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AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958, 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, for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958, namely:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

TITLE I—REGULAR ACTIVITIES

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to perform agricultural research relating to production and utilization, to control and eradicate pests and plant and animal diseases, and to perform related inspection, quarantine and regulatory work, and meat inspection: Provided, That not to exceed $75,000 of the appropriations hereunder shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U.S.C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a): Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed one for replacement only: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to title 5, United States Code, section 565a, for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of constructing any one building (except headhouses connecting greenhouses) shall not exceed $10,000, except for five buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed $20,000 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed $3,750 or 4 per centum of the cost of the building, whichever is greater:

Research: For research and demonstrations on the production and utilization of agricultural products, and related research and services, including administration of payments to State agricultural experiment stations; $57,794,890: Provided, That the limitations contained herein shall not apply to $1,955,000 for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings, and acquisition of necessary land therefor by donation or exchange, or at a cost not to exceed $5,000 for each facility;

Plant and animal disease and pest control: For operations and measures to control and eradicate pests and plant and animal diseases and for carrying out assigned inspection, quarantine and regulatory activities, as authorized by law; $26,082,000, of which $1,000,000 shall be apportioned for use pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for the control of outbreaks of insects and plant diseases under the joint resolution approved May 9, 1938 (7 U.S.C. 148-148e), and the Act of August 13, 1954 (7 U.S.C. 148), to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay the cost or value of trees, farm animals, farm crops, or other property injured or destroyed as a result of plant insect and disease control activities except potatoes and tomatoes as authorized under the Golden Nematode Act: Provided further, That,
in the discretion of the Secretary, no part of this appropriation shall be expended for the control of sweetpotato weevil in any State until such State has provided cooperation necessary to accomplish this purpose, or for barberry eradication until a sum or sums at least equal to such expenditures shall have been made available by States, counties, or local authorities, or by individuals or organizations for the accomplishment of this purpose, or with respect to the golden nematode except as prescribed in section 4 of the Golden Nematode Act;

Meat inspection: For carrying out the provisions of laws relating to Federal inspection of meat and meat-food products and the applicable provisions of the laws relating to process or renovated butter; $16,826,000.

STATE EXPERIMENT STATIONS

Payments to States, Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico: For payments to agricultural experiment stations to carry into effect the provisions of the Hatch Act, approved March 2, 1887 (7 U. S. C. 362, 363, 365, 368, 377-379), as amended by the Act approved August 11, 1955 (69 Stat. 671), including administration by the United States Department of Agriculture, $29,853,708; and payments authorized under section 204 (b) of the Agricultural Marketing Act, the Act approved August 14, 1946 (7 U. S. C. 1623), $500,000; in all $30,353,708.

Penalty mail: For penalty mail costs of agricultural experiment stations, under section 6 of the Hatch Act of 1887, as amended, $250,000.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS AND POULTRY

Eradication activities: For expenses necessary in the arrest and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious pleuropneumonia, or other contagious or infectious diseases of animals, or European fowl pest and similar diseases in poultry, and for foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest programs undertaken pursuant to the provisions of the Act of February 28, 1947, and the Act of May 29, 1884, as amended (7 U. S. C. 391; 21 U. S. C. 111-122), including expenses in accordance with section 2 of said Act of February 28, 1947, the Secretary may transfer from other appropriations or funds available to the bureaus, corporations, or agencies of the Department such sums as he may deem necessary, but not to exceed $1,270,000 for eradication of vesicular exanthema of swine, to be available only in an emergency which threatens the livestock or poultry industry of the country, and any unexpended balances of funds transferred under this head in the next preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such transferred amounts: Provided, That this appropriation shall be subject to applicable provisions contained in the item "Salaries and expenses, Agricultural Research Service".

