such redetermined quota, the Secretary of Agriculture shall, within thirty days after the date of the referendum, proclaim the result of the referendum and (1) no quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–1956 marketing year shall be effective thereafter, and (2) no price support shall be made available on the 1955 crop of burley tobacco.

Sec. 2. Public Law 528, Eighty-second Congress (66 Stat. 597), is hereby amended, effective for the 1956 and subsequent crops of burley tobacco, to read as follows: “The farm acreage allotment for burley tobacco for any year shall not be less than the smallest of (1) the allotment established for the farm for the immediately preceding year, (2) five-tenths of an acre, or (3) 10 per centum of the cropland: Provided, however, That no allotment of seven-tenths of an acre or less shall be reduced more than one-tenth of an acre in any one year. The additional acreage required under this Act shall be in addition to the State acreage allotments and the production on such acreage shall be in addition to the national marketing quota.”

Sec. 3. Section 313 (g) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding immediately after the first sentence thereof a new sentence to read as follows: “Any acreage of tobacco harvested in excess of the farm acreage allotment for the year 1955, or any subsequent crop shall not be taken into account in establishing State and farm acreage allotments.”

Sec. 4. The last sentence of section 313 (g) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding in the last sentence thereof immediately following the language “if proof of the disposition of any amount of tobacco is not furnished as required by the Secretary” the language “or if any producer on the farm files, or aids or acquiesces in the filing of, any false report with respect to the acreage of tobacco grown on the farm required by regulations issued pursuant to this Act”.

Sec. 5. Section 314 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is hereby amended, effective July 1, 1955, with respect to flue-cured tobacco, and October 1, 1955, with respect to other kinds of tobacco, by striking out the figure “50” therein and inserting in lieu thereof the figure “75”.

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ordinarily difficult living conditions, excessive physical hardship, or notably unhealthful conditions. The Secretary shall prepare and maintain a list of such posts."

Sec. 4. Section 517 of such Act is amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "A person who has not served in class 6 shall not be eligible for appointment as a Foreign Service officer of classes 1 to 5, inclusive, unless he has passed comprehensive mental and physical examinations prescribed by the Board of Examiners for the Foreign Service to determine his fitness and aptitude for the work of the Service; demonstrated his loyalty to the Government of the United States and his attachment to the principles of the Constitution; and rendered at least four years of actual service prior to appointment in a position of responsibility in the service of a Government agency, or agencies, except that, if he has reached the age of thirty-one years, the requirement as to service may be reduced to three years. After the date of enactment of the Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1955 and until otherwise provided by Act of Congress, not more than one thousand two hundred and fifty persons who have not served in class 6 may be appointed to classes 1 to 5, inclusive; of such persons, not more than forty may be appointed who were not employed on March 1, 1955, in the Department, including its Foreign Service Reserve and Foreign Service Staff personnel, and who have not also served in a position of responsibility in the Department, or the Service, or both, for the required period prior to appointment."

Sec. 5. Section 522 of such Act is amended by striking out in paragraphs (1) and (2) the word "four" wherever it appears therein and inserting the word "five" in lieu thereof; and by striking out in paragraph (1) the phrase "of a specialized character".

Sec. 6. (a) Section 571 (a) of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 571. (a) Any officer or employee of the Service may, in the discretion of the Secretary, be assigned or detailed for duty in any Government agency, such an assignment or combination of assignments to be for a period of not more than four years, except that under special circumstances the Secretary may extend this four-year period for not more than four additional years."

(b) Section 571 is further amended by adding at the end thereof a new subsection (e) which shall read as follows:

"(e) The salary of an officer or employee assigned pursuant to the terms of this section shall be paid from appropriations made available for the payment of salaries of officers and employees of the Service. Such appropriations may be reimbursed, however, when the Secretary enters into reimbursement agreements with heads of Government agencies for all or any part of the salaries of officers or employees assigned to such agencies and payment is received pursuant thereto, or when an officer or employee of the Service is assigned to a position the salary of which is payable from other funds available to the Department."

Sec. 7. Sections 633 and 634 of such Act, and the headings thereto under "Part D", are hereby repealed and the following headings and sections are hereby enacted in lieu thereof:

"SELECTION-OUT

"Sec. 633. (a) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations concerning—

"(1) the maximum period during which any Foreign Service officer below the class of career minister shall be permitted to remain in class without promotion; and
"(2) the standard of performance which any such officer must maintain to remain in the Service.

"(b) Any Foreign Service officer below the class of career minister who does not receive a promotion to a higher class within the specified period or who fails to meet the standard of performance required of officers of his class shall be retired from the Service and receive benefits in accordance with the provisions of section 634.

"SELECTION-OUT BENEFITS

"Sec. 634. (a) Any Foreign Service officer in classes 1, 2, or 3 who is retired from the Service in accordance with the provisions of section 633 shall receive retirement benefits in accordance with the provisions of section 521.

