Public Law 86-532

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961, 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, 1961; namely:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

TITLE I—REGULAR ACTIVITIES

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to perform agricultural research relating to production, utilization, and home economics, 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 two, of which one shall be 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 $15,000, except for five buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed $30,000 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed $5,000 or 5 per centum of the cost of the building, whichever is greater:

Research: For research and demonstrations on the production and utilization of agricultural products, home economics, and related research and services, including administration of payments to State agricultural experiment stations, $68,827,200: Provided, That the limitations contained herein shall not apply to replacement of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): Provided further, That the Secretary of Agriculture may sell the Entomology Research Laboratory at Orlando, Florida, in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as he deems advantageous and the proceeds of such sale shall remain available until expended for the establishment of an entomology research laboratory: Provided further, That in the establishment of such laboratory the Secretary may acquire land therefor by donation or exchange:

Plant and animal disease and pest control: For operations and measures, not otherwise provided for, to control and eradicate pests and plant and animal diseases and for carrying out assigned inspection, quarantine, and regulatory activities, as authorized by law, including expenses pursuant to the Act of February 28, 1947 (21 U.S.C. 114b-d), $52,286,000, of which $1,500,000 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 to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions: Provided, That no funds shall be used to formulate or administer a brucellosis eradication program for fiscal year 1963 that does not require minimum matching by any State of at least 40 per centum;

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, $21,562,000;

Special fund: To provide for additional labor to be employed under contracts and cooperative agreements to strengthen the work at research installations in the field, not more than $1,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head for the fiscal year 1960 may be used by the Administrator of the Agricultural Research Service in departmental research programs in the fiscal year 1961, the amount so used to be transferred to and merged with the appropriation otherwise available under “Salaries and expenses, Research”.

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES (SPECIAL FOREIGN CURRENCY PROGRAM)**

For purchase of foreign currencies which accrue under title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1704), for market development research authorized by section 104(a), and for agricultural and forestry research authorized by section 104(k) of that Act, to remain available until expended, $15,131,000: Provided, That the dollar value of the unexpended balances, as of June 30, 1960, of allocations of foreign currencies heretofore made available to the Agricultural Research Service for the foregoing purposes of section 104(a) is appropriated as of that date and shall be merged with this appropriation: Provided further, That funds appropriated herein shall be used to purchase such foreign currencies as the Department determines are needed and can be used most effectively to carry out the purposes of this paragraph, and such foreign currencies shall, pursuant to the provisions of section 104(a), be set aside for sale to the Department before foreign currencies which accrue under said title I are made available for other United States uses.

**CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES**

For construction of facilities and acquisition of the necessary land therefor by donation or exchange, $2,550,000, to remain available until expended.

**STATE EXPERIMENT STATIONS**

Payments to States and Puerto Rico: For payments to agricultural experiment stations to carry into effect the provisions of the Hatch Act, approved March 2, 1887, as amended by the Act approved August 11, 1955 (7 U.S.C. 361a-361l), including administration by the United States Department of Agriculture, $32,053,000; 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, $32,553,000.

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**

Eradiation 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, 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 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 (7 U.S.C. 347a), $55,220,000; 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, $56,715,000: Provided, That funds hereby appropriated pursuant to section 3(c) of the Act of June 26, 1953, shall not be paid to any State 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, $5,961,000. Penalty mail: For costs of penalty mail for cooperative extension agents and State extension directors, $2,490,000. 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 (7 U.S.C. 347a), 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 and insular possessions, $2,265,000.

FARMER COOPERATIVE SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out the Act of July 2, 1926 (7 U.S.C. 451-457), $620,000.

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, $53,132,000: 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 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: Provided further, That not to exceed $600,000 of the amount appropriated under this head for fiscal year 1960 may be used to employ conservation aides and other nonprofessional personnel on a part-time or contract basis, and the amount so used may be transferred to and merged with this appropriation.

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, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1001-1008), and the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-590f), to remain available until expended, $35,000,000, with which shall be merged the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated or transferred to the Department for watershed protection purposes: Provided, That not to exceed $100,000 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).

