“(b) MANDATORY ASSISTANCE TO EACH STATE TRUST FUND.—The Secretary shall—

“(1) fully guarantee with the full faith and credit of the United States each eligible loan described in section 1465(c)(2) made to, or issued for the benefit of, each State trust fund under procedures established by the Secretary;

“(2) annually pay to each State trust fund an amount calculated by applying the allowable interest rate to the amount of each loan described in section 1465(c)(2) made to, or issued for the benefit of, each State trust fund during each of the first 5 years after the date on which each such loan was made or issued; and

“(3) annually pay to each State trust fund, for each year during the second 5-year period after each such eligible loan is made to, or issued for the benefit of, the State trust fund, an amount calculated by applying the interest rate difference, between the rate of interest charged to borrowers of direct loans as described in section 316(a)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1946(a)(2)) and the allowable interest rate, to the amount of each such loan made to, or issued for the benefit of, the State trust fund, as determined under procedures established by the Secretary.

“(c) FUNDING.—

“(1) ISSUANCE OF STOCK.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall make and issue stock, in the same manner as notes are issued

under section 309(c) or 309A(d) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1929(c) or 1929a(d)), to the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of obtaining funds from the Secretary of the Treasury that are necessary for discharging the obligations of the Secretary of Agriculture under this chapter. The stock shall not pay dividends and shall not be redeemable.

“(2) **PURCHASE OF STOCK.**—The Secretary of the Treasury shall provide the funding necessary to implement this chapter. The Secretary of the Treasury shall purchase any stock of the Secretary of Agriculture issued to implement this chapter. The Secretary of the Treasury shall use as a public debt transaction the proceeds from the sale of any securities issued under chapter 31 of title 31, United States Code. The purposes for which the securities may be issued under such chapter are extended to include the raising of funds to purchase stock issued by the Secretary of Agriculture to implement this chapter with respect to each eligible State. The Secretary of Agriculture shall make and issue such stock as is necessary to fund this chapter to the Secretary of the Treasury who shall promptly purchase the stock (within 60 days) being offered by the Secretary of Agriculture.

“(3) **COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION.**—If the Secretary of Agriculture fails to issue stock as required under this chapter, or if funding is otherwise not provided as set forth in this chapter, for the eligible State described in section 1465(c)(3)(A), notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Agriculture shall use the funds, services and facilities of the Commodity Credit Corporation to carry out the requirements of this chapter. The procedure described in paragraph (2) shall be used to reimburse the Corporation for funds expended to carry out this paragraph.

“(d) **REQUIRED PURCHASES OF STOCK.**—The Secretary shall promptly notify the Secretary of the Treasury, in writing, each time an application of an eligible State is approved by the Secretary under this chapter. The Secretary of the Treasury shall promptly purchase stock (within 60 days) offered by the Secretary under subsection (c) and the Secretary of Agriculture shall deposit the proceeds from each such sale of stock in accounts created to administer the program.

“(e) **ENTITLEMENTS.**—The Secretary is entitled to receive funds, and shall receive funds, from the Secretary of the Treasury in an amount equal to the total par-value of the stock issued to the Secretary of the Treasury. Each State trust fund is entitled to receive, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall promptly pay to each such trust fund, amounts calculated under procedures described in subsection (b).

“(f) **REGULATIONS.**—Except regarding the eligible State described in section 1465(c)(3)(A), the Secretary shall promulgate proposed and final regulations, under the prior public comment provisions of section 553 of title 5, United States Code, setting forth—

“(1) the application procedures for eligible States;

“(2) the factors to be used in approving applicants;

“(3) procedures for the prompt payment of the obligations of the Secretary under subsection (b);

“(4) recordkeeping requirements for approved State trust funds;

“(5) requirements to prevent program abuse and procedures to recover improperly obtained funds;

“(6) rules permitting State trust funds to act as revolving funds or to otherwise accumulate additional capital, based on investments, to be subsequently used to promote the purposes of this chapter; and

“(7) any other rules necessary and appropriate to carry out the program.

“(g) DURATION OF PROGRAM.—The program established under this chapter shall expire on September 30, 1996, except that any financial obligations of the Secretary shall continue to be met as required by this chapter.

“(h) ELIGIBLE USES FOR GUARANTEED LOAN FUNDS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Funds from eligible loans (including proceeds from the sale of bonds or other obligations described in section 1465(c)(2)) guaranteed under this chapter, and any earnings of the State trust funds, may be used—

“(A) to purchase development rights, conservation easements or other types of easements, or to purchase agricultural land in fee simple or some lesser estate in land;

“(B) to pay all reasonable and customary costs including appraisal, survey and engineering fees, and legal expenses;

“(C) to pay the costs of enforcing easements or land use restrictions;

“(D) to cover the costs of complying with any regulations issued by the Secretary under this program and the costs of implementing the farmland plan of operation, except that the guaranteed loan proceeds shall not be used to pay overhead expenses of the State trust fund (rent, utilities, salaries, wages, insurance premiums, and the like); and

“(E) to generate earnings (including through investments not exceeding 10 years in duration for each eligible loan), to be used for future farmland preservation efforts, through investments in direct obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States or an agency thereof or by depositing funds in any member bank of the Federal Reserve System or any federally insured State nonmember bank.

“(2) COLLATERAL FOR LOANS.—To the extent consistent with relevant banking laws and practices, the investments or deposits described in paragraph (1)(E) may serve as collateral for loans made to, or on behalf of, the State trust fund.

“(i) STATE USE OF GUARANTEED LOAN FUNDS.—The Secretary may issue regulations or procedures requiring each State trust fund to report to the Secretary regarding the uses of the eligible loans (described in section 1465(c)(2)) guaranteed by the Secretary and the Secretary may monitor the uses of the funds to ensure that the loans are used for purposes related to this chapter. Neither the Secretary or the lending institution shall have the power to require approval of each specific use of the loans guaranteed by the Secretary, the specific terms of each use of the loan funds, or the specific provisions of each purchase or investment made with loans guaranteed by the Secretary. The Secretary may require that each State trust fund provide a State farmland preservation plan of operation to the Secretary setting forth the plans for administering the program in the State and may require each State trust fund to

periodically report to the Secretary on the purchases of interests in farmland and on other specific uses of the funds.

"(j) SPECIAL RULES FOR THE PILOT PROJECT STATE.—Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the following special rules shall apply to the eligible State described in section 1465(c)(3)(A):

"(1) PROVISION OF LOAN GUARANTEE AND INTEREST ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT.—Within 30 days of the date any State trust fund in the eligible State receives a commitment for each eligible loan from a lending institution, the Secretary shall provide the lending institution with the loan guarantee and the interest assistance agreement so that the lending institution may disburse the full amount of the loan proceeds to the State trust fund on the date of loan closing to carry out this program. After the loan closing, the lending institution shall have no obligation to monitor or approve the use of loan proceeds by the State trust fund.

"(2) APPROVAL OF APPLICATION.—The Secretary shall annually approve the completed application from the eligible State within 30 days after receipt if the application sets forth the general goals and policies of the State trust fund. The Secretary shall provide the Federal assistance required under this chapter beginning on the date the application or plan is approved.

"(3) AMOUNT OF GUARANTEES.—The Secretary shall calculate the total amount of guarantees to be provided for fiscal year 1992 in an amount equal to double the sum of—

"(A) the amount that was made available in fiscal year 1991 to the State trust fund (the Vermont Conservation and Housing Board regardless of whether the fund had been approved by the Secretary in fiscal year 1991), by the State described in section 1465(c)(3)(A), political subdivisions thereof, charitable organizations, private persons, or any other entity, in addition to the proceeds from the sale of obligations of the State related to the purposes of the State trust fund and the fair market value of donations of interests in land to the State trust fund; and

"(B) the matching contribution calculated under section 1468(c) for fiscal year 1992 for the State.

"(k) MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.—

"(1) OPERATION.—Each State trust fund may operate through nonprofit corporations, municipalities, or other political subdivisions of States in carrying out the purposes of the program established in this chapter.

"(2) EARNINGS.—Earnings on funds of each State trust fund may be used for any purposes related to carrying out the operations of the trust fund in a manner not inconsistent with the requirements of this chapter or the farmland preservation plan.

"SEC. 1467. FEDERAL ACCOUNTS AND COMPLIANCE.

"(a) ACCOUNTS.—To carry out the purposes of this chapter, the Secretary may establish in the Treasury of the United States an account, to be known as the 'Agricultural Resource Conservation Revolving Fund' (hereafter referred to in this chapter as the 'Fund'), for the use by the Secretary to meet the obligations of the Secretary under this chapter.

"(b) COMPLIANCE.—If the Secretary determines that any State trust fund is failing to comply, to a significant degree, with any

requirements of this chapter, the Secretary shall report the failure to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate, shall fully investigate the matter, may decline to provide additional Federal guarantees or interest subsidies to the State trust fund, and shall take other steps as may be appropriate to prevent the use of Federal assistance in a manner not consistent with this chapter.

"SEC. 1468. APPLICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION.

"(a) APPLICATIONS.—In applying for assistance under this chapter an eligible State described in section 1465(c)(3)(B) shall—

"(1) prepare and submit, to the Secretary, an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary shall require;

"(2) agree that the State trust fund will use any funds provided, or guaranteed, by the Secretary under this chapter in a manner that is consistent with the chapter and the regulations promulgated by the Secretary; and

"(3) agree to comply with any other requirements set forth in agreements with the Secretary or as the Secretary may prescribe by regulation.

"(b) ANNUAL APPLICATIONS.—Eligible States described in section 1465(c)(3)(B) may apply for Federal assistance under this chapter on an annual basis. The Secretary shall approve or disapprove each application for assistance, and notify the applicant of the action not later than 30 days after receipt of a complete application.

"(c) MATCH AND MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—

"(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The total amount of any guarantees provided by the Secretary under this program for each eligible State shall equal an amount that is equal to double the amount that is, or shall be, made available to the trust fund (including matching funds described in paragraphs (2) through (4)) in each such eligible State by the State, political subdivisions thereof, charitable organizations, private persons, or any other entity, for acquiring interests in land to protect and preserve important farmlands for future agricultural use but in no event shall the total Federal share exceed \$10,000,000 in any fiscal year for any given State.

"(2) **EARNINGS.**—Earnings of the State trust fund and funds expended by the State or the State trust fund prior to loan closing for purposes consistent with this chapter, and in the same fiscal year, may be considered as matching funds.

"(3) **OBLIGATIONS.**—Proceeds from the sale of tax-exempt general obligation bonds, or other obligations, of the State or State trust fund shall be an allowable source of matching funds under this chapter for the same fiscal year.

"(4) **LAND.**—The fair market value of any donation of an interest in land to the State trust fund, or a charitable organization working with the State trust fund, may be considered as matching funds, for the same fiscal year, if—

"(i) the fair market value is based on an appraisal determined to be adequate by the State trust fund; and

"(ii) the donation is consistent with the State farmland preservation plan,

except that the value of land donated to charitable organizations by the State trust fund shall not be included as part of the match.

“(d) CLARIFICATION OF FEDERAL LAW.—Sellers of land, or of interests in land, to any State trust fund are not, and shall not be considered by the Secretary as, recipients or beneficiaries of Federal assistance.

“SEC. 1469. REPORT.

“Not later than September 30, 1992, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Agriculture shall prepare and submit, to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate, a report concerning the operation of the program established under this chapter.”.

(b) REGULATIONS.—Section 1470 of the Farms for the Future Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 4201 note) is amended—

(1) by striking “This” and inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—This”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than December 31, 1991, the Secretary of Agriculture shall publish in the Federal Register interim final regulations to implement this chapter. The regulations shall not require each State’s program to give a priority to the acquisition of land, or interests in land, that is subject to significant urban pressure.”.

(c) REPORTS; STOCK ISSUANCE.—Such Act is amended by adding at the end the following new sections:

7 USC 4201 note. “SEC. 1470A. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORTS.

“On February 15 of 1992, and on December 1 of each of the years 1992 through 1996, the Comptroller General of the United States shall report to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate, on whether the Secretary of Agriculture is complying with the requirements of this chapter. The report shall include information concerning loans guaranteed under this chapter and the steps the Secretary of Agriculture has taken to comply with this chapter.

7 USC 4201 note. “SEC. 1470B. SPECIAL RULES FOR ISSUANCE OF STOCK FOR 1992.

“The Secretary shall issue the stock required to be issued to the Secretary of Treasury under this chapter with respect to the eligible State described in section 1465(c)(3)(A), for fiscal year 1992, on or before December 20, 1991.”.

SEC. 204. AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD SECURITY ACT OF 1985.

Title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 1211 (16 U.S.C. 3811)—

(A) in paragraph (1)(D), by striking “(16 U.S.C. 1421 note)” and inserting “(7 U.S.C. 1421 note)”;

(B) in paragraph (3)(D), by inserting “of subtitle D” after “chapter 2”; and

(C) in paragraph (3)(E), by inserting “of subtitle D” after “chapter 3”;

(2) in section 1212 (16 U.S.C. 3812)—

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- (A) in subsection (f)(4)(A), by striking “such violations” and inserting “such violation”; and
- (B) in subsection (g)(2), by striking “XIII,” and inserting “XIII”;
- (3) in section 1221(1)(D) (16 U.S.C. 3821(1)(D)), by striking “(16 U.S.C. 1421 note)” and inserting “(7 U.S.C. 1421 note)”;
- (4) in section 1223 (16 U.S.C. 3823), by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (3);
- (5) in section 1232(a) (16 U.S.C. 3832(a))—
 - (A) by striking the extra semicolon at the end of paragraph (6); and
 - (B) in paragraph (7)—
 - (i) by striking “fall and winter”; and
 - (ii) by striking “for an applicable reduction in rental payment” and inserting “and occurs during the 7-month period in which grazing of conserving use acreage is allowed in a State under the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1421 et seq.) or after the producer harvests the grain crop of the surrounding field for a reduction in rental payment commensurate with the limited economic value of such incidental grazing”.
- (6) in section 1237(d) (16 U.S.C. 3837(d)), by striking “subsection (d)” and inserting “subsection (c)”;
- (7) in section 1239(b)(1)(A) (16 U.S.C. 3839(b)(1)(A)), by striking “corridors,” and inserting “corridors;”; and
- (8) in section 1247(b) (16 U.S.C. 3847(b)), by striking “subsection 1234(b)” and inserting “section 1234(b)”.

TITLE III—AGRICULTURAL TRADE

SEC. 301. SUPERFLUOUS PUNCTUATION IN FARMER TO FARMER PROVISIONS.

Section 501(a)(3) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1737(a)(3)) is amended by striking the comma after “public”.

SEC. 302. PUNCTUATION CORRECTION IN ENTERPRISE FOR THE AMERICAS INITIATIVE.

Section 603(a)(3) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738b(a)(3)) is amended by inserting a hyphen between “Inter” and “American”.

SEC. 303. SPELLING CORRECTION IN SECTION 604.

Section 604(a)(2) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738c(a)(2)) is amended by striking “AVALIABILITY” and inserting “AVAILABILITY”.

SEC. 304. MISSING WORD IN SECTION 606.

Section 606(c) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738e(c)) is amended by inserting “accounts” after “Corporation”.

SEC. 305. PUNCTUATION ERROR IN SECTION 607.

Section 607(a) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738f(a)) is amended by striking the

quotation mark before “Fund” and inserting it after “Fund” the last place it appears.

SEC. 306. TYPOGRAPHICAL CORRECTION IN SECTION 612.

Section 612(a)(1) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738k(a)(1)) is amended by striking “462, and—” and inserting “2281 et seq.”.

SEC. 307. ERRONEOUS QUOTATION.

7 USC 1736bb-6. Section 1515(b) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 is amended by striking “title I and” and inserting “titles I and”.

SEC. 308. PUNCTUATION CORRECTION.

Section 103(d)(2) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5603(d)(2)) is amended by inserting a close parenthesis mark before the final period.

SEC. 309. DATE CORRECTION.

Section 203(g)(3) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5623(g)(3)) is amended by striking “the date of enactment of this Act” and inserting “November 28, 1990”.

SEC. 310. MISSING SUBTITLE HEADING CORRECTION.

Title II of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 is amended by inserting after the title heading the following:

“Subtitle A—Programs”.

SEC. 311. REDESIGNATION OF SUBSECTION.

Section 301 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5651) is amended by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (f).