"(b) Any Foreign Service officer in classes 4 or 5 who is retired from the Service in accordance with the provisions of section 633 shall receive—

"(1) one-twelfth of a year's salary at his then current salary rate for each year of service and proportionately for a fraction of a year, but not exceeding a total of one year's salary at his then current salary rate, payable without interest, in three equal installments on the 1st day of January following the officer's retirement and on the two anniversaries of this date immediately following; and

"(2) a refund of the contributions made to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund, with interest thereon at 4 per centum, compounded annually, except that in lieu of such refund such officer may elect to receive retirement benefits on reaching the age of sixty-two, in accordance with the provisions of section 821. In the event that an officer who was separated from class 4 and who has elected to receive retirement benefits dies before reaching the age of sixty-two, his death shall be considered a death in service within the meaning of section 832. In the event that an officer who was separated from class 5 and who has elected to receive retirement benefits dies before reaching the age of sixty-two, the total amount of his contributions made to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund, with interest thereon at 4 per centum, compounded annually, shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of section 841.

"(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3477 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 203) or the provisions of any other law, a Foreign Service officer who is retired in accordance with the provisions of section 633 shall have the right to assign to any person or corporation the whole or any part of the benefits receivable by him pursuant to paragraph (b) (1) of this section. Any such assignment shall be on a form approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and a copy thereof shall be deposited with the Secretary of the Treasury by the officer executing the assignment.

"Sec. 8 (a) Section 852 (a) (2) of such Act is amended by inserting "Air Force," after "Marine Corps."

(b) Section 852 (b) of such Act is amended by deleting the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and adding the following: 

", except that no special contributions shall be required for periods of active military or naval service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard of the United States prior to becoming a participant."

(c) A special contribution to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund made by any participant on or after April 1, 1948
for the purpose of obtaining service credit in accordance with the provisions of section 852 (a) (2) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 for periods of active military or naval service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard of the United States shall be refunded. Such refund shall not include any interest covering the period such special contribution, or any part thereof, was on deposit in the fund.

SEC. 9. (a) Section 853 of such Act is amended by striking out the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and adding the following clause: "but no such extra credit for service at such unhealthful posts shall be credited to any participant who shall have been paid a salary differential in accordance with section 443, as amended, for such service performed subsequent to the date of enactment of the Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1955."

(b) Section 853 is further amended by striking out the last sentence of that section.

SEC. 10. (a) Section 901 (2) of such Act is amended by striking out the phrase "his post of assignment" at the end of paragraph (ii) of that section and substituting in lieu thereof the phrase "any post of assignment abroad or at a post of assignment in the continental United States between assignments to posts abroad".

(b) Section 901 (2) is further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph (iv) which shall read as follows:

"(iv) that extraordinary and necessary expenses, not otherwise compensated for, must be incurred by an officer or employee of the Service, by reason of his service abroad, in providing for adequate elementary and secondary education for his dependents; allowances under this subparagraph for any post shall not exceed the cost of obtaining such educational services as are ordinarily provided without charge by the public schools of the United States plus, in those cases where adequate schools are not available at the post, board and room, and periodic transportation between the post and the nearest locality where adequate schools are available; if any such officer or employee employs a less expensive method of providing such education, any allowance paid to him shall be reduced accordingly; no allowance shall be paid under this subparagraph for a dependent for whom a travel allowance has been paid under section 911 (9)."

SEC. 11. Section 911 of such Act is amended by changing the period in paragraph (8) to a semicolon and by adding at the end of the section the following new paragraph:

"(9) the travel expenses incurred by an officer or employee of the Service who is assigned to a foreign post, in transporting dependents to and from United States ports of entry designated by the Secretary, to obtain an American secondary or college education, not to exceed one trip each way for each dependent for the purpose of obtaining each type of education."
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CHAPTER 25

AN ACT

Relating to the use of storage space in the Clark Hill Reservoir for the purpose of providing the city of McCormick, South Carolina, a regulated water supply.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief of Engineers is hereby authorized to contract with the city of McCormick, South Carolina, upon such terms and for such period not to exceed fifty years as he may deem reasonable for the use of storage space in the Clark Hill Reservoir for the purpose of providing said city a regulated water supply in an amount not to exceed six hundred acre-feet of water annually, and is authorized to grant to the city of McCormick at no cost easement over Government lands at Clark Hill for the sole purpose of constructing necessary pipeline and pumping station, and the project for Clark Hill Dam authorized by the Act entitled “An Act authorizing the construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control, and for other purposes”, approved December 22, 1944, is hereby modified accordingly: Provided, That all moneys received shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts: Provided further, That nothing in this Act shall affect water rights under State law.

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Public Law 24

CHAPTER 26

AN ACT

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply supplemental appropriations (this Act may be cited as the “Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955”), for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes, namely:

CHAPTER I

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses” for plant and animal disease and pest control, $650,000, to be apportioned for use pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for the