EXTENSION SERVICE

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK, PAYMENTS AND EXPENSES

Payments to States, Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico: For payments for cooperative agricultural extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, as amended by the Act of June 26, 1953 (7 U. S. C. 341-348), and the Act of August 11, 1955 (69 Stat. 683-4), $49,220,000; and payments and contracts for such work under section 204 (b)-205 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U. S. C. 1623-1624), $1,495,000; in all, $50,715,000: Provided, That funds hereby appropriated pursuant to section 3 (c) of the Act of June 26, 1953, shall not be paid to any State, Hawaii, Alaska, or Puerto Rico prior to availability of an equal
sum from non-Federal sources for expenditure during the current fiscal year.

Retirement costs for extension agents: For cost of employer's share of Federal retirement for cooperative extension employees, $5,260,000.

Penalty mail: For costs of penalty mail for cooperative extension agents and State extension directors, $2,164,000.

Federal Extension Service: For administration of the Smith-Lever Act, as amended by the Act of June 26, 1953 (7 U. S. C. 341-348), and the Act of August 11, 1955 (69 Stat. 683-4), and extension aspects of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U. S. C. 1621-1627), and to coordinate and provide program leadership for the extension work of the Department and the several States, Territories, and insular possessions, $2,096,540.

**Farmer Cooperative Service**

For necessary expenses to carry out the Act of July 2, 1926 (7 U. S. C. 451-457), $578,000.

**Agricultural Marketing Service**

**Marketing Research and Service**

For expenses necessary to carry on research and service to improve and develop marketing and distribution relating to agriculture as authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U. S. C. 1621-1627) and other laws, including the administration of marketing regulatory acts connected therewith: Provided, That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 5 U. S. C. 505a for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of erecting any one building shall not exceed $10,000, except for two buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed $20,000 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed $3,750 or 3 per centum of the cost of the building, whichever is greater:

Marketing research and agricultural estimates: For research and development relating to agricultural marketing and distribution, for analyses relating to farm prices, income and population, and demand for farm products, for crop and livestock estimates, and for acquisition of land, $14,116,700: Provided, That not less than $350,000 of the funds contained in this appropriation shall be available to continue to gather statistics and conduct a special study on the price spread between the farmer and the consumer: Provided further, That no part of the funds herein appropriated shall be available for any expense incident to ascertaining, collating, or publishing a report stating the intention of farmers as to the acreage to be planted in cotton, or for estimates of apple production for other than the commercial crop:

Marketing services: For services relating to agricultural marketing and distribution, for carrying out regulatory acts connected therewith, and for administration and coordination of payments to States, $14,274,900, including not to exceed $25,000 for employment at rates not to exceed $50 per diem, except for employment in rate cases at not to exceed $100 per diem pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), in carrying out section 201 (a) to 201 (d), inclusive, of title II of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U. S. C. 1291) and section 203 (j) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.
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PAYMENTS TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS

For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus and departments of markets, and similar agencies for marketing activities under section 204 (b) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U. S. C. 1623 (b)), $1,160,000.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the National School Lunch Act (42 U. S. C. 1751–1760), $100,000,000: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for nonfood assistance under section 5 of said Act.

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

For necessary expenses for the Foreign Agricultural Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 908), and for enabling the Secretary to coordinate and integrate activities of the Department in connection with foreign agricultural work, including not to exceed $25,000 for representation allowances, and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956 (70 Stat. 1084), $4,002,300: Provided, That not less than $400,000 of the funds contained in this appropriation shall be available to obtain statistics and related facts on foreign production and full and complete information on methods used by other countries to move farm commodities in world trade on a competitive basis: Provided further, That provisions of the Act of August 1, 1956 (70 Stat. 890–892), and provisions of a similar nature in appropriation Acts of the Department of State for the current and subsequent fiscal years which facilitate the work of the Foreign Service shall be applicable to funds available to the Foreign Agricultural Service.

COMMODITY EXCHANGE AUTHORITY

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1–17a), $832,000.

COMMODITY STABILIZATION SERVICE

ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS AND MARKETING QUOTAS

For necessary expenses to formulate and carry out acreage allotment and marketing quota programs pursuant to provisions of title III of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1301–1393), $40,715,000, of which not more than $6,380,100 shall be transferred to the appropriation account “Administrative expenses, section 302, Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938”.