SEC. 312. DATE CORRECTION TO SECTION 404.

Section 404 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5664) is amended by striking out “the date of enactment of this Act” and inserting “November 28, 1990”.

SEC. 313. DATE CORRECTION TO SECTION 416.

Section 416(e) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5676(e)) is amended by striking out “the effective date of this section” and inserting “November 28, 1990”.

SEC. 314. REDESIGNATION OF SECTION.

The Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 is amended by redesignating section 506 (7 U.S.C. 5695) as section 505.

SEC. 315. CROSS REFERENCE CORRECTION.

Section 601 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5711) is amended by striking “section 104” each place it appears and inserting “section 103”.

SEC. 316. PLACEMENT CLARIFICATION.

7 USC 1748, 1749. Section 1532 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 is amended by striking “thereof” and inserting “of title I”.

SEC. 317. PUNCTUATION CORRECTION.

Section 108(b) of the Agricultural Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1748) is amended by striking the period at the end of paragraph (1)(B) and inserting a semicolon.

SEC. 318. ELIMINATION OF OBSOLETE CROSS REFERENCE.

Section 108(b)(4) of the Agricultural Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1748(b)(4)) is amended by striking "the trade assistance office" and all that follows through "section 201,".

SEC. 319. CROSS REFERENCE CORRECTION.

Section 407(c) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736a(c)) is amended by inserting "title I of" before "this Act" each place it appears in paragraphs (2)(B) and (3).

SEC. 320. CORRECTING CLERICAL ERRORS IN SECTION 204 OF THE AGRICULTURAL TRADE ACT OF 1978.

Section 204(d) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5624) is amended—

- (1) by striking "AGENCY OR PRIVATE PARTIES" in the heading and inserting "AGENCIES"; and
- (2) by striking "government" and inserting "Government".

SEC. 321. CAPITALIZATION CORRECTION.

Section 403(i)(2)(C) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1733(i)(2)(C)) is amended by striking "Committees" and inserting "committees".

SEC. 322. CORRECTION OF ERROR IN DATE.

Sections 409, 410(a), 410(b), 410(c), and 411(e) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736c, 1736d(a), 1736d(b), 1736d(c), and 1736e(e)) are each amended by striking "the date of enactment of this Act" and inserting "November 28, 1990".

SEC. 323. CORRECTION OF TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR.

Section 406(b)(5)(D) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736(b)(5)(D)) is amended by striking "items" and inserting "time".

SEC. 324. CROSS REFERENCE CORRECTION.

Section 407(c)(1)(A) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736a(c)(1)(A)) is amended by striking "this section" and inserting "title I".

SEC. 325. ELIMINATION OF SUPERFLUOUS WORD.

Section 407(c)(1)(C) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736a(c)(1)(C)) is amended by striking "other".

SEC. 326. CROSS REFERENCE CORRECTION.

Section 411(a) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736e(a)) is amended by striking "this title" and inserting "title I".

SEC. 327. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 602.

Section 602(a) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5712(a)) is amended—

- (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “designate as produced” and inserting “designate produced”; and
- (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “in accordance with subsection (c)”.

SEC. 328. SECTION 407 CORRECTIONS.

(a) **SUBSECTION (c)(4).**—Section 407(c)(4) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736a(c)(4)) is amended—

- (1) by inserting “provides or” after “in which such person”; and

(2) by striking “if the person is” and inserting “of a person”.

(b) **ELIMINATION OF WORD.**—Section 407(d)(3) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 is amended by striking “other”.

SEC. 329. SECTION 407(b) AMENDMENT.

Section 407(b)(1) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736a(b)(1)) is amended by striking “or agricultural commodity donated”.

SEC. 330. SUPPLEMENTAL VIEWS IN ANNUAL REPORT.

Section 614 of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738m) is amended—

- (1) by striking “Not later” and inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) **SUPPLEMENTAL VIEWS IN ANNUAL REPORT.**—No later than December 15 of each fiscal year, each member of the Board shall be entitled to receive a copy of the report required under subsection (a). Each member of the Board may prepare and submit supplemental views to the President on the implementation of this title by December 31 for inclusion in the annual report when it is transmitted to Congress pursuant to this section.”.

SEC. 331. CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESS.

The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 is amended by inserting after section 614 (7 U.S.C. 1738m) the following:

“SEC. 615. CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESS.

“The President shall consult with the appropriate congressional committees on a periodic basis to review the operation of the Facility under this title and the eligibility of countries for benefits from the Facility under this title.”.

SEC. 332. STATUTE DESIGNATION.

Section 407(d)(4) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736a(d)(4)) is amended by striking “the Federal Property Act of 1949, as amended,” and inserting “the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 471 et seq.)”.

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SEC. 333. CORRECTION OF PLACEMENT AND INDENTATION OF SUBPARAGRAPH.

Subparagraph (B) of section 1514(5) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 3663), is amended to read as follows: 7 USC 1431.

“(B) by inserting after subparagraph (E) the following new subparagraph:

“(F) The provisions of sections 403(i) and 407(c) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 shall apply to donations, sales and barter of eligible commodities under this subsection.”

SEC. 334. EXPORT CREDIT GUARANTEE PROGRAM.

Section 202(i) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5622(i)) is amended by striking “or proceeds payable under a credit guarantee issued by the Commodity Credit Corporation under this section if it is determined by the Corporation that” and inserting “issued by the Commodity Credit Corporation under this section if it is determined by the Corporation, at the time of the assignment, that”.

SEC. 335. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD FOR PROGRESS PROGRAM.

The Food for Progress Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1736o) is amended—

(1) in subsection (l), by striking “September 30,” where it appears immediately before “December 31”;

(2) in subsection (m), by striking “this Act” each place it appears and inserting “this section”; and

(3) by redesignating subsections (l) and (m) (as amended by paragraphs (1) and (2)) as subsections (k) and (l), respectively.

SEC. 336. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENT TO THE AGRICULTURAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1954.

The first sentence of section 411(b) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736e) is amended by inserting before the period at the end the following: “at least 10 days prior to providing the debt relief”.

SEC. 337. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

Section 214 of the Tobacco Adjustment Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 509(f)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (c) through (f) as subsections (d) through (g), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the following new subsection:

“(c) EXCEPTIONS.—The reporting and recordkeeping requirements of this section shall not apply with respect to cigars, cigar tobaccos, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco in retail packaging, and snuff in retail packaging. In order to qualify for the exception under this subsection, the tobacco must have a certification that its end use is for cigars, cigar tobacco, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco in retail packaging, or snuff in retail packaging.”

SEC. 338. SHARING UNITED STATES AGRICULTURAL EXPERTISE AND INFORMATION.

Section 1542(d) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5622 note) is amended—

(1) by striking the subsection heading and inserting the following:

Establishment.

"(d) E (KIKI) DE LA GARZA AGRICULTURAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Agriculture (hereafter in this section referred to as the 'Secretary') shall establish a program, to be known as the 'E (Kika) de la Garza Agricultural Fellowship Program', to develop agricultural markets in emerging democracies and to promote cooperation and exchange of information between agricultural institutions and agribusinesses in the United States and the Soviet Union, as follows:

"(1) DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS.—";

(2) in paragraph (1), by indenting 2 ems the left margin of subparagraphs (A) and (B) and redesignating such subparagraphs as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively;

(3) in paragraph (2), by indenting 2 ems the left margin of subparagraphs (A) and (B) and redesignating such subparagraphs as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively;

(4) by indenting 2 ems the left margin of paragraphs (1) through (9) and redesignating such paragraphs as subparagraphs (A) through (I), respectively;

(5) by striking "subsection" each place it appears and inserting "paragraph";

(6) by striking "paragraph (1)" each place it appears and inserting "subparagraph (A)";

(7) by striking "paragraph (2)(A)" each place it appears and inserting "subparagraph (B)";

(8) by striking "paragraph (2)(B)" each place it appears and inserting "subparagraph (B)";

(9) in paragraph (1)(B) (as so redesignated)—

(A) by striking "and" at the end of clause (i);

(B) by striking the period at the end of clause (ii) and inserting "; and"; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new clause:

"(iii) by providing for necessary subsistence expenses in emerging democracies and necessary transportation expenses of United States agricultural producers and other individuals knowledgeable in agricultural and agribusiness matters to assist in transferring their knowledge and expertise to entities in emerging democracies.";

(10) in paragraph (1)(I) (as so redesignated), by striking "\$5,000,000" and inserting "\$10,000,000"; and

(11) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(2) AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION PROGRAM.—

"(A) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish a program, administered to complement the emerging democracies export promotion program developed under this section, to initiate and develop collaboration between the United States Department of Agriculture, United States agribusinesses, and appropriate agricultural institutions in the Soviet Union in order to promote the exchange of information and resources that will make a long-term contribution to the establishment of a free market food production and distribution system in the Soviet Union and the enhancement of agricultural trade with the United States.

“(B) **IMPLEMENTATION.**—The Secretary shall draw on the Department of Agriculture’s experience to design, implement, and evaluate, on a cost-sharing basis with cooperating agricultural institutions, a program to—

“(i) compile, through contacts with the Government of the Soviet Union and private sector officials in the Soviet Union, a list of their agricultural institutions, including the location, capabilities, and needs of the institutions;

“(ii) make such information available through an appropriate agency of the Department of Agriculture to agribusinesses and agricultural institutions in the United States and other agencies of the United States Government; and

“(iii) carry out a program—

“(I) to review available agricultural information resources, to determine which would be useful for the purposes of this program;

“(II) to arrange for the exchange of persons associated with such agricultural institutions and agribusinesses with experience or interest in the areas of need identified in clause (i); and

“(III) to help establish contacts between agricultural entrepreneurs and businesses in the United States and the Soviet Union, which may include individuals and entities participating in the program established under paragraph (1), to facilitate cooperation and joint enterprises.

“(C) **CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION.**—The Secretary shall consult and coordinate with the Secretary of State and the Agency for International Development in the formulation and implementation of this program in conjunction with overall assistance to the Soviet Union.

“(D) **DEFINITION.**—For the purposes of this subsection, the term ‘Soviet Union’ means the Soviet Union, its successor entities, or any of the individual republics of the Soviet Union.

“(E) **AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the program established under this paragraph.”.

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SEC. 339. CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE AMERICAS BOARD.

Section 610(b)(1) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738i(b)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)—

(A) by striking “five” and inserting “six”; and

(B) by inserting “, at least one of whom shall be a representative of the Department of Agriculture” after “Government”; and

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “four” and inserting “five”.

TITLE IV—RESEARCH

SEC. 401. COMPETITIVE, SPECIAL, AND FACILITIES RESEARCH GRANTS.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—Subsection (a) of section 2 of Public Law 89-106 (7 U.S.C. 450i) is amended—

- (1) by inserting “(1)” before “In order”; and
- (2) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(2) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the ‘Competitive, Special, and Facilities Research Grant Act’.”

(b) **OTHER AMENDMENTS.**—Such section is further amended—

- (1) in subsection (b)(10), by striking “and” after “1993,”;
- (2) in subsection (e)—

(A) by striking “RECORD KEEPING.—” and inserting “INTER-REGIONAL RESEARCH PROJECT NUMBER 4.—”;

(B) in paragraphs (1) and (7), by striking “this section” and inserting “this subsection”;

(C) in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (5)(C), and (6)(A), by striking “IR-4 program” and inserting “IR-4 Program”;

(D) in paragraph (5)(B)—

(i) by striking “registration,” and inserting “registrations,”; and

(ii) by inserting “and” at the end of the subparagraph; and

(E) in paragraph (6)—

(i) by striking “within one year of the date of the enactment of this paragraph” and inserting “not later than November 28, 1991,”; and

(ii) by inserting a comma after “reregistrations” in the first sentence;

(3) in subsection (f), by striking “LIMITS ON OVERHEAD COSTS.—” and inserting “RECORD KEEPING.—”;

(4) in subsection (g), by striking “AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—” and inserting “LIMITS ON OVERHEAD COSTS.—”;

(5) in subsection (h)—

(A) by striking “RULES.—” and inserting “AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—”;

(B) by striking “subsection (b) of this section” and inserting “subsections (b) and (e)”;

(C) by striking “the provisions of”;

(6) in subsection (i)—

(A) by striking “APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS.—” and inserting “RULES.—”;

(B) by striking “is authorized to” and inserting “may”; and

(C) by striking “the provisions of”;

(7) in subsection (j) (as redesignated by section 1497(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 3630)), by inserting “APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS.—” after “(j)”;

(8) by redesignating subsections (j), (k), and (l) (as inserted by section 1615(b) of such Act (104 Stat. 3731)) as subsections (k), (l), and (m), respectively.

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SEC. 402. NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, EXTENSION, AND TEACHING POLICY ACT OF 1977.

The National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.) is amended—

- (1) in section 1407(e) (7 U.S.C. 3122(e)) by striking the semicolon at the end of paragraph (7) and inserting a period;
- (2) in section 1408 (7 U.S.C. 3123)—
 - (A) in subsection (e), by striking “government” and inserting “Government”; and
 - (B) in subsection (g)(1), by striking “Federally” and inserting “federally”;
- (3) in sections 1404(18) and 1408A(a) (7 U.S.C. 3103(18) and 3123a(a)), by inserting “and” after “Science”;
- (4) in section 1408A(c)(2)(H) (7 U.S.C. 3123a(c)(2)(H)), by striking “farmerworkers” and inserting “farmworkers”;
- (5) in section 1412 (7 U.S.C. 3127), by striking “and Advisory Board” in subsections (b) and (c) and inserting “, Advisory Board, and Technology Board”;
- (6) in section 1417(i) (7 U.S.C. 3152(c)), by striking the second sentence;
- (7) in section 1419(b) (7 U.S.C. 3154(b)), by striking “subsection (c)” and inserting “subsection (d)”;
- (8) in section 1432 (7 U.S.C. 3194), by striking “SEC. 1432. (a)”;
- (9) in section 1446(d)(2) (7 U.S.C. 3222a(d)(2)), by striking “the needs identified” and inserting “the purposes identified”;
- (10) in section 1446(e) (7 U.S.C. 3222a(e)), by striking “objective or” and inserting “objective of”;
- (11) in section 1458(a) (7 U.S.C. 3291(a)), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting a semicolon;
- (12) in section 1463(a) (7 U.S.C. 3311), by striking “subtitle H and”;
- (13) in section 1473 (7 U.S.C. 3319), by striking “subsection (c)(2)” and inserting “subsection (c)(1)(B)”;
- (14) by repealing section 1473E (7 U.S.C. 3319e).

SEC. 403. RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL FARM RESEARCH AND EDUCATION.

(a) **PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED.**—Section 502 of the Rural Development Act of 1972 (7 U.S.C. 2662) is amended—

- (1) in subsection (f)—
 - (A) by striking the subsection heading and inserting “COMPETITIVE GRANTS FOR FINANCIALLY STRESSED FARMERS, DISLOCATED FARMERS, AND RURAL FAMILIES.—”; and
 - (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on” and inserting “until”; and
- (2) in the subsections following subsection (g)—
 - (A) by striking “(b) RURAL DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION” and inserting “(h) RURAL DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION”;
 - (B) by striking “(h) RURAL HEALTH” and inserting “(i) RURAL HEALTH”;
 - (C) by striking “(h) RESEARCH GRANTS.—” and inserting “(j) RESEARCH GRANTS.—”; and
 - (D) by arranging such subsections to appear in the proper order.

(b) **DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.**—Section 503(c)(1) of that Act (7 U.S.C. 2663(c)(1)) is amended—

- (1) by striking “the provisions of section 502(e) of this title” and inserting “subsections (e) and (i) of section 502”; and
- (2) by striking “objectives of section 502(e) of this title” and inserting “objectives of those subsections”.

SEC. 404. NATIONAL GENETIC RESOURCES PROGRAM.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subtitle C of title XVI of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3744) is amended—

- (1) in the subtitle heading, by striking “Genetics” and inserting “Genetic”; and
- (2) in section 1633(a) (7 U.S.C. 5842(a)), by striking “Resources program” and inserting “Resources Program”.

(b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The item relating to such subtitle in section 1(b) of such Act (104 Stat. 3365) is amended to read as follows:

“Subtitle C—National Genetic Resources Program”.

SEC. 405. ALTERNATIVE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND COMMERCIALIZATION.