FLOOD PREVENTION

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 the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, approved August 4, 1954, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1001-1008, 74 Stat. 131), 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, $18,000,000, 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.
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 (16 U.S.C. 590p), $10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM SERVICE

AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM

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), and 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, $242,000,000, 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, 1960, carried out during the period July 1, 1959, to December 31, 1960, inclusive: Provided, That not to exceed $26,832,950 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 $5,458,900 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 amounts shall be available for administrative expenses in connection with the formulation and administration of the 1961 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 no change shall be made in such 1961 program which will have the effect in any county of restricting eligibility requirements or cost-sharing on practices included in either the 1958 or the 1959 programs, unless such change shall have been recommended by the county committee and approved by the State committee: Provided further, That the proportion of the State fund initially allocated to any county for the 1961 program shall not be reduced from the distribution of such funds for the 1959 program year: Provided further, That not to exceed 5 per centum of the allocation for the 1961 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 recommenda-
tion 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 1961 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, 1939, 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.

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. 565a for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of erecting any one building shall not exceed $15,000, except for two buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed $30,000 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed $5,000 or 5 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, and for crop and livestock estimates, $16,515,000: 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 publishing 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, $26,579,900, 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.

**PAYMENTS TO STATES 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)), $1,195,000.

**SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM**

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751–1760), $110,000,000: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for nonfood assistance under section 5 of said Act: Provided further, That $45,000,000 shall be transferred to this appropriation from funds available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935, for purchase and distribution of agricultural commodities and other foods pursuant to section 6 of the National School Lunch Act.

**FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE**

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For necessary expenses for the Foreign Agricultural Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1761–1765), 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 (7 U.S.C. 1766), $4,487,000: 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, in addition, not to exceed $2,539,000 of the funds appropriated by section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935, as amended (7 U.S.C. 612c), shall be merged with this appropriation and shall be available for all expenses of the Foreign Agricultural Service in carrying out the purposes of said section 32.

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES (SPECIAL FOREIGN CURRENCY PROGRAM)**

For purchase of foreign currencies which accrue under title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1704), for the purposes of market development activities under section 104(a) of that Act, $13,621,000, and for the purposes of section 104(m) of that Act, relating to agricultural and horticultural fair participation and related activities, $1,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the dollar value of the unexpended balances, as of June 30, 1960, of allocations of foreign currencies heretofore made available to the Foreign Agricultural Service for the foregoing purposes of such sections 104(a) and (m) is appropriated as of that date and shall be merged with this appropriation: Provided further, That funds appropriated herein shall be used to purchase such foreign currencies as the Department determines are needed and can be used most effectively to carry out the purposes of this paragraph, and such foreign currencies shall, pursuant to the
provisions of section 104(a), be set aside for sale to the Department before foreign currencies which accrue under said title I are made available for other United States uses.

**Commodity Exchange Authority**

**Salaries and Expenses**

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1–17a), $940,000.

**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), $40,135,000, of which not more than $6,934,400 shall be transferred to the appropriation account “Administrative expenses, section 392, 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. 1101–1161), $74,500,000, 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 $2,307,000.

**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), and to carry out liquidation activities for the acreage reserve program, to remain available until expended, $330,000,000, with which may be merged the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated for soil bank programs: Provided, That not to exceed $12,000,000 shall be available for administrative expenses, of which not less than $10,000,000 may be transferred to the appropriation account “Local administration, section 888, Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938”: Provided further, That no part of these funds shall be paid on any contract which is illegal under the law due to the division of lands for the purpose of evading limits on annual payments to participants.

**Federal Crop Insurance Corporation**

**Operating and Administrative Expenses**

For operating and administrative expenses, $6,376,000.

**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, $110,000,000; and rural telephone program, $80,000,000; and additional amounts, not to exceed $60,000,000 for each program, may be borrowed under the same terms and conditions to the extent that such amount is required during the fiscal year 1961 under the then existing conditions for the expeditious and orderly development of the rural electrification program and 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), $9,632,000.

**FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION**


**LOAN AUTHORIZATIONS**

For loans (including payments in lieu of taxes and taxes under section 10 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, and advances incident to the acquisition and preservation of security of obligations of 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, $26,900,000, 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 lands; title II of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, $197,100,000; the Act of August 28, 1937, as amended, $3,000,000: 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: Provided further, That an additional amount, not to exceed $40,000,000, may be borrowed under the same terms and conditions to the extent that such amount is required during fiscal year 1961 under the then existing conditions for the expeditious and
orderly conduct of the loan programs under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, not to exceed $5,000,000 of which shall be available for loans under title I and section 43 of title IV of such Act, as amended.