SUGAR ACT PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of the Sugar Act of 1948 (7 U. S. C. 1101–1160), $67,662,500, to remain available until June 30 of the next succeeding fiscal year: Provided, That expenditures (including transfers) from this appropriation for other than payments to sugar producers shall not exceed $2,124,500.

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

For operating and administrative expenses, $6,376,700.
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

To carry into effect the provisions of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U. S. C. 901-924), as follows:

LOAN AUTHORIZATIONS

For loans in accordance with said Act, and for carrying out the provisions of section 7 thereof, to be borrowed from the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions of section 3 (a) of said Act as follows: Rural electrification program, $179,000,000, of which not to exceed $20,000,000 shall be placed in reserve to be borrowed under the same terms and conditions to the extent that such amount is required during the fiscal year 1958 under the then existing conditions for the expeditious and orderly development of the rural electrification program; and rural telephone program, $60,000,000, of which not to exceed $10,000,000 shall be placed in reserve to be borrowed under the same terms and conditions to the extent that such amount is required during the fiscal year 1958 under the then existing conditions for the expeditious and orderly development of the rural telephone program.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For administrative expenses, including not to exceed $500 for financial and credit reports, and not to exceed $150,000 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $9,030,950.

FARMERS' HOME ADMINISTRATION


LOAN AUTHORIZATIONS

For loans (including payments in lieu of taxes and taxes under section 50 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, and advances incident to the acquisition and preservation of security of obligations under the foregoing several authorities, except that such advances under title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, shall be made from funds obtained under section 511 of that Act, as
amended): Title I and section 43 of title IV of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, $24,000,000, of which not to exceed $2,500,000 may be distributed to States and Territories without regard to farm population and prevalence of tenancy, in addition to the amount otherwise distributed thereto, for loans in reclamation projects and to entrymen on unpatented public land; title II of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, $180,000,000; the Act of August 28, 1937, as amended, $5,500,000: Provided, That not to exceed the foregoing several amounts shall be borrowed in one account from the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions set forth under this head in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1952.

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For making, servicing, and collecting loans and insured mortgages, the servicing and collecting of loans made under prior authority, the liquidation of assets transferred to Farmers' Home Administration, and other administrative expenses, $29,089,500, together with a transfer of not to exceed $950,000 of the fees and administrative expense charges made available by subsections (d) and (e) of section 12 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1005 (b)), and section 10 (c) of the Act of August 28, 1937, as amended.

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL**

For necessary expenses, including payment of fees or dues for the use of law libraries by attorneys in the field service, $2,943,000.

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

For expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture; expenses of the National Agricultural Advisory Commission; stationery, supplies, materials, and equipment; freight, express, and drayage charges; advertising of bids, communication service, postage, washing towels, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work of the Department of Agriculture; $2,660,660.

**OFFICE OF INFORMATION**

For necessary expenses of the Office of Information for the dissemination of agricultural information and the coordination of informational work and programs authorized by Congress in the Department, $1,367,500, of which total appropriation not to exceed $537,000 may be used for farmers' bulletins, which shall be adapted to the interests of the people of the different sections of the country, an equal proportion of four-fifths of which shall be delivered to or sent out under the addressed franks furnished by the Senators, Representatives, and Delegates in Congress, as they shall direct (7 U.S.C. 417) and not less than two hundred thirty thousand eight hundred and fifty copies for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives of part 2 of the annual report of the Secretary (known as the Yearbook of Agriculture) as authorized by section 78 of the Act of January 12, 1895 (44 U.S.C. 241): Provided, That in the preparation of motion pictures or exhibits by the Department, not exceeding a total of $10,000 may be used for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U.S.C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 574a).
For necessary expenses, including dues for library membership in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members, $772,000.