(a) **PUNCTUATION CORRECTION.**—Section 1658(d) of the Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5902(d)) is amended—

- (1) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting “; and”; and
- (2) by striking “; and” at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting a period.

(b) **ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL CENTERS.**—Section 1663(a)(2) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 5907(a)(2)) is amended by striking “A Regional Center may not be established or operated” and inserting “No Regional Centers may be established”.

SEC. 406. DEER TICK RESEARCH.

Section 1672 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5925) is amended—

- (1) in subsection (i), by striking “Agricultural Research Service” and inserting “Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Cooperative State Research Service, to make competitive grants”; and
- (2) in subsection (k)(1), by striking “Except for research funded under subsection (i), research” and inserting “Research”.

SEC. 407. MISCELLANEOUS RESEARCH PROVISIONS.

Title XVI of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3703) is amended—

- (1) in section 1604(a) (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3706), by striking “(7 U.S.C. 3122(a))” and inserting “(7 U.S.C. 3122)”.
- (2) in section 1619(b)(8) (7 U.S.C. 5801(b)(8)), by striking “Marianas Islands” and inserting “Mariana Islands”;
- (3) in section 1628(c) (7 U.S.C. 5831(c)), by striking “education” and inserting “educational”;
- (4) in section 1629(c)(1) (7 U.S.C. 5832(c)(1)), by striking “insure” and inserting “ensure”;
- (5) in section 1634(l) (7 U.S.C. 5843(l)), by striking “committee established” and inserting “council established”;

(6) in section 1638(b)(5) (7 U.S.C. 5852(b)(5)), by striking “National Sciences Foundation” and inserting “National Science Foundation”;

(7) in section 1639(a) (7 U.S.C. 5853(a)), by striking “Act” and inserting “subtitle”;

(8) in section 1652(b)(1) (7 U.S.C. 5883(b)(1)), by striking “pheromones” and inserting “pheromones”;

(9) in section 1668(g)(2) (7 U.S.C. 5921(g)(2)), by striking “WITHOLDINGS” and inserting “WITHOLDINGS”;

(10) in section 1670(d) (7 U.S.C. 5923(d)), by striking “aquaculture” and inserting “aquaculture”;

(11) in section 1672(c) (7 U.S.C. 5925(c)), by redesignating paragraphs (A) through (I) as paragraphs (1) through (9), respectively;

(12) in section 1673(f) (7 U.S.C. 5926(f)), by striking “programs or” and inserting “programs of”;

(13) in section 1674 (7 U.S.C. 5927)—

(A) in subsection (d)(3)(A), by striking “Schedules” and inserting “Schedule”; and

(B) in subsection (f), by striking “Committee” both places it appears and inserting “Committees”;

(14) in section 1675(c) (7 U.S.C. 5928(c))—

(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following new paragraph:

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Notwithstanding subsection (g)(1), the Secretary shall establish not more than four centers.”; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “PERIODS AND PREFERENCES.—Grants” and inserting the following: “OPERATING GRANTS.—The Secretary shall make grants to operate the centers established under paragraph (1). Such grants shall be competitively awarded based on merit and relevance in reference to meeting the purposes specified in subsection (a). Such grants”;

(15) in section 1677 (7 U.S.C. 5930)—

(A) by striking “Reservation” each place it appears in subsections (a), (b), and (e) and inserting “reservation”;

(B) by striking “Reservations” both places it appears in subsection (a) and inserting “reservations”; and

(C) by striking “Tribal” in subsection (c) and inserting “tribal”;

(16) in section 1678(d) (7 U.S.C. 5931(d)), by striking “Teaching, and Extension” and inserting “Extension, and Teaching”; and

(17) in section 1681(a)(2) (7 U.S.C. 5934(a)(2)), by striking “teacheal mite” and inserting “tracheal mite”.

SEC. 408. SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION.

Section 1624 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5814) is amended by striking “and 1623” and inserting “and 1622”.

TITLE V—CREDIT

SEC. 501. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT.

(a) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 304.—Section 304 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1924) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (a); and

(2) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (a) and moving such subsection to appear before subsection (b).

(b) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 312(a).—Section 312(a) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1942(a)) is amended by striking “systems,” and all that follows and inserting “systems (for purposes of this subtitle, the term ‘solar energy’ means energy derived from sources (other than fossil fuels) and technologies included in the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974) (42 U.S.C. 5901 et seq.), (12) training in maintaining records of farming and ranching operations for limited resource borrowers receiving loans under section 310D, and (13) borrower training under section 359.”.

(c) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 331.—

(1) DIRECT AMENDMENTS.—Section 331(b)(4) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1981(b)(4)) is amended—

(A) by striking “this title”; and

(B) by striking “1949 from” and inserting “1949, from”.

(2) INDIRECT AMENDMENTS.—

(A) CLARIFICATION OF REPEAL.—Section 1805 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 3819) is amended by striking subsections (b) and (c) and inserting the following:

“(b) PAYMENT OF ACCRUED INTEREST.—Section 331 (7 U.S.C. 1981) is amended by striking subsection (h) and redesignating subsections (i) and (j) as subsections (h) and (i), respectively.”.

(B) CLARIFICATION OF TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—Section 2388(d)(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 4052) is amended—

(i) by inserting “, as amended by section 1805(b) of this Act,” before “is amended”;

(ii) in clause (i) of subparagraph (A), by striking “(h), and (i)” and inserting “and (h)”;

(iii) by striking clause (iv) and redesignating clauses (v), (vi), and (vii) of subparagraph (A) as clauses (iv), (v), and (vi), respectively;

(iv) in clause (iv) of subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated by clause (iii) of this subparagraph), by striking “(i)” and inserting “(h)”;

(v) in clause (vi) of subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated by clause (iii) of this subparagraph)—

(I) by striking “(j)” and inserting “(i)”;

(II) by striking “(10)” and inserting “(9)”.

(d) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 331E.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 331E of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1981e) is amended—

(A) by striking “The” and inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—The”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(b) CALCULATION OF YIELDS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of averaging past yields of the farm of a borrower or applicant over a period of crop years to calculate future yields for the farm under this title (except for loans under subtitle C), the Secretary shall permit the borrower or applicant to exclude the crop year with the lowest actual or county average yield for the farm from the calculation, if the borrower or applicant was affected by a disaster during at least 2 of the crop years during the period.

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“(2) AFFECTED BY A DISASTER.—For purposes of paragraph (1), a borrower or applicant was affected by a disaster if the Secretary finds that the borrower or applicant’s farming operations have been substantially affected by a natural disaster in the United States or by a major disaster or emergency designated by the President under the Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), including a borrower or applicant who has a qualifying loss but is not located in a designated or declared disaster area.

“(3) APPLICATION OF SUBSECTION.—Paragraph (1) shall apply to all actions taken by the Secretary to carry out this title (except for loans under subtitle C) that involve the yields of a farm of a borrower or applicant, including making loans and loan guarantees, servicing loans, and making credit sales.”.

(2) REGULATIONS.—

(A) INTERIM REGULATIONS.—Notwithstanding section 553 of title 5, United States Code, as soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act and without a requirement for prior public notice and comment, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue interim regulations that provide for the implementation of the amendment made by paragraph (1) beginning in crop year 1992.

(B) FINAL REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall provide for public notice and comment before the issuance of final regulations to implement the amendment made by paragraph (1).

(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the amendment made by paragraph (1) shall become effective on the date of publication of the interim regulations issued pursuant to paragraph (2)(A).

(B) EXCEPTION.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall apply to each primary loan servicing application submitted on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

(e) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 333(2)(A).—Section 333(2)(A) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983(2)(A)) is amended by redesignating clauses (1), (2), and (3), as clauses (i), (ii), and (iii), respectively.

(f) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 335(e)(1).—Section 335(e)(1) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1985(e)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking “the borrower” and all that follows through “the ‘borrower-owner’” and inserting “borrower-owner (as defined in subparagraph (F))”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(F) As used in this paragraph, the term ‘borrower-owner’ means—

“(i) a borrower from whom the Secretary acquired real farm or ranch property (including the principal residence of the borrower) used to secure any loan made to the borrower under this title; or

“(ii) in any case in which an owner of property pledged the property to secure the loan and the owner is different than the borrower, the owner.”.

(g) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 352.—Section 352 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2000) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

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(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph:

“(2) The term ‘borrower-owner’ means—

“(A) a borrower of a loan made or insured by the Secretary or the Administrator who meets the eligibility requirements of subsection (c)(1); or

“(B) in any case in which an owner of homestead property pledged the property to secure the loan and the owner is different than the borrower, the owner.”; and

(2) by striking “borrower” each place it appears and inserting “borrower-owner”.

(h) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 353.—Section 353 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2001) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(6)(A)(ii), by striking “the date of enactment of this paragraph” and inserting “November 28, 1990”; and

(2) in subsection (m), by striking “335(e)(1)(A)” and inserting “335(e)(1)”.

(i) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 363.—Section 363 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2006e) is amended—

(1) by striking “3801(a)(16))” and inserting “3801(a)(16)))”; and

(2) by striking “prior to the date of enactment of this section” and inserting “before November 28, 1990”.

SEC. 502. AMENDMENTS TO THE FARM CREDIT ACT OF 1971.

(a) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1.11(a).—Section 1.11(a) of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 (12 U.S.C. 2019(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking “(a) Agricultural or Aquatic Purposes” and inserting the following:

“(a) AGRICULTURAL OR AQUATIC PURPOSES”;

(2) by striking “(1) In general” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL”; and

(3) by striking “(2) Limitation on loans for basic processing and marketing operations” and inserting the following:

“(2) LIMITATION ON LOANS FOR BASIC PROCESSING AND MARKETING OPERATIONS”.

(b) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2.0(b)(8).—Section 2.0(b)(8) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2071(b)(8)) is amended by striking “charter to” and inserting “charter, to”.

(c) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2.1.—Section 2.1 of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2072) is amended by striking “or stockholder” and inserting “stockholder, or agent”.

(d) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2.11.—Section 2.11 of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2092) is amended by striking “or stockholder” and inserting “stockholder, or agent”.

(e) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3.7(b).—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3.7(b) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2128(b)) is amended—

(A) by inserting “(1)” after the subsection designation;

(B) by striking “(1) a domestic” and inserting “(A) a domestic”;

(C) by inserting “or products thereof” after “commodities”;

(D) by striking “(2) a domestic” and inserting “(B) a domestic”;

(E) by striking “clause (1) of this subsection” and inserting “subparagraph (A)”; and

(F) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

“(2) A bank for cooperatives is authorized to make or participate in loans and commitments, and to extend other technical and financial assistance, to any domestic or foreign entity that is eligible for a guarantee or insurance as described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) with respect to transactions involving the Soviet Union (its successor entities or any of the individual republics of the Soviet Union) or an emerging democracy (as defined in section 1542(f) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5622 note)) for the export of agricultural commodities and products thereof from the United States, including (where applicable) the cost of freight, if in each case—

“(A) the loan involved is unconditionally guaranteed or insured by a department, agency, bureau, board, commission, or establishment of the United States or any corporation wholly owned directly or indirectly by the United States; and

“(B) the guarantee or insurance—

“(i) covers at least 95 percent of the amount loaned for the purchase of the commodities or products; and

“(ii) is issued on or before September 30, 1995.

“(3) A bank for cooperatives is authorized to provide such services as may be customary and normal in maintaining relationships with domestic or foreign entities to facilitate the activities specified in paragraphs (1) and (2), consistent with this Act.”

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3.8(b)(1)(D) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2129(b)(1)(D)) is amended by striking “section 3.7(f)” and inserting “subsection (b) or (f) of section 3.7”.

(f) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 3.8.—Section 3.8 of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2129) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(4), by striking “(4) A” and inserting “(4) a”; and

(2) in subsection (b)(1), by moving subparagraph (D) 2 ems to the right so that the left margin of such subparagraph is aligned with the left margin of subparagraph (C).

(g) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 4.28.—Section 4.28 of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2214) is amended by striking “2.17” and inserting “2.16”.

(h) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5.17(a)(8)(B)(ii).—Section 5.17(a)(8)(B)(ii) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2252(a)(8)(B)(ii)) is amended by striking the last period.

(i) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5.35(3).—Section 5.35(3) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2271(3)) is amended by striking “D” and inserting “E”.

(j) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5.58(4)(B).—Section 5.58(4)(B) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2277a-7(4)(B)) is amended by inserting after “and the Corporation,” the following: “in any capacity,”.

(k) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5.65(d)(1).—Section 5.65(d)(1) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2277a-14(d)(1)) is amended by striking “insured”.

(l) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 6.2(d).—Section 6.2(d) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2278a-2(d)) is amended by striking “subchapter 1” each place such term appears and inserting “subchapter I”.

(m) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 6.23.—Section 6.23 of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2278b-3) is amended by inserting before the period at the end the following: “, except in the event of a restructuring or liquidation to a successor System institution”.

(n) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7.11(a)(2).—Section 7.11(a)(2) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2279e(a)(2)) is amended by striking “30 days” and inserting “60 days”.

SEC. 503. FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION.

(a) SUPERVISION AND OVERSIGHT.—Section 8.11 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 (12 U.S.C. 2279aa-11) is amended—

(1) by amending paragraph (1) of subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(1) **AUTHORITY.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Farm Credit Administration shall have the authority to provide, acting through the Office of Secondary Market Oversight—

“(A) for the examination of the Corporation and its affiliates; and

“(B) for the general supervision of the safe and sound performance of the powers, functions, and duties vested in the Corporation and its affiliates by this title, including through the use of the authorities granted to the Farm Credit Administration under—

“(i) part C of title V; and

“(ii) beginning 6 months after the date of enactment of this section, section 5.17(a)(9).”;

(2) by adding at the end of subsection (a) the following new paragraph:

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“(3) **OFFICE OF SECONDARY MARKET OVERSIGHT.**—

“(A) Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this paragraph, the Farm Credit Administration Board shall establish within the Farm Credit Administration the Office of Secondary Market Oversight.

“(B) The Farm Credit Administration Board shall carry out the authority set forth in this section through the Office of Secondary Market Oversight.

“(C) The Office of Secondary Market Oversight shall be managed by a full-time Director who shall be selected by and report to the Farm Credit Administration Board.”; and

(3) by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(f) The Farm Credit Administration Board shall ensure that—

“(1) the Office of Secondary Market Oversight has access to a sufficient number of qualified and trained employees to adequately supervise the secondary market activities of the Corporation; and

“(2) the supervision of the powers, functions, and duties of the Corporation is performed, to the extent practicable, by personnel who are not responsible for the supervision of the banks and associations of the Farm Credit System.”.

(b) **REGULATION OF FINANCIAL SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS.**—Title VIII of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 (12 U.S.C. 2279aa et seq.) is amended—

(1) by inserting after section 8.0 the following:

**“Subtitle A—Establishment and Activities of
Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation”;
and**

(2) by inserting after section 8.14 the following new subtitle:

**“Subtitle B—Regulation of Financial Safety
and Soundness of Federal Agricultural Mort-
gage Corporation**

“SEC. 8.31. DEFINITIONS.

12 USC 2279bb.

“For purposes of this subtitle:

“(1) **COMPENSATION.**—The term ‘compensation’ means any payment of money or the provision of any other thing of current or potential value in connection with employment.

“(2) **CORE CAPITAL.**—The term ‘core capital’ means, with respect to the Corporation, the sum of the following (as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles):

“(A) The par value of outstanding common stock.

“(B) The par value of outstanding preferred stock.

“(C) Paid-in capital.

“(D) Retained earnings.

“(3) **DIRECTOR.**—The term ‘Director’ means the Director of the Office of Secondary Market Oversight of the Farm Credit Administration, selected under section 8.11(a)(3).

“(4) **OFFICE.**—The term ‘Office’ means the Office of Secondary Market Oversight of the Farm Credit Administration, established in section 8.11(a).

“(5) **REGULATORY CAPITAL.**—The term ‘regulatory capital’ means, with respect to the Corporation, the core capital of the Corporation plus an allowance for losses and guarantee claims, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

“(6) **STATE.**—The term ‘State’ means the States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and any other territory or possession of the United States.

“SEC. 8.32. RISK-BASED CAPITAL LEVELS.