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, $81,050,000, together with a transfer of not to exceed $1,050,000 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
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, including payment of fees or dues for the use of law libraries by attorneys in the field service, $3,358,000.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

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, $2,899,500: Provided, That this appropriation shall be reimbursed from applicable appropriations for travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as required by the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 1001).

OFFICE OF INFORMATION
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

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, $1,488,000, 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 one hundred seventy-four thousand and seven hundred and thirty-six 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 73 of the Act of January 12, 1895 (44 U.S.C. 241), and for reprinting the 1959 yearbook "Food" for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, of eighty-seven thousand and three hundred and sixty-eight copies (for which not to exceed $67,800 shall be available): Provided, That in the preparation of motion pictures or exhibits by the Department, not exceeding a total of $10,000 may be used for

Library

Salaries and Expenses

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, $895,000.

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 1961 for such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided:

Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Fund

Not to exceed $2,630,000 of administrative and operating expenses may be paid from premium income.

Commodity Credit Corporation

Restoration of Capital Impairment

To partially restore the capital impairment of the Commodity Credit Corporation determined by the appraisals of June 30, 1959, and June 30, 1960, pursuant to section 1 of the Act of March 8, 1938, as amended (15 U.S.C. 713a–1), $1,226,500,000.

Reimbursement to Commodity Credit Corporation for Costs of Special Activities

To reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for authorized unrecovered costs through June 30, 1960 (including interest through date of recovery), as follows: (1) $32,572,000 under the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1641–1642); (2) $107,094,000 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); (3) $881,000,000 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); (4) $18,000 for grain made available to the Secretary of the Interior to prevent crop damage by migratory waterfowl pursuant to the Act of July 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 442–446); (5) $422,950,000 for strategic and other materials acquired by the Commodity Credit Corporation as a result of barter or exchange of agricultural commodities or products and transferred to the supplemental stockpile pursuant to Public Law 540, Eighty-fourth Congress (7 U.S.C. 1856): Provided, That the unexpended balances of funds heretofore provided for the various purposes under this head may remain available until expended for the purposes for which appropriated and may be merged with the funds provided in this paragraph.
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 $45,726,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of the Corporation: 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: Provided further, (1) That no part of this authorization shall be used to formulate or carry out a price-support program for 1960 under which a total amount of price support in excess of $50,000 would be extended through loans, purchases, or purchase agreements made or made available by Commodity Credit Corporation to any person on the 1960 production of any agricultural commodity declared by the Secretary to be in surplus supply, unless (a) such person shall reduce his production of such commodity from that which such person produced the preceding year, in such percentage, not to exceed 20 per centum, as the Secretary may determine to be essential to bring production in line within a reasonable period of time with that necessary to provide an adequate supply to meet domestic and foreign demands, plus adequate reserves, or (b) such person shall agree to repay all amounts advanced in excess of $50,000 for any agricultural commodity within twelve months from the date of the advance of such funds or at such later date as the Secretary may determine, (2) that the term “person” shall mean an individual, partnership, firm, joint-stock company, corporation, association, trust, estate, or other legal entity, or a State, political subdivision of a State, or any agency thereof, (3) that in the case of any loan to, or purchase from, a cooperative marketing organization, or with regard to price support on an agricultural commodity extended by purchases of a product of such commodity from, or by loans on such product to, persons other than the producers of such commodity, such limitation shall not apply to the amount of price support received by the cooperative marketing organization, or other persons, but the amount of price support made available to any person through such cooperative marketing organization or other persons shall be included in determining the amount of price support received by such person for purposes of such limitation, and (4) that the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue regulations prescribing such rules as he determines necessary to carry out this provision.

TITLE III—RELATED AGENCIES

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed $2,480,000 (from assessments collected from farm credit agencies) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses.
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 declared as dividends which shall be paid into the general fund of the Treasury.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 401. 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 three hundred and thirty-seven passenger motor vehicles, of which three hundred and thirty-two shall be for replacement only, and for the hire of such vehicles.

Sec. 402. Provisions of law prohibiting or restricting the employment of aliens shall not apply to employment under the appropriation for the Foreign Agricultural Service.

Sec. 403. 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. 404. 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. 405. 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. 407. 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, 1961".

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