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses for carrying out the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U. S. C. 590a-590f), including preparation of conservation plans and establishment of measures to conserve soil and water (including farm irrigation and land drainage and such special measures as may be necessary to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs); operation of conservation nurseries; classification and mapping of soils; dissemination of information; purchase and erection or alteration of permanent buildings; and operation and maintenance of aircraft; $72,545,000: Provided, That the cost of any permanent building purchased, erected, or as improved, exclusive of the cost of constructing a water supply or sanitary system and connecting the same to any such building and with the exception of buildings acquired in conjunction with land being purchased for other purposes, shall not exceed $2,500, except for eight buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed $15,000 per building and except that alterations or improvements to other existing permanent buildings costing $2,500 or more may be made in any fiscal year in an amount not to exceed $500 per building: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be available for the construction of any such building on land not owned by the Government: Provided further, That in the State of Missouri, where the State has established a central State agency authorized to enter into agreements with the United States or any of its agencies on policies and general programs for the saving of its soil by the extension of Federal aid to any soil conservation district in such State, the agreements made by or on behalf of the United States with any such soil conservation district shall have the prior approval of such central State agency before they shall become effective as to such district: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation may be expended for soil and water conservation operations under the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U. S. C. 590a-590f), in demonstration projects: Provided further, That not to exceed $5,000 may be used for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a): Provided further, That qualified local engineers may be temporarily employed at per diem rates to perform the technical planning work of the service.

WATERSHED PROTECTION

For expenses necessary to conduct surveys, investigations, and research and to carry out preventive measures, including, but not limited to, engineering operations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation, and changes in use of land, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, approved August 4, 1954 (16 U. S. C. 1001-1007), and the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U. S. C. 590a-590f), to remain available until expended, $25,500,000, with which shall be merged the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated or transferred to the Department for watershed protection purposes.
For expenses necessary, in accordance with the Flood Control Act, approved June 22, 1936 (33 U. S. C. 701-709), as amended and supplemented, and in accordance with the provisions of laws relating to the activities of the Department, to perform works of improvement, including not to exceed $100,000 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), to remain available until expended, $13,220,000, with which shall be merged the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated or transferred to the Department for flood prevention purposes: Provided, That no part of such funds shall be used for the purchase of lands in the Yazoo and Little Tallahatchie watersheds without specific approval of the county board of supervisors of the county in which such lands are situated.

WATER CONSERVATION AND UTILIZATION PROJECTS

For expenses necessary to carry out the functions of the Department under the Acts of May 10, 1939 (53 Stat. 685, 719), October 14, 1940 (16 U. S. C. 590y-z-10), as amended and supplemented, June 28, 1949 (63 Stat. 277), and September 6, 1950 (7 U. S. C. 1033-39), relating to water conservation and utilization projects, to remain available until expended, $350,000, which sum shall be merged with the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated to said Department for the purpose of said Acts.

GREAT PLAINS CONSERVATION PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry into effect a program of conservation in the Great Plains area, pursuant to section 16 (b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as added by the Act of August 7, 1956 (70 Stat. 1115-1117), $10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM SERVICE