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“(a) **RISK-BASED CAPITAL TEST.**—Not later than the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section, the Director of the Office of Secondary Market Oversight shall, by regulation, establish a risk-based capital test under this section for the Corporation. When applied to the Corporation, the risk-based capital test shall determine the amount of regulatory capital for the Corporation that is sufficient for the Corporation to maintain positive capital during a 10-year period in which both of the following circumstances occur:

“(1) **CREDIT RISK.**—With respect to securities representing an interest in, or obligations backed by, a pool of qualified loans

owned or guaranteed by the Corporation and other obligations of the Corporation, losses on the underlying qualified loans occur throughout the United States at a rate of default and severity (based on any measurements of default reasonably related to prevailing industry practice in determining capital adequacy) reasonably related to the rate and severity that occurred in contiguous areas of the United States containing an aggregate of not less than 5 percent of the total population of the United States that, for a period of not less than 2 years (as established by the Director), experienced the highest rates of default and severity of agricultural mortgage losses, in comparison with such rates of default and severity of agricultural mortgage losses in other such areas for any period of such duration, as determined by the Director.

"(2) INTEREST RATE RISK.—Interest rates on Treasury obligations of varying terms increase or decrease over the first 12 months of such 10-year period by not more than the lesser of (A) 50 percent (with respect to the average interest rates on such obligations during the 12-month period preceding the 10-year period), or (B) 600 basis points, and remain at such level for the remainder of the period. This paragraph may not be construed to require the Director to determine interest rate risk under this paragraph based on the interest rates for various long-term and short-term obligations all increasing or all decreasing concurrently.

"(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—

"(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF TEST.—In establishing the risk-based capital test under subsection (a)—

"(A) the Director shall take into account appropriate distinctions based on various types of agricultural mortgage products, varying terms of Treasury obligations, and any other factors the Director considers appropriate;

"(B) the Director shall conform loan data used in determining credit risk to the minimum geographic and commodity diversification standards applicable to pools of qualified loans eligible for guarantee;

"(C) the Director shall take into account retained subordinated participating interests under section 8.6(b)(2);

"(D) the Director may take into account other methods or tests to determine credit risk developed by the Corporation before the date of the enactment of this section; and

"(E) the Director shall consider any other information submitted by the Corporation in writing during the 180-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of such Act.

"(2) REVISING TEST.—Upon the expiration of the 5-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section, the Director shall examine the risk-based capital test under subsection (a) and may revise the test. In making examinations and revisions under this paragraph, the Director shall take into account that, before the date of the enactment of this section, the Corporation has not issued guarantees for pools of qualified loans. To the extent that the revision of the risk-based capital test causes a change in the classification of the Corporation within the enforcement levels established under section 8.35, the Director shall waive the applicability of any additional enforcement actions available because of such change for a

reasonable period of time, to permit the Corporation to increase the amount of regulatory capital of the Corporation accordingly.

“(c) **RISK-BASED CAPITAL LEVEL.**—For purposes of this subtitle, the risk-based capital level for the Corporation shall be equal to the sum of the following amounts:

“(1) **CREDIT AND INTEREST RATE RISK.**—The amount of regulatory capital determined by applying the risk-based capital test under subsection (a) to the Corporation, adjusted to account for foreign exchange risk.

“(2) **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS RISK.**—To provide for management and operations risk, 30 percent of the amount of regulatory capital determined by applying the risk-based capital test under subsection (a) to the Corporation.

“(d) **SPECIFIED CONTENTS.**—The regulations establishing the risk-based capital test under this section shall contain specific requirements, definitions, methods, variables, and parameters used under the risk-based capital test and in implementing the test (such as loan loss severity, float income, loan-to-value ratios, taxes, yield curve slopes, default experience, prepayment rates, and performance of pools of qualified loans). The regulations shall be sufficiently specific to permit an individual other than the Director to apply the test in the same manner as the Director.

“(e) **AVAILABILITY OF MODEL.**—The Director shall make copies of the statistical model or models used to implement the risk-based capital test under this section available for public acquisition and may charge a reasonable fee for such copies.

“SEC. 8.33. **MINIMUM CAPITAL LEVEL.**

12 USC
2279bb-2.

“(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in subsection (b), for purposes of this subtitle, the minimum capital level for the Corporation shall be an amount of core capital equal to the sum of—

“(1) 2.50 percent of the aggregate on-balance sheet assets of the Corporation (other than assets referred to in paragraph (3)), as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

“(2) 0.45 percent of the unpaid principal balance of outstanding securities guaranteed by the Corporation and backed by pools of qualified loans and substantially equivalent instruments issued or guaranteed by the Corporation, and other off-balance sheet obligations of the Corporation; and

“(3) the percentage of the aggregate assets of the Corporation acquired pursuant to the linked portfolio option under section 8.6(g) that is determined under subsection (c).

“(b) **18-MONTH TRANSITION.**—During the 18-month period beginning upon the date of the enactment of this section, for purposes of this subtitle, the minimum capital level for the Corporation shall be an amount of core capital equal to the sum of—

“(1) 1.50 percent of the aggregate on-balance sheet assets of the Corporation (other than assets referred to in paragraph (3)), as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

“(2) 0.40 percent of the unpaid principal balance of outstanding securities guaranteed by the Corporation and backed by pools of qualified loans and substantially equivalent instruments issued or guaranteed by the Corporation, and other off-balance sheet obligations of the Corporation; and

“(3) the percentage of the aggregate assets of the Corporation acquired pursuant to the linked portfolio option under section 8.6(g) that is determined under subsection (c).

“(c) **LINKED PORTFOLIO ASSETS.**—The percentage of any aggregate assets of the Corporation acquired pursuant to the linked portfolio option under section 8.6(g) that is referred to in subsections (a)(3) and (b)(3) of this section (and in section 8.34(3)(A)) shall be—

“(1) during the 5-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section—

“(A) 0.45 percent of any such assets not exceeding \$1,000,000,000;

“(B) 0.75 percent of any such assets in excess of \$1,000,000,000 but not exceeding \$2,000,000,000;

“(C) 1.00 percent of any such assets in excess of \$2,000,000,000 but not exceeding \$3,000,000,000;

“(D) 1.25 percent of any such assets in excess of \$3,000,000,000 but not exceeding \$4,000,000,000;

“(E) 1.50 percent of any such assets in excess of \$4,000,000,000 but not exceeding \$5,000,000,000; and

“(F) 2.50 percent of any such assets in excess of \$5,000,000,000; and

“(2) after the expiration of such 5-year period, 2.50 percent of any such aggregate assets.

12 USC
2279bb-3.

“SEC. 8.34. CRITICAL CAPITAL LEVEL.

“For purposes of this subtitle, the critical capital level for the Corporation shall be an amount of core capital equal to the sum of—

“(1) 1.25 percent of the aggregate on-balance sheet assets of the Corporation (other than assets referred to in paragraph (3)), as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

“(2) 0.25 percent of the unpaid principal balance of outstanding securities guaranteed by the Corporation and backed by pools of qualified loans and substantially equivalent instruments issued or guaranteed by the Corporation, and other off-balance sheet obligations of the Corporation; and

“(3) a percentage of any aggregate assets of the Corporation acquired pursuant to the linked portfolio option under section 8.6(g), which shall be—

“(A) during the 5-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section, one-half of the percentage that is determined under section 8.33(c)(1); and

“(B) after the expiration of such 5-year period, 1.25 percent of any such aggregate assets.

12 USC
2279bb-4.

“SEC. 8.35. ENFORCEMENT LEVELS.

“(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Director shall classify the Corporation, for purposes of this subtitle, according to the following enforcement levels:

“(1) **LEVEL I.**—The Corporation shall be classified as within level I if the Corporation—

“(A) maintains an amount of regulatory capital that is equal to or exceeds the risk-based capital level established under section 8.32; and

“(B) equals or exceeds the minimum capital level established under section 8.33.

“(2) **LEVEL II.**—The Corporation shall be classified as within level II if—

“(A) the Corporation—

“(i) maintains an amount of regulatory capital that is less than the risk-based capital level; and

“(ii) equals or exceeds the minimum capital level; or

“(B) the Corporation is otherwise classified as within level II under subsection (b) of this section.

“(3) **LEVEL III.**—The Corporation shall be classified as within level III if—

“(A) the Corporation—

“(i) does not equal or exceed the minimum capital level; and

“(ii) equals or exceeds the critical capital level established under section 8.34; or

“(B) the Corporation is otherwise classified as within level III under subsection (b) of this section.

“(4) **LEVEL IV.**—The Corporation shall be classified as within level IV if the Corporation—

“(A) does not equal or exceed the critical capital level; or

“(B) is otherwise classified as within level IV under subsection (b) of this section.

“(b) **DISCRETIONARY CLASSIFICATION.**—If at any time the Director determines in writing (and provides written notification to the Corporation and the Farm Credit Administration) that the Corporation is taking any action not approved by the Director that could result in a rapid depletion of core capital or that the value of the property subject to mortgages securitized by the Corporation or property underlying securities guaranteed by the Corporation, has decreased significantly, the Director may classify the Corporation—

“(1) as within level II, if the Corporation is otherwise within level I;

“(2) as within level III, if the Corporation is otherwise within level II; or

“(3) as within level IV, if the Corporation is otherwise within level III.

“(c) **QUARTERLY DETERMINATION.**—The Director shall determine the classification of the Corporation for purposes of this subtitle on not less than a quarterly basis (and as appropriate under subsection (b)). The first such determination shall be made for the quarter ending March 31, 1992.

“(d) **NOTICE.**—Upon determining under subsection (b) or (c) that the Corporation is within level II or III, the Director shall provide written notice to the Congress and to the Corporation—

“(1) that the Corporation is within such level;

“(2) that the Corporation is subject to the provisions of section 8.36 or 8.37, as applicable; and

“(3) stating the reasons for the classification of the Corporation within such level.

“(e) **IMPLEMENTATION.**—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a), during the 30-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section, the Corporation shall be classified as within level I if the Corporation equals or exceeds the minimum capital level established under section 8.33.

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2279bb-5.

"SEC. 8.36. MANDATORY ACTIONS APPLICABLE TO LEVEL II.

"(a) **CAPITAL RESTORATION PLAN.**—If the Corporation is classified as within level II, the Corporation shall, within the time period determined by the Director, submit to the Director a capital restoration plan and, after approval, carry out the plan.

"(b) **RESTRICTION ON DIVIDENDS.**—If the Corporation is classified as within level II, the Corporation may not make any payment of dividends that would result in the Corporation being reclassified as within level III or IV.

"(c) **RECLASSIFICATION FROM LEVEL II TO LEVEL III.**—The Director shall immediately reclassify the Corporation as within level III (and the Corporation shall be subject to the provisions of section 8.37), if—

"(1) the Corporation is within level II; and

"(2)(A) the Corporation does not submit a capital restoration plan that is approved by the Director; or

"(B) the Director determines that the Corporation has failed to make, in good faith, reasonable efforts necessary to comply with such a capital restoration plan and fulfill the schedule for the plan approved by the Director.

"(d) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall take effect upon the expiration of the 30-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section.

12 USC
2279bb-6.

"SEC. 8.37. SUPERVISORY ACTIONS APPLICABLE TO LEVEL III.

"(a) **MANDATORY SUPERVISORY ACTIONS.**—

"(1) **CAPITAL RESTORATION PLAN.**—If the Corporation is classified as within level III, the Corporation shall, within the time period determined by the Director, submit to the Director a capital restoration plan and, after approval, carry out the plan.

"(2) **RESTRICTIONS ON DIVIDENDS.**—

"(A) **PRIOR APPROVAL.**—If the Corporation is classified as within level III, the Corporation—

"(i) may not make any payment of dividends that would result in the Corporation being reclassified as within level IV; and

"(ii) may make any other payment of dividends only if the Director approves the payment before the payment.

"(B) **STANDARD FOR APPROVAL.**—If the Corporation is classified as within level III, the Director may approve a payment of dividends by the Corporation only if the Director determines that the payment (i) will enhance the ability of the Corporation to meet the risk-based capital level and the minimum capital level promptly, (ii) will contribute to the long-term safety and soundness of the Corporation, or (iii) is otherwise in the public interest.

"(3) **RECLASSIFICATION FROM LEVEL III TO LEVEL IV.**—The Director shall immediately reclassify the Corporation as within level IV if—

"(A) the Corporation is classified as within level III; and

"(B)(i) the Corporation does not submit a capital restoration plan that is approved by the Director; or

"(ii) the Director determines that the Corporation has failed to make, in good faith, reasonable efforts necessary to

comply with such a capital restoration plan and fulfill the schedule for the plan approved by the Director.

“(b) DISCRETIONARY SUPERVISORY ACTIONS.—In addition to any other actions taken by the Director (including actions under subsection (a)), the Director may, at any time, take any of the following actions if the Corporation is classified as within level III:

“(1) LIMITATION ON INCREASE IN OBLIGATIONS.—Limit any increase in, or order the reduction of, any obligations of the Corporation, including off-balance sheet obligations.

“(2) LIMITATION ON GROWTH.—Limit or prohibit the growth of the assets of the Corporation or require contraction of the assets of the Corporation.

“(3) PROHIBITION ON DIVIDENDS.—Prohibit the Corporation from making any payment of dividends.

“(4) ACQUISITION OF NEW CAPITAL.—Require the Corporation to acquire new capital in any form and in any amount sufficient to provide for the reclassification of the Corporation as within level II.

“(5) RESTRICTION OF ACTIVITIES.—Require the Corporation to terminate, reduce, or modify any activity that the Director determines creates excessive risk to the Corporation.

“(6) CONSERVATORSHIP.—Appoint a conservator for the Corporation consistent with this Act.

“(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on January 1, 1992.”

(c) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 8.3(c).—Section 8.3(c) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2279aa-3(c)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (13) as paragraph (14); and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (12) the following new paragraph:

“(13) To establish, acquire, and maintain affiliates (as such term is defined in section 8.11(g)) under applicable State laws to carry out any activities that otherwise would be performed directly by the Corporation under this title.”

(d) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 8.6.—Section 8.6 of such Act (12 U.S.C. 2279aa-6) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(g) PURCHASE OF GUARANTEED SECURITIES.—

“(1) PURCHASE AUTHORITY.—The Corporation (and affiliates) may purchase, hold, and sell any securities guaranteed under this section by the Corporation that represent interests in, or obligations backed by, pools of qualified loans. Securities issued under this section shall have maturities and bear rates of interest as determined by the Corporation.

“(2) ISSUANCE OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS.—The Corporation (and affiliates) may issue debt obligations solely for the purpose of obtaining amounts for the purchase of any securities under paragraph (1), for the purchase of qualified loans (as defined in section 8.0(9)(B)), and for maintaining reasonable amounts for business operations (including adequate liquidity) relating to activities under this subsection.

“(3) TERMS AND LIMITATIONS.—

“(A) TERMS.—The obligations issued under this subsection shall have maturities and bear rates of interest as determined by the Corporation, and may be redeemable at the option of the Corporation before maturity in the manner stipulated in the obligations.

“(B) REQUIREMENT.—Each obligation shall clearly indicate that the obligation is not an obligation of, and is not guaranteed as to principal and interest by, the Farm Credit Administration, the United States, or any other agency or instrumentality of the United States (other than the Corporation).

“(C) AUTHORITY.—The Corporation may not issue obligations pursuant to paragraph (2) under this subsection while any obligation issued by the Corporation under section 8.13(a) remains outstanding.”.

TITLE VI—CROP INSURANCE AND DISASTER ASSISTANCE

SEC. 601. FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE.

The Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) is amended—

- (1) in section 506(d) (7 U.S.C. 1506(d))—
 - (A) by striking “section 508(c)” and inserting “section 508(f)”; and
 - (B) by striking the semicolon at the end and inserting a period;
- (2) in section 506(m) (7 U.S.C. 1506(m))—
 - (A) by striking “wilfully” and inserting “willfully”; and
 - (B) by striking “to” after “exceed”;
- (3) in section 507(c)(2) (7 U.S.C. 1507(c)(2)), by inserting a comma after “private insurance companies”;
- (4) in section 508(a) (7 U.S.C. 1508(a)), by striking “(1)”;
- (5) in section 508 (7 U.S.C. 1508), by redesignating subsections (l), (m), and (n) as subsections (k), (l), and (m), respectively; and
- (6) in section 518 (7 U.S.C. 1518) by striking “subsection (a) or (i)” and inserting “subsection (a) or (k)”.

SEC. 602. DISASTER RELIEF.

(a) 1989 ACT.—Section 104(d)(1) of the Disaster Assistance Act of 1989 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note) is amended by inserting “(A)” after the paragraph heading.

(b) 1988 ACT.—Section 301(b) of the Disaster Assistance Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 1464 note) (as amended by section 1541 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990) is amended—

- (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “SUNFLOWER SEED” and inserting “SUNFLOWERSEED”; and
- (2) in paragraph (2)(A)—
 - (A) by inserting a comma after “(7 U.S.C. 612c)” in clause (i);
 - (B) by striking “such Act” in clause (i) and inserting “such section”; and
 - (C) by striking “sunflower seed” in clause (iv) and inserting “sunflowerseed”.

(c) CLARIFICATION OF AMENDMENT.—Section 2232(a) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-510; 104 Stat. 3959) is amended—

- (1) by striking “is amended to read:” and inserting “is amended by striking the material before the clauses and inserting the following:”;

- (2) by inserting open double quotes before “(A)”; and
- (3) by moving the left margin of subparagraph (A) 2 ems to the right.

TITLE VII—RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SEC. 701. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT.

(a) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 306(a).—Section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (11)(B)(ii)—

(A) in subclause (I), by inserting “and” after the semicolon; and

(B) in subclause (II), by striking “; and” and inserting a period; and

(2) by striking paragraph (21).

(b) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 306C(a)(2).—Subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 306C(a)(2) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1926c(a)(2)) (A) and (B)) are each amended by moving the left margin of such subparagraphs 2 ems to the right.

(c) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 310B.—Section 310B of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1932) is amended—

(1) in subsection (i)(2)(B)(iv), by striking “(ii) of this subsection” and inserting “(iii) of this subparagraph”;

(2) in subsection (i)(5)(A), by striking “365(b)(3),” and inserting “365(b)(3)),”;

(3) by transferring to the end of such section the provision added by section 2386 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 4051);

(4) by redesignating the provision so transferred as subsection (j); and

(5) in subsection (j) (as so redesignated), by striking “The Secretary” and inserting “GRANTS TO BROADCASTING SYSTEMS.—The Secretary.”

(d) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 364(e).—Section 364(e) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2006f(e)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking “the date of enactment of this section” and inserting “November 28, 1990”; and

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking “the date of enactment of this section” and inserting “November 28, 1990.”

(e) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 365(b).—Section 365(b) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2008(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (4)(A), by striking “(3)(C)” and inserting “(3)(A)(iii)”; and

(2) in paragraph (5), by striking “(3)(B)” and inserting “(3)(A)(ii)”.

(f) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 366(h).—Section 366(h) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2008a(h)) is amended by striking “of such officer” and inserting “of such officer’s”.

(g) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 367(b)(1).—Section 367(b)(1) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2008b(b)(1)) is amended by striking “365(b)(6)” and inserting “366(b)(6)”.

(h) MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS.—

(1) **IDENTICAL AMENDMENTS.**—Each of the following provisions of such Act is amended by striking “this Act” each place such term appears and inserting “this title”:

(A) Section 306(a)(12)(D) (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)(12)(D)).

(B) Section 306(a)(20) (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)(20)).

(C) Section 310B(d)(5) (7 U.S.C. 1932(d)(5)).

(D) Section 310B(d)(7) (7 U.S.C. 1932(d)(7)).

(E) Section 331(b)(3) (7 U.S.C. 1981(b)(3)).

(F) Section 346(b)(3)(C) (7 U.S.C. 1994(b)(3)(C)).

(2) **OTHER MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENT.**—Section 352(b)(3) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2000(b)(3)) is amended by striking “be”.

SEC. 702. AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990.

(a) **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2302(b)(1).**—Section 2302(b)(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2006f note) is amended by striking “the date of enactment of this section” and inserting “November 28, 1990”.

(b) **AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 2311.**—Section 2311 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2007a) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)(A)(ii)—

(A) by striking “4(b)” and inserting “4(e)”;

(B) by striking “the section 4(c)” and inserting “section 4(l)”; and

(C) by striking “450b(c))” and inserting “450b(l))”; and

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking “this Act” and inserting “this chapter”.

(c) **AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 2313.**—Section 2313 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2007c) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “Fund established under paragraph (1)” and inserting “Rural Business Investment Fund”;

(2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “fund established by subsection (a)” and inserting “Rural Business Investment Fund”; and

(3) in subsection (c)(6), by inserting “Business Investment” before “Fund”.

(d) **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2314(a)(1)(A)(i).**—Section 2314(a)(1)(A)(i) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2007d(a)(1)(A)(i)) is amended by striking “from the Fund under this chapter” and inserting “under this chapter from the Rural Business Investment Fund”.

(e) **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2315(d)(2).**—Section 2315(d)(2) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2007e(d)(2)) is amended by striking “engage in conduct, in”.

(f) **AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 2322.**—Section 2322 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 1926-1) is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)(1)(B)—

(A) by striking “section 306(a)(9) and 306(a)(10)” and inserting “paragraphs (9) and (10) of section 306(a)”; and

(B) by striking “sections 306(a)(19)(A) and (B)” and inserting “subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 306(a)(19)”; and

(2) in subsection (i)(1), by striking “and (3)”.

(g) **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2332.**—Section 2332 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 950aaa-1) is amended by striking “Federal government” and inserting “Federal Government”.

(h) **AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 2388(h).**—

(1) AMENDMENTS.—Section 2388(h) of such Act (104 Stat. 4053) 7 USC 1991. is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “and” after the semicolon;

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “; and” and inserting a period; and

(C) by striking paragraph (3).

(2) SPECIAL RULE.—The Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act shall be applied and administered as if the amendment made by 2388(h)(3) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 had never been enacted. 7 USC 1991 note.

(i) REPEAL OF SECTION 2388(i).—Subsection (i) of section 2388 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 4053) is hereby repealed and the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act shall be applied and administered as if the amendments made by such subsection had never been enacted. 7 USC 1994.

SEC. 703. AMENDMENTS TO THE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ACT OF 1936.

(a) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 11A(e).—Section 11A(e) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 911a(e)) is amended by striking “1 percent” and inserting “2 percent”.

(b) REPEAL OF SECTION 17.—Section 17 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 917) is repealed.

(c) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 501.—Section 501 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 950aa) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (6), by inserting “and” after the semicolon;

(2) by striking paragraph (7); and

(3) by redesignating paragraph (8) as paragraph (7).

(d) AMENDMENT TO SECTION 502(a)(2).—Section 502(a)(2) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 950aa-1(a)(2)) is amended by striking “as defined in this Act”.

SEC. 704. RURAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 502(i)(1) of the Rural Development Act of 1972 (7 U.S.C. 2662) (as redesignated by section 403(a)(2)(B) of this Act) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(C) RURAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Office of Rural Health Policy of the Department of Health and Human Services, may make grants to academic medical centers or land grant colleges and universities, or any combination thereof, for the establishment of rural health leadership development education programs that shall assist rural communities in developing health care services and facilities that will provide the maximum benefit for the resources invested and assist community leaders and public officials in understanding their roles and responsibilities relative to rural health services and facilities, including—

“(i) community decisions regarding funding for and retention of rural hospitals;

“(ii) rural physician and allied health professionals recruitment and retention;

“(iii) the aging rural population and senior services required to care for the population;

“(iv) the establishment and maintenance of rural emergency medical services systems; and

“(v) the application of computer-assisted capital budgeting decision aids for rural health services and facilities.”.

(b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—The first sentence of section 502(i)(4) of the Rural Development Act of 1972 (7 U.S.C. 2662) (as redesignated by section 403(a)(2)(B) of this Act) is amended by inserting after “to States” the following “or entities described in paragraph (1)(C)”.

TITLE VIII—AGRICULTURAL PROMOTION

SEC. 801. SHORT TITLE.

Section 1901 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6001 note; 104 Stat. 3838) is amended by striking “This Act” and inserting “This title”.

SEC. 802. PECANS.

Subtitle A of title XIX of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6001 et seq.; 104 Stat. 3838) is amended—

(1) in section 1907(22) (7 U.S.C. 6002(22)), by striking “inshell” and inserting “in-shell”;

(2) in section 1910(b)(8)(G) (7 U.S.C. 6005(b)(8)(G))—

(A) by striking “paragraph 3(A), (B), and (C),” and inserting “subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (3),”; and

(B) by striking “paragraph (3)(D) and (E)” and inserting “subparagraphs (D) and (E) of paragraph (3);” and

(3) in section 1915(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 6010(b)(2)), by striking “section” after “1913 or”.

SEC. 803. MUSHROOMS.

Subtitle B of title XIX of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.; 104 Stat. 3854) is amended—

(1) in section 1925(h) (7 U.S.C. 6104(h)), by striking “government” and inserting “governmental”;

(2) in section 1928(d)(1)(A) (7 U.S.C. 6107(d)(1)(A)), by striking “United States district court” and inserting “United States District Court; and

(3) in section 1929(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 6108(b)(2)), by striking “section” after “1927 or”.

SEC. 804. POTATOES.

Section 310(a)(2) of the Potato Research and Promotion Act (7 U.S.C. 2619(a)(2)) is amended by striking “(2) when” and inserting “(2) When”.

SEC. 805. LIMES.

Subtitle D of title XIX of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.; 104 Stat. 3870) is amended—

(1) in section 1955(e)(1)(B) (7 U.S.C. 6204(e)(1)(B)), by striking “government employees” and inserting “Government employees”;

(2) in section 1958(d)(1) (7 U.S.C. 6207(d)(1)), by striking “United States district court” and inserting “United States District Court”; and

(3) in section 1959(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 6208(b)(2)), by striking “section” after “1957 or”.

SEC. 806. SOYBEANS.

Subtitle E of title XIX of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.; 104 Stat. 3881) is amended—

(1) in section 1969 (7 U.S.C. 6304)—

(A) in subsection (g)(2)(A)(ii), by striking “Argicultural” and inserting “Agricultural”;

(B) in subsection (l)(2)(F)(vii)(V), by striking “that requests” and inserting “that request”; and

(C) in subsection (q)(4)—

(i) by inserting a comma after “and”; and

(ii) by striking the semicolon after “Board”;

(2) in section 1970(b)(3) (7 U.S.C. 6305(b)(3)), by striking “this Act” and inserting “this subtitle”; and

(3) in section 1974 (7 U.S.C. 6309)—

(A) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “section 1969(k)(4)” and inserting “section 1969(l)(4)”; and

(B) by redesignating the second subsection (b) as subsection (c).

SEC. 807. HONEY.

The Honey Research, Promotion, and Consumer Information Act (7 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 9(h) (7 U.S.C. 4608(h)), by inserting “to” before “an importer”; and

(2) in section 11A(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 4610a(b)(2)), by striking “section” after “10 or”.

SEC. 808. COTTON.

(a) **COTTON PROMOTION ACT.**—The Cotton Research and Promotion Act (7 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 7(e)(4) (7 U.S.C. 2106(e)(4)), by striking “title” and inserting “Act”;

(2) in section 8(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 2107(b)(2)), by striking “section 17C(2)” and inserting “section 17(c)(2)”;

(3) in section 10(b) (7 U.S.C. 2109(b)), by striking “section 8(b) or 8(c)” and inserting “subsection (b) or (c) of section 8”; and

(4) in section 11(a) (7 U.S.C. 2110(a))—

(A) by inserting “of this Act” after “section”; and

(B) by striking “of this Act,” after “subsection (b),”.

(b) **REPORTS.**—Section 1998 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2101 note; 104 Stat. 3913) is amended by striking “title” each place it appears in subsections (a) and (b) and inserting “subtitle”.

SEC. 809. FLUID MILK.

Section 1999L(b) of the Fluid Milk Promotion Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6411(b); 104 Stat. 3922) is amended by striking “this subsection” and inserting “this section”.

SEC. 810. WOOL.

Section 708 of the National Wool Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1787) is amended by inserting after the third sentence the following new sentence: “In any agreement entered into under this section, the Secretary shall prohibit the use of any funds made available through pro rata deductions from payments under section 704 of this title in any manner for the purpose of influencing legislation or government action or policy, except for the development or rec-

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ommendation to the Secretary of amendments to the research and promotion program.”.

TITLE IX—FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Subtitle A—Food Stamp Program

SEC. 901. APPLICATION OF FOOD STAMP ACT OF 1977 TO DISABLED PERSONS.

Section 3 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2012) is amended by inserting after “title I, II, X, XIV, or XVI of the Social Security Act” both places it appears in subsections (g)(7) and (i) the following: “, or are individuals described in paragraphs (2) through (7) of subsection (r),”.

SEC. 902. CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY FOR RECIPIENTS OF GENERAL ASSISTANCE.

The third sentence of section 5(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(a)) is amended by striking “appropriate for categorical treatment” and inserting “based on income criteria comparable to or more restrictive than those under subsection (c)(2), and not limited to one-time emergency payments that cannot be provided for more than one consecutive month,”.

SEC. 903. EXCLUSIONS FROM INCOME.

Section 5(d) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(d)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “to the extent” and all that follows through “involved” and inserting “awarded to a household member enrolled”; and

(B) in subparagraph (B)—

(i) by inserting after “amount” the following: “used for or”; and

(ii) by striking “or program for” and inserting “program, or other grantor, for tuition and mandatory fees (including the rental or purchase of any equipment, materials, and supplies related to the pursuit of the course of study involved),”;

(2) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (14); and

(3) by inserting before the period at the end the following: “, and (16) any amounts necessary for the fulfillment of a plan for achieving self-support of a household member as provided under section 1612(b)(4)(B)(iv) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1382a(b)(4)(B)(iv))”.

SEC. 904. RESOURCES THAT CANNOT BE SOLD FOR A SIGNIFICANT RETURN.

Section 5(g)(5) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(g)(5)) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentences: “A resource shall be so identified if its sale or other disposition is unlikely to produce any significant amount of funds for the support of the household. The Secretary shall not require the State agency to require verification of the value of a resource to be excluded

under this paragraph unless the State agency determines that the information provided by the household is questionable.”.

SEC. 905. RESOURCE EXEMPTION FOR HOUSEHOLDS EXEMPT UNDER AFDC OR SSI.

Subsection (j) of section 5 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(j)) is amended to read as follows:

“(j) Notwithstanding subsections (a) through (i), a State agency shall consider a household member who receives supplemental security income benefits under title XVI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1382 et seq.), aid to the aged, blind, or disabled under title I, II, X, XIV, or XVI of such Act (42 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), or who receives benefits under a State plan approved under part A of title IV of such Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) to have satisfied the resource limitations prescribed under subsection (g).”.

SEC. 906. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT ON TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.

Section 5(k)(2)(F) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(k)(2)(F)) is amended by inserting before the semicolon the following: “, if the State agency calculates a shelter allowance to be paid under the State plan separate and apart from payments for other household needs even though it may be paid in combination with other allowances in some cases”.

SEC. 907. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (L) of section 6(d)(4) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2015(d)(4)(L)) is amended to read as follows:

“(L)(i) The Secretary shall establish performance standards and measures applicable to employment and training programs carried out under this paragraph that are based on employment outcomes, including increases in earnings.

“(ii) Final performance standards and measures referred to in clause (i) shall be published not later than 12 months after the date that the final outcome-based performance standards are published for job opportunities and basic skills training programs under part F of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 681 et seq.).

“(iii) The standards shall encourage States to serve those individuals who have greater barriers to employment and shall take into account the extent to which persons have elected to participate in employment and training programs under this paragraph. The standards shall require participants to make levels of efforts comparable to those required under the regulations set forth in section 273.7(f)(1) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations in effect on January 1, 1991.

“(iv) The performance standards in effect under subparagraph (K) shall remain in effect during the period beginning on October 1, 1988, and ending on the date the Secretary implements the outcome-based performance standards described in this subparagraph.

“(v) A State agency shall be considered in compliance with applicable performance standards under subparagraph (K) if the State agency operates an employment and training program in a manner consistent with its approved plan and if the program requires participants to make levels of effort comparable to those required under the regulations set forth in section 273.7(f)(1) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations in effect on January 1, 1991.”.

- (b) **LIMITATION.**—Section 6(d)(4)(K)(i) of such Act is amended—
- (1) by striking “50 percent through September 30, 1989” and inserting “10 percent in fiscal years 1992 and 1993, and 15 percent in fiscal years 1994 and 1995”; and
 - (2) by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The Secretary shall not require the plan of a State agency to provide for the participation of a number of recipients greater than 10 percent in fiscal years 1992 and 1993, and 15 percent in fiscal years 1994 and 1995, of the persons who are subject to employment requirements under this section and who are not exempt under subparagraph (D).”.