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the program authorized in sections 7 to 15, 16 (a), and 17 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, approved February 29, 1936, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590g-590 (o), 590p (a)-590q), including not to exceed $6,000 for the preparation and display of exhibits, including such displays at State, interstate, and international fairs within the United States; $212,000,000, to remain available until December 31 of the next succeeding fiscal year for compliance with the program of soil-building and soil- and water-conserving practices authorized under this head in the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1957, carried out during the period July 1, 1956, to December 31, 1957, inclusive: Provided, That not to exceed $24,698,000 of the total sum provided under this head shall be available during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses for carrying out such program, the cost of aerial photographs, however, not to be charged to such limitation; but not more than $5,025,800 shall be transferred to the appropriation account "Administrative expenses, section 392, Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938": Provided further, That none of the funds herein appropriated shall be used to pay the salaries or expenses of any regional information employees or any State information employees, but this shall not preclude the answering of inquiries or supplying of information at the county level to individual farmers:
Provided further, That such amount shall be available for administrative expenses in connection with the formulation and administration of the 1958 program of soil-building and soil- and water-conserving practices, under the Act of February 29, 1936, as amended (amounting to $250,000,000, including administration, and no participant shall receive more than $2,500, except where the participants from two or more farms or ranches join to carry out approved practices designed to conserve or improve the agricultural resources of the community): Provided further, That not to exceed 5 per centum of the allocation for the 1958 agricultural conservation program for any county may, on the recommendation of such county committee and approval of the State committee, be withheld and allotted to the Soil Conservation Service for services of its technicians in formulating and carrying out the agricultural conservation program in the participating counties, and shall not be utilized by the Soil Conservation Service for any purpose other than technical and other assistance in such counties, and in addition, on the recommendation of such county committee and approval of the State committee, not to exceed 1 per centum may be made available to any other Federal, State, or local public agency for the same purpose and under the same conditions: Provided further, That for the 1958 program $2,500,000 shall be available for technical assistance in formulating and carrying out agricultural conservation practices and $1,000,000 shall be available for conservation practices related directly to flood prevention work in approved watersheds: Provided further, That such amounts shall be available for the purchase of seeds, fertilizers, lime, trees, or any other farming material, or any soil-terracing services, and making grants thereof to agricultural producers to aid them in carrying out farming practices approved by the Secretary under programs provided for herein: Provided further, That no part of any funds available to the Department, or any bureau, office, corporation, or other agency constituting a part of such Department, shall be used in the current fiscal year for the payment of salary or travel expenses of any person who has been convicted of violating the Act entitled “An Act to prevent pernicious political activities”, approved August 2, 1938, as amended, or who has been found in accordance with the provisions of title 18, United States Code, section 1913, to have violated or attempted to violate such section which prohibits the use of Federal appropriations for the payment of personal services or other expenses designed to influence in any manner a Member of Congress to favor or oppose any legislation or appropriation by Congress except upon request of any Member or through the proper official channels.

Soil Bank Programs

Conservation Reserve Program

For necessary expenses to carry out a conservation reserve program as authorized by subtitles B and C of the Soil Bank Act (7 U. S. C. 1831-1837 and 1802-1814), $162,940,000: Provided, That not to exceed $18,000,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of which not less than $13,500,000 may be transferred to the appropriation account, “Local administration, section 388, Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938”: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to enter into contracts with producers which together with contracts already entered into would require payments to producers (including the cost of materials and services) in excess of $325,000,000 in any calendar year, and for purposes of applying this limitation, practice payments shall be chargeable to the first year of the contract period.
ACREAGE RESERVE PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out an acreage reserve program in accordance with the provisions of subtitles A and C of the Soil Bank Act (7 U. S. C. 1821–1824 and 1802–1814), $600,000,000: Provided, That not to exceed $34,500,000 of the total sum provided under this head shall be available for administrative expenses: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to formulate and administer an acreage reserve program which would result in total compensation being paid to producers in excess of $500,000,000 with respect to the 1958 crops, or in total compensation being paid to any one producer in excess of $3,000 with respect to the 1958 crops.

TITLE II—CORPORATIONS

The following corporations and agencies are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the fiscal year 1958 for such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided:

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

Federal Crop Insurance Corporation: Provided, That not to exceed $2,000,000 of administrative and operating expenses may be paid from premium income.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

RESTORATION OF CAPITAL IMPAIRMENT

To restore the capital impairment of the Commodity Credit Corporation determined by the appraisal of June 30, 1956, pursuant to section 1 of the Act of March 8, 1938, as amended (15 U. S. C. 713a–1), $1,239,788,671.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent the Commodity Credit Corporation from carrying out any activity or any program authorized by law: Provided, That not to exceed $35,398,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of the Corporation including uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (5 U. S. C. 2131), as amended: Provided further, That $1,000,000 of this authorization shall be available only to expand and strengthen the sales program of the Corporation pursuant to authority contained in the Corporation’s charter: Provided further, That not less than 7 per centum of this authorization shall be placed in reserve to be apportioned pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for use only in such amounts and at such time as may become necessary to carry out program operations: Provided further, That all necessary expenses (including legal and special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the Corporation or in which it has an interest, including expenses of collections of pledged collateral, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof.
TITLE III—SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