SEC. 908. SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS, AND STUDY, OF FOOD STAMP PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS.

(a) **SUSPENSION OF REQUIREMENTS.**—

7 USC 2016 note.

(1) **STAGGERED ISSUANCE OF COUPONS.**—No State agency shall be required to implement section 7(h)(1) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2016(h)(1)), regarding the staggering of issuance of food stamp coupons, until April 1, 1993. The Secretary of Agriculture shall issue final regulations requiring the staggered issuance of coupons no later than December 1, 1992.

Regulations.

7 USC 2015 note.

(2) **EXEMPTION FROM MONTHLY REPORTING SYSTEMS.**—No State agency shall be required to exempt households residing on Indian reservations from food stamp program monthly reporting systems until April 1, 1993. The Secretary shall issue final regulations requiring the exemption of households residing on Indian reservations from food stamp program monthly reporting systems no later than December 1, 1992.

Regulations.

(b) **STUDY.**—

Reports.

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall report to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives on the difficulties that residents of Indian reservations experience in obtaining food stamp benefits, in using food stamp benefits, and in purchasing food economically with food stamps.

(2) **COMPONENTS.**—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Comptroller General shall—

(A) examine whether monthly reporting requirements are a burden to food stamp households residing on Indian reservations;

(B) examine whether prices at food stores serving reservations are increased during the parts of months when food stamps are issued or are decreased during times of the month when most households have exhausted their food stamp allotments;

(C) examine whether eligible households residing on reservations would prefer that the households' food stamp issuances be—

(i) staggered throughout the month;

(ii) concentrated on the same day of each month; or

(iii) staggered during approximately the first 2 weeks of the month; and

(D) analyze problems associated with transportation difficulties in terms of food stamp program participation and

any actions that could be taken at the Federal, State, or local level to remedy the problems.

(3) **CONSULTATION.**—In completing the report and recommendations, the Comptroller General shall consult with Indian tribes, State agencies, and other appropriate parties.

SEC. 909. VALUE OF ALLOTMENT.

Section 8(b) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2017(b)) is amended—

(1) by striking “the allotment provided any eligible household” and inserting “benefits that may be provided under this Act, whether through coupons, access devices, or otherwise”; and

(2) by striking “an allotment” and inserting “benefits”.

SEC. 910. PRORATING WITHIN A CERTIFICATION PERIOD.

Section 8(c) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2017(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by adding at the end the following new sentence: “Households shall receive full months’ allotments for all months within a certification period, except as provided in the first sentence of this paragraph with respect to an initial month.”; and

(2) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “previous participation in such program” and inserting “the expiration of a certification period or after the termination of the certification of a household, during a certification period, when the household ceased to be eligible after notice and an opportunity for a hearing under section 11(e)(10)”.

SEC. 911. RECOVERY OF CLAIMS CAUSED BY NONFRAUDULENT HOUSEHOLD ERRORS.

The first sentence of section 13(b)(2)(A) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2022(b)(2)(A)) is amended by inserting before the period the following: “, except that the household shall be given notice permitting it to elect another means of repayment and given 10 days to make such an election before the State agency commences action to reduce the household’s monthly allotment”.

SEC. 912. DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS FOR VEHICLE EXCLUSION LIMIT. 7 USC 2026 note.

The Secretary of Agriculture shall solicit requests to participate in the demonstration projects required by section 17(h) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2026(h)) by May 1, 1992. The projects shall commence operations no later than January 1, 1993.

SEC. 913. DEFINITION OF RETAIL FOOD STORE.

Section 11002(f)(3) of the Homeless Eligibility Clarification Act (Public Law 99-570; 7 U.S.C. 2012 note) is amended by striking “and (b)” and inserting “, (b), and (c)”.

Subtitle B—Commodity Distribution

SEC. 921. EXTENSION OF ELDERLY COMMODITY PROCESSING DEMONSTRATIONS.

Section 1114(a)(2)(D) of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (7 U.S.C. 1431e(2)(D)) is amended by striking “1992 and 1993” and inserting “1992, 1993, and 1994”.

SEC. 922. REDUCTION OF FEDERAL PAPERWORK FOR DISTRIBUTION OF COMMODITIES.

(a) HUNGER PREVENTION ACT.—Section 110 of the Hunger Prevention Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 612c note) is amended—

(1) in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (c), by inserting after “to needy persons” each place it appears the following: “and to other institutions that can demonstrate, in accordance with subsection (j)(3), that they serve predominantly needy persons”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsections:

Homeless.

“(j) PRIORITY SYSTEM FOR STATE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMODITIES.—

“(1) SOUP KITCHENS.—In distributing commodities under this section, the distributing agency, under procedures determined appropriate by the distributing agency, shall offer, or otherwise make available, its full allocation of commodities for distribution to soup kitchens and other like organizations that serve meals to homeless persons, and to food banks for distribution to such organizations.

“(2) INSTITUTIONS THAT SERVE ONLY LOW-INCOME RECIPIENTS.—If distributing agencies determine that they will not likely exhaust their allocation of commodities under this section through distribution to institutions referred to in paragraph (1), the distributing agencies shall make the remaining commodities available to food banks for distribution to institutions that distribute commodities to the needy. When such institutions distribute commodities to individuals for home consumption, eligibility for such commodities shall be determined through a means test as determined appropriate by the State distributing agency.

Disadvantaged.

“(3) OTHER INSTITUTIONS.—If the distributing agency’s commodity allocation is not likely to be exhausted after distribution under paragraphs (1) and (2) (as determined by the food bank), food banks may distribute the remaining commodities to institutions that serve meals to needy persons and do not employ a means test to determine eligibility for such meals, provided that the organizations have documented, to the satisfaction of the food bank, that the organizations do, in fact, serve predominantly needy persons.

“(k) SETTLEMENT AND ADJUSTMENT OF CLAIMS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary or a designee of the Secretary shall have the authority to—

“(A) determine the amount of, settle, and adjust any claim arising under this section; and

“(B) waive such a claim if the Secretary determines that to do so will serve the purposes of this section.

“(2) LITIGATION.—Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to diminish the authority of the Attorney General of the United States under section 516 of title 28, United States Code, to conduct litigation on behalf of the United States.”.

(b) EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE ACT.—The Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 612c note) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“SEC. 215. SETTLEMENT AND ADJUSTMENT OF CLAIMS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary or a designee of the Secretary shall have the authority to—

“(1) determine the amount of, settle, and adjust any claim arising under this Act; and

“(2) waive such a claim if the Secretary determines that to do so will serve the purposes of this Act.

“(b) LITIGATION.—Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to diminish the authority of the Attorney General of the United States under section 516 of title 28, United States Code, to conduct litigation on behalf of the United States.”.

(c) COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM.—Section 5 of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c note) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(k)(1) The Secretary or a designee of the Secretary shall have the authority to—

“(A) determine the amount of, settle, and adjust any claim arising under the commodity supplemental food program; and

“(B) waive such a claim if the Secretary determines that to do so will serve the purposes of the program.

“(2) Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to diminish the authority of the Attorney General of the United States under section 516 of title 28, United States Code, to conduct litigation on behalf of the United States.”.

Subtitle C—Indian Subsistence Farming Demonstration Grant

7 USC 5930 note.

SEC. 931. PURPOSES.

The purposes of this subtitle are to—

(1) provide technical assistance and training through the Extension Service in the Department of Agriculture to Indian tribes and Alaska Natives for the development and operation of subsistence farming programs to improve the nutritional health of Indians living on or near Indian reservations;

(2) establish the Indian subsistence farming demonstration grant program within the Department of Agriculture; and

(3) provide a supplemental source of fresh produce for Indians and Alaska Natives who—

(A) have special dietary needs;

(B) are participating in—

(i) the food stamp program established under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.); or

(ii) the food distribution program on Indian reservations established under section 4(b) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2013(b)); or

(C) have income below 185 percent of the poverty line referred to in section 5(c)(1) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(c)(1)).

SEC. 932. DEFINITIONS.

For the purposes of this subtitle:

(1) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT.—The term “eligible recipient” means an Indian who—

(A) is identified by the Secretary as having special dietary needs;

(B) is participating in—

(i) the food stamp program established under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.); or
 (ii) the food distribution program on Indian reservations established under section 4(b) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2013(b)); or

(C) has income below 185 percent of the poverty line referred to in section 5(c)(1) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(c)(1)).

(2) **INDIAN.**—The term “Indian” means a person who is a member of an Indian tribe, or who is an Alaska Native and a member of a Regional Corporation (as defined in section 3(g) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1602(g)).

(3) **INDIAN RESERVATION.**—The term “Indian reservation” has the same meaning given to the term “reservation” under section 3(d) of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 1452(d)).

(4) **INDIAN TRIBE.**—The term “Indian tribe” means any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community (including any Alaska Native village, Regional Corporation, or Regional Corporation (as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)), which is recognized as eligible for the special services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.

(5) **INTER-TRIBAL CONSORTIUM.**—The term “inter-tribal consortium” means a partnership between—

(A) an Indian tribe or tribal organization on an Indian reservation; and

(B) one or more Indian tribes or tribal organizations of other Indian tribes.

(6) **PROGRAM.**—The term “program” means any subsistence farming program funded or assisted under this subtitle.

(7) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

SEC. 933. INDIAN SUBSISTENCE FARMING DEMONSTRATION GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary may establish an Indian subsistence farming demonstration grant program that provides grants to any Indian tribe, or intertribal consortium, for the establishment on Indian reservations of subsistence farming operations that grow fresh produce for distribution to eligible recipients.

(b) **APPLICATION.**—Any Indian tribe or tribal consortium may submit to the Secretary an application for a grant under this subtitle. Any such application shall—

(1) be in such form as the Secretary may prescribe;

(2) be submitted to the Secretary on or before the date designated by the Secretary; and

(3) specify—

(A) the nature and scope of the subsistence farming project proposed by the applicant;

(B) the extent to which the project plans to use or incorporate existing resources and services available on the reservation; and

(C) the number of Indians who are projected as eligible recipients of produce grown under the project.

SEC. 934. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

The Extension Service may conduct, with respect to the projects established under this title, site surveys, workshops, short courses, training, and technical assistance on such topics as nutrition food preservation and preparation techniques, spacing, depth of seed placement, soil types, and other aspects of subsistence farming operations.

SEC. 935. TRIBAL CONSULTATION.

An Indian tribe participating in any subsistence farming program established under this subtitle shall consult with appropriate tribal and Indian Health Service officials regarding the specific dietary needs of the population to be served by the operation of the Indian subsistence farming project.

SEC. 936. USE OF GRANTS.

Funds provided under this subtitle may be used for—

- (1) the purchase or lease of agricultural machinery, equipment, and tools for the operation of the program;
- (2) the purchase of seeds, fertilizers, and such other resources as may be required for the operation of the program;
- (3) the construction of greenhouses, fences, and other structures or facilities;
- (4) accounting and distribution of produce grown under the program; and
- (5) the employment of persons for the management and operation of the program.

SEC. 937. AMOUNT AND TERM OF GRANT.

(a) **AMOUNT.**—The maximum amount of any grant awarded under this subtitle shall not exceed \$50,000.

(b) **TERM.**—The maximum term of any grant awarded under this subtitle shall be 3 years.

SEC. 938. OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

Each recipient of a grant awarded under this subtitle shall—

- (1) furnish the Secretary with such information as the Secretary may require to—
 - (A) evaluate the program for which the grant is made;
 - (B) ensure that the grant funds are expended for the purposes for which the grant was made; and
 - (C) ensure that the produce grown is distributed to eligible recipients on the reservation; and
- (2) submit to the Secretary at the close of the term of the grant a final report that shall include such information as the Secretary may require.

Reports.

SEC. 939. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subtitle \$2,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1993 through 1995.

Subtitle D—Technical Amendments

SEC. 941. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD STAMP ACT OF 1977.

The Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) is amended—

- (1) in section 3 (7 U.S.C. 2012)—

- (A) in subsection (j), by striking “section 3(p) of this Act” and inserting “subsection (p)”;
- (B) in subsection (o)(6), by striking “per centun” and inserting “percent”; and
- (C) by redesignating subsection (u) as subsection (t);
- (2) in section 5 (7 U.S.C. 2014)—
 - (A) in subsection (d)(2), by striking “section 5(f) of this Act” and inserting “subsection (f)”;
 - (B) in subsection (h)(1), by striking “Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act” and inserting “Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.)”; and
 - (C) in subsection (k)(2), by moving the margin of subparagraph (E) to the left so as to align with the margin of subparagraph (D);
- (3) in section 6 (7 U.S.C. 2015)—
 - (A) in subsection (c)(1)(A), by moving the margin of clause (i) to the left so as to align with the margin of clause (i);
 - (B) in subsection (d)(1)(A)—
 - (i) by striking “who is physically” and inserting “who is a physically”;
 - (ii) by striking “Secretary;” in clause (i) and all that follows through “refuses” in clause (ii) and inserting “Secretary; (ii) refuses”; and
 - (iii) by striking “two months” in clause (ii) and all that follows through “refuses” in clause (iii) and inserting “two months; or (iii) refuses”;
 - (C) in subsection (d)(4)(B)(vii)—
 - (i) by striking “Secretary,” and inserting “Secretary,”; and
 - (ii) by striking “aimed an” and inserting “aimed at”;
 - (D) in subsection (d)(4)(D)(iii), by striking “clauses (i) or (ii)” and inserting “clause (i) or (ii)”;
 - (E) in subsection (d)(4)(I)(i)(II)—
 - (i) by striking “601 et seq.)” and inserting “601 et seq.”; and
 - (ii) by striking “, but in” and inserting “), but in”;
- (4) in section 9(a)(1) (7 U.S.C. 2018(a)(1)), by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively;
- (5) in section 11(e) (7 U.S.C. 2020(e))—
 - (A) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;
 - (B) in paragraph (3)—
 - (i) in subparagraph (D), by inserting a close parenthesis after “section 6”; and
 - (ii) in subparagraph (E), by striking “verified under this Act, and that the State agency shall provide the household” and inserting “verified under this Act, and that the State agency shall provide the household”; and
 - (C) in paragraph (15), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;
- (6) in section 11 (7 U.S.C. 2020), by redesignating subsection (p) as subsection (b) and transferring such subsection to the location after subsection (a);
- (7) in section 16 (7 U.S.C. 2025)—

- (A) in subsection (g), by inserting a comma after “1991”; and
- (B) in subsection (h)(4), by striking “the Act” and inserting “this Act”;
- (8) in the first sentence of section 17(b)(3)(C) (7 U.S.C. 2026(b)(3)(C)), by striking “402(g)(1)(A)” and inserting “402(g)(1)(A)”;
- (9) in section 19(b)(1)(A)(i) (7 U.S.C. 2028(b)(1)(A)(i)), by striking “directly.” and inserting “directly”;
- (10) in section 20(g)(2) (7 U.S.C. 2029(g)(2))—
 - (A) by moving the margins of subparagraphs (A) and (B) 2 ems to the left; and
 - (B) in subparagraph (B), by moving the margins of clauses (i) and (ii) 2 ems to the left; and
- (11) in section 22 (7 U.S.C. 2031)—
 - (A) by inserting the following section heading above the section designation:

“FOOD STAMP PORTION OF MINNESOTA FAMILY INVESTMENT PLAN”;

- (B) in subsection (d)(2)(B), by striking “paragraph (b)(3)(D)(iii)” and inserting “subsection (b)(3)(D)(iii)”;
- and
- (C) in subsection (h), by striking “subsection b(12)” and inserting “subsection (b)(12)”.

SEC. 942. AMENDMENT RELATING TO THE HUNGER PREVENTION ACT OF 1988.

Section 1772(h)(5) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3809) is amended 7 USC 612c note. by striking “Relief” and inserting “Prevention”.

TITLE X—MISCELLANEOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

SEC. 1001. ORGANIC CERTIFICATION.