REIMBURSEMENTS TO COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FOR ADVANCES FOR ANIMAL DISEASE ERADICATION ACTIVITIES

To reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for authorized transfers through June 30, 1956 (including interest through June 30, 1957), as follows: (1) $1,853,450 for sums transferred to the appropriation "Foot-and-mouth and other contagious diseases of animals and poultry", fiscal year 1956, for eradication activities, pursuant to authority contained under such head in the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1956, and (2) $16,728,210 for sums transferred to the appropriation "Salaries and expenses, Agricultural Research Service", fiscal year 1956, for brucellosis eradication, pursuant to section 204 (e) of the Act of August 28, 1954, as amended (7 U. S. C. 397).

REIMBURSEMENT TO COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FOR ADVANCES FOR GRADING AND CLASSING ACTIVITIES

For reimbursement to Commodity Credit Corporation for sums transferred to the appropriation "Marketing research and service" through June 30, 1956 (including interest thereon through June 30, 1957), pursuant to the Act of August 31, 1951 (7 U. S. C. 414a), for grading tobacco and classing cotton without charge to producers, as authorized by law (7 U. S. C. 473a, 511d), $80,449.

SPECIAL COMMODITY DISPOSAL PROGRAMS

To reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for authorized costs (including interest through June 30, 1957), as follows: (1) $92,930,611 under the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1641-1642); (2) $94,483,518 for commodities disposed of for emergency famine relief to friendly peoples pursuant to title II of the Act of July 10, 1954, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1703, 1721-1724); and (3) $637,000,000 for the sale of surplus agricultural commodities for foreign currencies pursuant to title I of the Act of July 10, 1954, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1701-1709).

TITLE IV—RELATED AGENCIES

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Not to exceed $2,200,000 (from assessments collected from farm credit agencies) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses.

FEDERAL FARM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

The Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation is authorized to make such expenditures, within available funds and in accordance with law, as may be necessary to liquidate its assets: Provided, That funds realized from the liquidation of assets which are determined by the Board of Directors to be in excess of the requirements for expenses of liquidation shall be applied first to the retirement of the remaining Government investment in the capital stock of the Corporation and then to dividends which shall be paid into the general fund of the Treasury.

FEDERAL INTERMEDIATE CREDIT BANKS

Not to exceed $3,375,000 (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the funds of the banks shall be available for administrative expenses,
including the purchase of not to exceed six passenger motor vehicles for replacement only and services performed for the banks by other Government agencies (except services and facilities furnished and examinations made by the Farm-Credit Administration, and services performed by any Federal Reserve bank and by the United States Treasury in connection with the financial transactions of the banks); and said total sum shall be exclusive of interest expense, legal and special services performed on a contract or fee basis, and expenses in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, protection, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to the banks or in which they have an interest.

TITLE V—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 501. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law, appropriations and authorizations made for the Department under this Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those specifically provided for, of not to exceed 552 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, and for the hire of such vehicles.

SEC. 502. Provisions of law prohibiting or restricting the employment of aliens shall not apply to employment under the appropriation for the Foreign Agricultural Service.

SEC. 503. Funds available to the Department of Agriculture shall be available for uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954, as amended (5 U. S. C. 2131).

SEC. 504. No part of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be used for the payment of any officer or employee of the Department who, as such officer or employee, or on behalf of the Department or any division, commission, or bureau thereof, issues, or causes to be issued, any prediction, oral or written, or forecast, except as to damage threatened or caused by insects and pests, with respect to future prices of cotton or the trend of same.

SEC. 505. Except to provide materials required in or incident to research or experimental work where no suitable domestic product is available, no part of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be expended in the purchase of twine manufactured from commodities or materials produced outside of the United States.

SEC. 506. Not less than $1,500,000 of the appropriations of the Department for research and service work authorized by the Acts of August 14, 1946, and July 28, 1954 (7 U. S. C. 427, 1621-1629), shall be available for contracting in accordance with said Acts.

SEC. 507. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation or agency included in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress.

This Act may be cited as the “Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1958.”

Approved August 2, 1957.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled “An Act to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education of the District