Title XXI of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3935) is amended—

- (1) in section 2105 (7 U.S.C. 6504), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting “; and”;
- (2) in section 2110 (7 U.S.C. 6509)—
 - (A) in subsection (d)(1)(B), by striking “paracitocides” and inserting “parasitocides”; and
 - (B) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (g);
- (3) in section 2111(a)(1) (7 U.S.C. 6510(a)(1)), by striking “post harvest” and inserting “postharvest”;
- (4) in section 2112(b) (7 U.S.C. 6511(b)), by striking “PRE-HARVEST” and inserting “PREHARVEST”;
- (5) in section 2116(j)(2) (7 U.S.C. 6515(j)(2)), by striking “certifying such” and inserting “such certifying”;
- (6) in section 2118(c)(1)(B)(i) (7 U.S.C. 6517(c)(1)(B)(i)), by striking “paracitocides” and inserting “parasitocides”; and
- (7) in section 2119(a) (7 U.S.C. 6518(a)), by striking “(to” and inserting “to”;
- (8) in section 2120(f) (7 U.S.C. 6519(f)), by inserting a comma after “et seq.” the first place it appears; and

(9) in section 2121(b) (7 U.S.C. 6520(b)), by striking "District Court for the District" and inserting "district court for the district".

SEC. 1002. AGRICULTURAL FELLOWSHIPS.

Section 1543(e) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 3293; 104 Stat. 3694) is amended by striking "Program" and inserting "program".

SEC. 1003. OUTREACH AND ASSISTANCE FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS AND RANCHERS.

Section 2501 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(3), by striking "section" and inserting "subsection";

(2) in subsection (c)(1)(C), by inserting "program" after "agricultural"; and

(3) in subsection (d)(3), by striking "Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act," and inserting "Not later than November 28, 1991,".

SEC. 1004. PROTECTION OF PETS.

Section 28(b)(2)(F) of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2158(b)(2)(F)) is amended by striking "subsection (b)" and inserting "subsection (a)".

SEC. 1005. CRITICAL AGRICULTURAL MATERIALS.

The Critical Agricultural Materials Act (7 U.S.C. 178 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 5(b)(9) (7 U.S.C. 178c(b)(9)), by striking the first comma after "industrial purposes"; and

(2) in section 11 (7 U.S.C. 178i), by striking "insure" both places it appears and inserting "ensure".

SEC. 1006. AMENDMENTS TO FIFRA AND RELATED PROVISIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act is amended—

(1) in section 2(e)(1) (7 U.S.C. 136(e)(1))—

(A) by striking "section 4" and inserting "section 11";

(B) by striking "use" in the second sentence and inserting "uses"; and

(C) by striking "section 2(ee) of this Act" and inserting "subsection (ee)";

(2) in section 2(q)(2)(A)(i) (7 U.S.C. 136(q)(2)(A)(i)), by striking "size of form" and inserting "size or form";

(3) in section 3(c)(1) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(1))—

(A) by striking subparagraphs (E) and (F);

(B) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as subparagraph (F);

(C) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the following:

"(D) the complete formula of the pesticide;

"(E) a request that the pesticide be classified for general use or for restricted use, or for both; and"; and

(D) in subparagraph (F) (as so redesignated)—

(i) by striking "(i) with" and inserting "(i) With";

(ii) by striking the semicolon at the end of clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) and inserting a period;

- (iii) by striking “(ii) except” and inserting “(ii) Except”; and
 - (iv) by striking “(iii) after” and inserting “(iii) After”;
 - (4) by conforming the left margin of paragraph (3) of section 4(f) (7 U.S.C. 136a-1(f)) to the left margin of the preceding paragraph;
 - (5) in section 6(f)(3)(B) (7 U.S.C. 136d(f)(3)(B)), by striking “an unreasonable adverse affect” and inserting “an unreasonable adverse effect”;
 - (6) in section 11 (7 U.S.C. 136i)—
 - (A) in the section heading, by striking “APPLICATORS” and inserting “APPLICATORS”;
 - (B) in subsection (b), by striking “this paragraph” each place it appears and inserting “subsection (a)(2)”;
 - (C) in subsection (c), by striking “subsections (a) and (b)” and inserting “subsection (a)”;
 - (7) in section 12(a)(2) (7 U.S.C. 136j(a)(2))—
 - (A) by striking “thereunder. It” in subparagraph (F) and inserting “thereunder, except that it”;
 - (B) by striking “or” at the end of subparagraph (O); and
 - (C) by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (P) and inserting a semicolon;
 - (8) in section 14(a)(2) (7 U.S.C. 136l(a)(2))—
 - (A) by striking “: *Provided, That*” and inserting “, except that”; and
 - (B) by striking “use” and inserting “uses”;
 - (9) in section 17(a) (7 U.S.C. 136o), by removing the last sentence from paragraph (2) and placing it as full measure sentence under such paragraph;
 - (10) in section 20(a) (7 U.S.C. 136r(a)), by striking “insure” and inserting “ensure”; and
 - (11) in section 26(c) (7 U.S.C. 136w-1(c)), by striking “use” and inserting “uses”.
- (b) GENDER.—
- (1) Such Act is amended by striking “he” each place it appears in sections 3(c)(2)(A), 3(c)(5), 3(c)(6), 3(d)(1)(A), 3(d)(1)(B), 3(d)(1)(C), 3(d)(2), 5(b), 5(e), 5(f), 6(a)(1), 6(b), 6(c)(1), 6(c)(3), 7(b), 8(a), 9(c)(3), 10(c), 11(b), 16(b), 16(d), 18, 20(a), 21(b), 25(a)(3), 25(b), 25(c)(5), and 25(d) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(2)(A), 136a(c)(5), 136a(c)(6), 136a(d)(1)(A), 136a(d)(1)(B), 136a(d)(1)(C), 136a(d)(2), 136c(b), 136c(e), 136c(f), 136d(a)(1), 136d(b), 136d(c)(1), 136d(c)(3), 136e(b), 136f(a), 136g(c)(3), 136h(c), 136i(b), 136n(b), 136n(d), 136p, 136r(a), 136s(b), 136w(a)(3), 136w(b), 136w(c)(5), and 136w(d)) and inserting “the Administrator”.
 - (2) Such Act is amended by striking “his” each place it appears in sections 3(c)(2)(A), 3(c)(3)(A), 3(c)(6), 6(b), 6(c)(1), 6(d), 10(b), 11(a)(2), 16(b), 17(c), 18, 21(b), and 25(c)(4) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(2)(A), 136a(c)(3)(A), 136a(c)(6), 136d(b), 136d(c)(1), 136d(d), 136h(b), 136i(a)(2), 136n(b), 136o(c), 136p, 136s(b), and 136w(c)(4)) and inserting “the Administrator’s”.
 - (3) Such Act is amended—
 - (A) in section 2(e)(2) (7 U.S.C. 136(e)(2)), by striking “him or his” and inserting “the applicator or the applicator’s”;
 - (B) in section 2(e)(3), by striking “he” and inserting “the applicator”;
 - (C) in section 6(a)(2) (7 U.S.C. 136d(a)(2)), by striking “he” and inserting “the registrant”;

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(D) in section 6(c)(3), by striking "him" and inserting "the Administrator";

(E) in section 6(d), by striking "him" and inserting "the Administrator";

(F) in section 7(c)(1) (7 U.S.C. 136e(c)(1)), by striking "he" each place it appears and inserting "the producer";

(G) in section 7(c)(2)—

(i) by striking "him" and inserting "the Administrator"; and

(ii) by striking "he" and inserting "the producer";

(H) in the fourth sentence of section 9(a)(2) (7 U.S.C. 136g(a)(2)), by striking "he" and inserting "the officer or employee";

(I) in the third sentence of section 9(c)(1), by striking "his" and inserting "the person's";

(J) in section 10(a) (7 U.S.C. 136h(a)), by striking "his" and inserting "the applicant's";

(K) in section 11(a)(1) (7 U.S.C. 136i(a)(1))—

(i) in the ninth sentence, by striking "his" and inserting "the applicator"; and

(ii) in the last sentence, by striking "him" and inserting "the Administrator";

(L) in section 12(a)(2)(C) (7 U.S.C. 136j(a)(2)(C))—

(i) by striking "his" and inserting "the person's"; and

(ii) by striking "he" and inserting "the person";

(M) in section 12(a)(2)(D), by striking "his" and inserting "the person's";

(N) in section 12(b)(1)—

(i) by striking "he" and inserting "the person";

(ii) by striking "him" and inserting "the person";

(O) in section 12(b)(3), by striking "his official duties" and inserting "the official duties of the public official"; and

(P) in the second sentence of section 16(b) (7 U.S.C. 136n(b)), by striking "him" and inserting "the Administrator".

(c) **UNEXECUTABLE AMENDMENT.**—The phrase sought to be struck in section 102(b)(2)(A) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act Amendments of 1988 (Public Law 100-532; 102 Stat. 2667) shall be deemed to be "an end-use product".

(d) **RECORDKEEPING.**—Section 1491 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 136i-1) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "(7 U.S.C. 136a(d)(1)(C))" and inserting "(7 U.S.C. 136a(d)(1)(C))"; and

(2) in subsection (d)(1), by inserting "of" after "fine".

(e) **MAINTENANCE FEE.**—Paragraph (5) of section 4(i) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136a-1(i)(5)) is amended to read as follows:

"(5) **MAINTENANCE FEE.**—

"(A) Subject to other provisions of this paragraph, each registrant of a pesticide shall pay an annual fee by January 15 of each year of—

"(i) \$650 for the first registration; and

"(ii) \$1,300 for each additional registration, except that no fee shall be charged for more than 200 registrations held by any registrant.

"(B) In the case of a pesticide that is registered for a minor agricultural use, the Administrator may reduce or

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waive the payment of the fee imposed under this paragraph if the Administrator determines that the fee would significantly reduce the availability of the pesticide for the use.

“(C) The amount of each fee prescribed under subparagraph (A) shall be adjusted by the Administrator to a level that will result in the collection under this paragraph of, to the extent practicable, an aggregate amount of \$14,000,000 each fiscal year.

“(D) The maximum annual fee payable under this paragraph by—

“(i) a registrant holding not more than 50 pesticide registrations shall be \$55,000; and

“(ii) a registrant holding over 50 registrations shall be \$95,000.

“(E)(i) For a small business, the maximum annual fee payable under this paragraph by—

“(I) a registrant holding not more than 50 pesticide registrations shall be \$38,500; and

“(II) a registrant holding over 50 pesticide registrations shall be \$66,500.

“(ii) For purposes of clause (i), the term ‘small business’ means a corporation, partnership, or unincorporated business that—

“(I) has 150 or fewer employees; and

“(II) during the 3-year period prior to the most recent maintenance fee billing cycle, had an average annual gross revenue from chemicals that did not exceed \$40,000,000.

“(F) If any fee prescribed by this paragraph with respect to the registration of a pesticide is not paid by a registrant by the time prescribed, the Administrator, by order and without hearing, may cancel the registration.

“(G) The authority provided under this paragraph shall terminate on September 30, 1997.”

Termination
date.

(f) REGISTRATION AND EXPEDITED PROCESSING FUND.—Section 4(k)(3)(A) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 136a-1(k)(3)(A)) is amended by striking “each fiscal year not more than \$2,000,000 of the amounts in the fund” and inserting “for each of the fiscal years 1992, 1993, and 1994, 1/7th of the maintenance fees collected, up to \$2 million each year”.

SEC. 1007. GRAIN STANDARDS.

The United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 3 (7 U.S.C. 75), by striking “The” in subsections (i), (j), (k), (u), (v), (w), (x), (z), and (aa) and inserting “the”;

(2) in section 16(a) (7 U.S.C. 87e(a)), by striking “Adminisrtror.” in the second sentence and inserting “Administrator.”; and

(3) in section 17B(a) (7 U.S.C. 87f-2(a))—

(A) by striking “The” and inserting “On December 1 of each year, the”;

(B) by striking “committee on Agriculture” and inserting “Committee on Agriculture”; and

(C) by striking “one year” and all that follows through “such committees”.

SEC. 1008. PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS.

The Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) is amended—

- (1) in section 202(c) (7 U.S.C. 192(c)), by striking “dealer. any” and inserting “dealer, any”; and
- (2) in section 406(b)(2) (7 U.S.C. 227(b)(2)), by striking the comma after “unmanufactured form,”.

SEC. 1009. REDUNDANT LANGUAGE IN WAREHOUSE ACT.

Section 17(c)(1)(B) of the United States Warehouse Act (7 U.S.C. 259(c)(1)(B)) is amended by striking “, or to a specified person”.

7 USC 2006f
note.

SEC. 1010. CLARIFICATION OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Agriculture is directed immediately to implement the establishment within the Department of Agriculture of the Rural Development Administration established by subtitle A of title XXIII of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2006f et seq.) and the amendments made by such subtitle.

SEC. 1011. PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.

The Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930 (7 U.S.C. 499a et seq.), is amended—

- (1) in the first section (7 U.S.C. 499a)—
 - (A) by striking out “That when used in this Act—” and inserting the following:

“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND DEFINITIONS.

“(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the ‘Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930’.

“(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—For purposes of this Act:”;

- (B) by striking the semicolon at the end of paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (9) and inserting a period;
- (2) in section 4(a) (7 U.S.C. 499d(a)), by striking “anual” in the material before the first proviso and inserting “annual”;
- (3) in section 5(c)(2) (7 U.S.C. 499e(c)(2)), by striking “(as” and inserting “, as”;
- (4) in section 6 (7 U.S.C. 499f)—
 - (A) by adding a period at the end of subsection (c); and
 - (B) by striking the semicolon at the end of subsection (d) and inserting a period;
- (5) in section 7 (7 U.S.C. 499g), by striking the semicolon at the end of subsections (a), (b), and (c) and inserting a period;
- (6) in section 8(a) (7 U.S.C. 499h(a))—
 - (A) by redesignating paragraphs (a) and (b) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively; and
 - (B) by striking the semicolon at the end of the subsection and inserting a period;
- (7) in section 14(a) (7 U.S.C. 499n(a))—
 - (A) by striking “(7 U.S.C., Supp. 2, secs. 1 to 17 (a))” and inserting “(7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.)”; and
 - (B) by striking the semicolon at the end of the subsection and inserting a period; and
- (8) by striking section 18 (7 U.S.C. 499r).

Perishable
Agricultural
Commodities
Act, 1930.

SEC. 1012. EGG PRODUCTS INSPECTION.

Consumer
protection.
Business and
industry.
21 USC 1031
note.

(a) FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.—

(1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(A) food borne illness is a serious health problem;

(B) its incidence can be reduced through proper handling of food; and

(C) eggs are perishable and therefore are particularly susceptible to supporting microbial growth if proper temperature controls are not maintained.

(2) PURPOSES.—It is the purpose of this section to prescribe the temperature at which eggs are maintained in order to reduce the potential for harmful microbial growth to protect the health and welfare of consumers.

(b) INSPECTION OF EGG PRODUCTS.—Section 5 of the Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1034) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(e)(1) Subject to paragraphs (2), (3), and (4), the Secretary shall make such inspections as the Secretary considers appropriate of a facility of an egg handler (including a transport vehicle) to determine if shell eggs destined for the ultimate consumer—

“(A) are being held under refrigeration at an ambient temperature of no greater than 45 degrees Fahrenheit after packing; and

“(B) contain labeling that indicates that refrigeration is required.

“(2) In the case of a shell egg packer packing eggs for the ultimate consumer, the Secretary shall make an inspection in accordance with paragraph (1) at least once each calendar quarter.

“(3) The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall cause such inspections to be made as the Secretary considers appropriate to ensure compliance with the requirements of paragraph (1) at food manufacturing establishments, institutions, and restaurants, other than plants packing eggs.

“(4) The Secretary shall not make an inspection as provided in paragraph (1) on any egg handler with a flock of not more than 3,000 layers.

“(5) A representative of the Secretary and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall be afforded access to a place of business referred to in this subsection, including a transport vehicle, for purposes of making an inspection required under this subsection.”.

(c) PROHIBITED ACTS.—Section 8 of such Act (21 U.S.C. 1037) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (c) through (e) as subsections (d) through (f), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the following new subsection:

“(c) No egg handler shall possess any eggs after the eggs have been packed into a container that is destined for the ultimate consumer unless the eggs are stored and transported under refrigeration at an ambient temperature of no greater than 45 degrees Fahrenheit, as prescribed by rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary.”.

(d) PENALTIES.—Section 12 of such Act (21 U.S.C. 1041) is amended—

(1) in the first sentence of subsection (a), by striking “\$1,000” and inserting “\$5,000”;

(2) by designating the last sentence of subsection (a) as subsection (d) and transferring such subsection to the end of the section;

(3) by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (e) and transferring such subsection to the end of the section;

(4) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (b); and

(5) by inserting after subsection (b) the following new subsection:

“(c)(1)(A) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who violates any provision of this Act or any regulation issued under this Act, other than a violation for which a criminal penalty has been imposed under this Act, may be assessed a civil penalty by the Secretary of not more than \$5,000 for each such violation. Each violation to which this subparagraph applies shall be considered a separate offense.

“(B) No penalty shall be assessed against any person under this subsection unless the person is given notice and opportunity for a hearing on the record before the Secretary in accordance with sections 554 and 556 of title 5, United States Code.

“(C) The amount of the civil penalty imposed under this subsection—

“(i) shall be assessed by the Secretary, by written order, taking into account the gravity of the violation, degree of culpability, and history of prior offenses; and

“(ii) may be reviewed only as provided in paragraph (2).

“(2)(A) The determination and order of the Secretary under this subsection shall be final and conclusive unless the person against whom such a violation is found under paragraph (1) files an application for judicial review within 30 days after service of the order in the United States court of appeals for the circuit in which the person has its principal place of business or in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

“(B) Judicial review of any such order shall be based on the record on which the determination and order are based.

“(C) If the court determines that additional evidence needs to be taken, the court shall order the hearing to be reopened for this purpose in such manner and on such terms and conditions as the court considers proper. The Secretary may modify the findings of the Secretary as to the facts, or make new findings, on the basis of the additional evidence so taken.

“(3) If any person fails to pay an assessment of a civil penalty after the penalty has become a final and unappealable order, or after the appropriate court of appeals has entered a final judgment in favor of the Secretary, the Secretary shall refer the matter to the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall institute a civil action to recover the amount assessed in an appropriate district court of the United States. In the collection action, the validity and appropriateness of the Secretary's order imposing the civil penalty shall not be subject to review.

“(4) All penalties collected under this subsection shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States.

“(5) The Secretary may compromise, modify, or remit, with or without conditions, any civil penalty assessed under this subsection.

“(6) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to an official plant.”.

(e) **REPORTING OF VIOLATION TO UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR INSTITUTION OF CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.**—The last sentence of section 13 of such Act (21 U.S.C. 1042) is amended by inserting before

the period at the end the following: "or an action to assess civil penalties".

(f) **IMPORTS.**—Section 17(a) of such Act (21 U.S.C. 1046(a)) is amended—

(1) by designating the first, second, and third sentences as paragraphs (1), (2), and (4), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (2) (as so designated) the following new paragraph:

"(3) No eggs packed into a container that is destined for the ultimate consumer shall be imported into the United States unless the eggs are accompanied by a certification that the eggs have at all times after packaging been stored and transported under refrigeration at an ambient temperature of no greater than 45 degrees Fahrenheit, as required by sections 5(e) and 8(c)."

(g) **RELATION TO OTHER AUTHORITIES.**—The first sentence of section 23(b) of such Act (21 U.S.C. 1052(b)) is amended by striking "and (2)" and inserting the following: "(2) with respect to egg handlers specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 5(e), no State or local jurisdiction may impose temperature requirements pertaining to eggs packaged for the ultimate consumer which are in addition to, or different from, Federal requirements, and (3)".

(h) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section and the amendments made by this section shall become effective 12 months after the Secretary of Agriculture promulgates final regulations implementing this section and the amendments.

21 USC 1034
note.

SEC. 1013. PREVENTION OF INTRODUCTION OF BROWN TREE SNAKES TO HAWAII FROM GUAM.

7 USC 426 note.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Agriculture shall, to the extent practicable, take such action as may be necessary to prevent the inadvertent introduction of brown tree snakes into other areas of the United States from Guam.

(b) **INTRODUCTION INTO HAWAII.**—The Secretary shall initiate a program to prevent, to the extent practicable, the introduction of the brown tree snake into Hawaii from Guam. In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall consider the use of sniffer or tracking dogs, snake traps, and other preventative processes or devices at aircraft and vessel loading facilities on Guam, Hawaii, or intermediate sites serving as transportation points that could result in the introduction of brown tree snakes into Hawaii.

(c) **AUTHORITY.**—The Secretary shall use the authority provided under the Federal Plant Pest Act (7 U.S.C. 150aa et seq.) to carry out subsections (a) and (b).

(d) **CONTROL OF BROWN TREE SNAKES.**—The Act of March 2, 1931 (46 Stat. 1468, chapter 370; 7 U.S.C. 426) is amended by inserting "brown tree snakes," after "rabbits,".

(e) **IMPORTATION OF BROWN TREE SNAKES.**—The first sentence of section 42(a)(1) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting "brown tree snakes," after "reptiles,".

SEC. 1014. GRANT TO PREVENT AND CONTROL POTATO DISEASES.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds available to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the Department of Agriculture for fiscal year 1992 shall be made available as a grant in the amount of \$530,000 to the State of Maine Department of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Resources for potato disease detection, control, prevention, eradication and related activities, including the

payment of compensation to persons for economic losses associated with such efforts conducted or to be conducted in the State of Maine. Any unobligated balances of funds previously appropriated or allocated for potato disease efforts by the Secretary of Agriculture shall remain available until expended by the Secretary.

SEC. 1015. COLLECTION OF FEES FOR INSPECTION SERVICES.

Section 2509(a) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (21 U.S.C. 136a(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by striking “(1) QUARANTINE AND INSPECTION.—The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(1) QUARANTINE AND INSPECTION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”;

(B) by indenting 2 ems the left margin of paragraph (1); and

(C) by adding at the end the following new subparagraphs:

“(B) AIRPORT INSPECTION SERVICES.—For airport inspection services, the Secretary shall collect no more than \$69,000,000 in fiscal year 1992 and \$75,000,000 in fiscal year 1993 from international airline passengers and commercial aircraft operators.

“(C) COMMERCIAL TRUCK AND RAILROAD CAR INSPECTION SERVICES.—For commercial truck and railroad car inspection services, the Secretary shall collect no more than \$3,667,000 in fiscal year 1992 and \$3,890,000 in fiscal year 1993 from commercial truck and railroad car operators.

“(D) COSTS.—Fees, including fees from international airline passengers and commercial aircraft operators, may only be collected to the extent that the Secretary reasonably estimates that the amount of the fees are commensurate with the costs of agricultural quarantine and inspection services with respect to the class of persons or entities paying the fees. The costs of such services with respect to passengers as a class includes the costs of related inspections of the aircraft.”;

(2) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking clause (ii) and inserting the following new clause:

“(ii) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall use the Account to provide reimbursements to any appropriation accounts that incur the costs associated with the administration of this subsection and all other activities carried out by the Secretary at ports in the customs territory of the United States and at preclearance or preinspection sites outside the customs territory of the United States in connection with the enforcement of the animal quarantine laws. Any such reimbursement shall be subject to appropriations under clause (v).”; and

(3) in paragraph (4), by striking “The” and inserting “Subject to the limits set forth in paragraph (1), the”.

SEC. 1016. EXEMPTION AND STUDY OF CERTAIN FOOD PRODUCTS.

(a) AMENDMENTS TO FEDERAL MEAT INSPECTION ACT.—Section 23 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 623) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (d); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the following new subsection:

“(c)(1) Under such terms and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe through rules and regulations issued under section 24 that may be necessary to ensure food safety and protect public health such as special handling procedures, the Secretary shall exempt pizzas containing a meat food product from the inspection requirements of this Act if—

Regulations.

“(A) the meat food product components of the pizzas have been prepared, inspected, and passed in a cured or cooked form as ready-to-eat in compliance with the requirements of this Act; and

“(B) the pizzas are to be served in public or private nonprofit institutions.

“(2) The Secretary may withdraw or modify any exemption under this subsection whenever the Secretary determines such action is necessary to ensure food safety and to protect public health. The Secretary may reinstate or further modify any exemption withdrawn or modified under this subsection.”

(b) AMENDMENTS TO POULTRY PRODUCTS INSPECTION ACT.—Section 15 of the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 464) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (e) and (f), respectively;

(2) in subsection (e) (as so redesignated), by striking “(c)” and inserting “(d)”;

(3) by inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsection:

“(d)(1) Under such terms and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe through rules and regulations issued under this section that may be necessary to ensure food safety and protect public health such as special handling procedures, the Secretary shall exempt pizzas containing a poultry product from the inspection requirements of this Act if—

Regulations.

“(A) the poultry product components of the pizzas have been prepared, inspected, and passed in a cured or cooked form as ready-to-eat in compliance with the requirements of this Act; and

“(B) the pizzas are to be served in public or private nonprofit institutions.

“(2) The Secretary may withdraw or modify any exemption under this subsection whenever the Secretary determines such action is necessary to ensure food safety and to protect public health. The Secretary may reinstate or further modify any exemption withdrawn or modified under this subsection.”

(c) REGULATIONS.—No later than August 1, 1992, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue final rules, through prior notice and comment rulemaking procedures, to implement the exemption authorized by section 23(c) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (as added by subsection (a)) and the exemption authorized by section 15(d) of the Poultry Products Inspection Act (as added by subsection (b)). Prior to the issuance of the final rules, the Secretary shall hold at least one public hearing examining the public health and food safety issues raised by the granting of each of the exemptions.

21 USC 464 note.

(d) STUDIES.—

21 USC 464 note.

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 24 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the National Academy of Sciences, shall conduct—

(A) a study to develop criteria for, and evaluate, present and future inspection exemptions for meat food products and poultry products under the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.), respectively, which shall examine the potential effect on consumers, on the affected industries, on public health and food safety, on the role of the Department of Agriculture, and the scientific basis for the exemptions; and

(B) a study of the appropriateness of granting an exemption from the requirements of the Federal Meat Inspection Act or the Poultry Products Inspection Act, as appropriate, for wholesale meat outlets selling to hotels, restaurants, or other similar institutional users provided that the processing of meat by the outlets is limited to cutting, slicing, grinding, or repackaging into smaller quantities.

(2) **RESULTS.**—On completion of each study required under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall provide the results of the study to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate.

SEC. 1017. FEES FOR LABORATORY ACCREDITATION.

Section 1327 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 138f) is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 1327. FEES.

“(a) **IN GENERAL.**—At the time that an application for accreditation is received by the Secretary and annually thereafter, a laboratory seeking accreditation by the Secretary under the authority of this subtitle, the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), or the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.) shall pay to the Secretary a nonrefundable accreditation fee. All fees collected by the Secretary shall be credited to the account from which the expenses of the laboratory accreditation program are paid and, subject to subsection (e), shall be available immediately and remain available until expended to pay the expenses of the laboratory accreditation program.

“(b) **AMOUNT OF FEE.**—The fee required under this section shall be established by the Secretary in an amount that will offset the cost of the laboratory accreditation programs administered by the Secretary under the statutory authorities set forth in subsection (a).

“(c) **REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES.**—Each laboratory that is accredited under a statutory authority set forth in subsection (a) or that has applied for accreditation under such authority shall reimburse the Secretary for reasonable travel and other expenses necessary to perform onsite inspections of the laboratory.

“(d) **ADJUSTMENT OF FEES.**—The Secretary may, on an annual basis, adjust the fees imposed under this section as necessary to support the full costs of the laboratory accreditation programs carried out under the statutory authorities set forth in subsection (a).

“(e) APPROPRIATIONS PREREQUISITE.—No fees collected under this section may be used to offset the cost of laboratory accreditation without appropriations made under subsection (f).

“(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated each fiscal year such sums as may be necessary for laboratory accreditation services under this section.”.

SEC. 1018. STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.

(a) COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE.—The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 5(d) (16 U.S.C. 2103a(d)), by striking “State Foresters” each place it appears and inserting “State foresters”;

(2) in section 7 (16 U.S.C. 2103c)—

(A) in subsection (d)(2), by striking “Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section,” and inserting “Not later than November 28, 1991,”;

(B) in subsection (e), by striking “Within 1 year from the date of enactment of this section and in consultation with State Forest Stewardship Advisory Committees established under section 15(b)” and inserting “Not later than November 28, 1991, and in consultation with State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committees established under section 19(b)”;

(C) in subsection (f), by striking “subsection (d)” and inserting “subsection (e)”;

(3) in section 9 (16 U.S.C. 2105)—

(A) in subsection (g)(1)(C), by striking “subsection (e)” and inserting “subsection (f)”;

(B) in subsection (g)(3)(E), by striking “subsection (e)” and inserting “subsection (f)”;

(C) in subsection (h)(1), by striking “subsection (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”;

(D) in subsection (h)(2), by striking “subsection (f)(3)” and inserting “subsection (g)(3)”;

(4) in section 10(g)(2) (16 U.S.C. 2106(g)(2)), by striking “fire fighting organization” and inserting “firefighting organization”.

(b) COMMISSION ON STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTS.—Section 1245(g)(4) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3549; 16 U.S.C. 1601 note) is amended by striking “the Director of the Office Technology Assessment may furnish”.

(c) FOREST PRODUCTS INSTITUTE.—Section 1247(a) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3551; 16 U.S.C. 2112 note) is amended by striking “in this section” the second place it appears.

(d) RENEWABLE RESOURCES EXTENSION.—Section 3(a) of the Renewable Resources Extension Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 1672(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (8);

(2) by striking the period at the end of the first paragraph (9) (as added by section 1219(b)(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3539) and inserting “; and”;

(3) by redesignating the second paragraph (9) (as added by section 1251(b)(3) of such Act (104 Stat. 3552) as paragraph (10).

(e) AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL.—Section 1264(n)(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624;

104 Stat. 3556; 16 U.S.C. 2101 note) is amended by striking "this Act" and inserting "this subtitle".

(f) REFORESTATION ASSISTANCE.—Section 1271(c)(3)(C) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 104 Stat. 3558; 16 U.S.C. 2106a) is amended—

- (1) by inserting "(16 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.)" after "1978"; and
- (2) by striking "(16 U.S.C. 590h, 590l, or 590p)" and inserting "(16 U.S.C. 590p(b))".

SEC. 1019. REPEAL OF PUBLIC LAW 76-543.

7 USC 516, 517. Public Law 76-543 (54 Stat. 231) is hereby repealed.

TITLE XI—EFFECTIVE DATES

7 USC 1421 note. SEC. 1101. EFFECTIVE DATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this Act, this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) INCLUSION IN FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990.—The amendments made by the following provisions of this Act shall take effect as if included in the provision of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624) to which the amendment relates:

- (1) Section 201 (other than section 201(h)).
- (2) Section 307.
- (3) Subsections (a) through (c), (e), (h), and (i) of section 501.
- (4) Subsections (a), (b), (f) through (i), and (l) of section 502.
- (5) Section 602(c).
- (6) Section 701 (except as provided in subsection (c) of this section).
- (7) Section 702.
- (8) Section 703(c).

(c) MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT.—The amendments made by section 701(h) of this Act to any provision specified therein shall take effect as if such amendments had been included in the Act that added the provision so specified at the time such Act became law.

(d) FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, title IX of this Act, and the amendments made by title IX of this Act, shall take effect and be implemented no later than February 1, 1992.

(2) PASS ACCOUNTS EXCLUSION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by section 903(3) of this Act shall take effect on the earlier of—

- (i) the date of enactment of this Act;
- (ii) October 1, 1990, for food stamp households for which the State agency knew, or had notice, that a member of the household had a plan for achieving self-support as provided under section 1612(b)(4)(B)(iv) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1382a(b)(4)(B)(iv)); or
- (iii) beginning on the date that a fair hearing was requested under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) contesting the denial of an exclusion for food stamp purposes for amounts necessary for the fulfillment of such a plan for achieving self-support.

(B) LIMITATION ON APPLICATION OF SECTION.—Notwithstanding section 11(b) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (as redesignated by section 941(6) of this Act), no State agency shall be required to search its files for cases to which the amendment made by section 903(3) of this Act applies, except where the excludability of amounts described in section 5(d)(16) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (as added by section 903(3) of this Act) was raised with the State agency prior to the date of enactment of the Act.

(3) PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAMS.—The amendments made by section 908 of this Act shall take effect on September 30, 1991.

(4) RECOVERY OF CLAIMS CAUSED BY NONFRAUDULENT HOUSEHOLD ERRORS.—The amendment made by section 911 of this Act shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

(5) DEFINITION OF RETAIL FOOD STORE.—The amendment made by section 913 of this Act shall take effect on October 1, 1990, and shall not apply with respect to any period occurring before such date.

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