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[Report No. 106-80]

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 17, 1999

Mr. COCHRAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and placed on the calendar

A BILL

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-

2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any

- 4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for Ag-
- 5 riculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administra-
- 6 tion, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes,
 namely:

3	TITLE I
4	AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS
5	Production, Processing, and Marketing
6	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
7	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
8	For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary
9	of Agriculture, and not to exceed \$75,000 for employment
10	under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$2,836,000: <i>Provided</i> , That not to
11	exceed \$11,000 of this amount, along with any unobli-
12	gated balances of representation funds in the Foreign Ag-
13	ricultural Service, shall be available for official reception
14	and representation expenses, not otherwise provided for,
15	as determined by the Secretary: Provided further, That
16	none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made avail-
17	able by this Act may be used to pay the salaries and ex-
18	penses of personnel of the Department of Agriculture to
19	carry out section 793(c)(1)(C) of Public Law 104–127:
20	Provided further, That none of the funds made available
21	by this Act may be used to enforce section 793(d) of Pub-
22	lic Law 104–127.

EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

CHIEF ECONOMIST

3 For necessary expenses of the Chief Economist, in-4 cluding economic analysis, risk assessment, cost-benefit 5 analysis, energy and new uses, and the functions of the World Agricultural Outlook Board, as authorized by the 6 7 Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622g), and 8 including employment pursuant to the second sentence of 9 section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 10 2225), of which not to exceed \$5,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$6,411,000. 11

12 NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION

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For necessary expenses of the National Appeals Diviin sion, including employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$25,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$11,718,000.

18 OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and
Program Analysis, including employment pursuant to the
second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of
1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$5,000 is
for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$6,583,000.

24 Office of the Chief Information Officer

25 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief In-26 formation Officer, including employment pursuant to the

4	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
5	For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi-
6	nancial Officer, including employment pursuant to the sec-
7	ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944
8	(7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000 is for
9	employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,283,000: Provided,
10	That the Chief Financial Officer shall actively market
11	cross-servicing activities of the National Finance Center.
12	Office of the Assistant Secretary for
13	Administration
14	For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
15	the Assistant Secretary for Administration to carry out
16	the programs funded by this Act, \$613,000.
17	AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND RENTAL
18	PAYMENTS
19	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
20	For payment of space rental and related costs pursu-
21	ant to Public Law 92–313, including authorities pursuant
22	to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Adminis-
23	trator of General Services to the Department of Agri-
24	culture under 40 U.S.C. 486, for programs and activities
25	of the Department which are included in this Act, and for

second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of
 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000
 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,551,000.

the operation, maintenance, and repair of Agriculture 1 2 buildings, \$140,364,000: *Provided*, That in the event an 3 agency within the Department should require modification 4 of space needs, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer 5 a share of that agency's appropriation made available by this Act to this appropriation, or may transfer a share 6 7 of this appropriation to that agency's appropriation, but 8 such transfers shall not exceed 5 percent of the funds 9 made available for space rental and related costs to or 10 from this account. In addition, for construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed 11 12 equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the pro-13 grams of the Department, where not otherwise provided, 14 \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended; making 15 a total appropriation of \$145,364,000.

- 16 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT
- 17 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

18 For necessary expenses of the Department of Agri-19 culture, to comply with the requirement of section 107(g)20 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Com-21 pensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and sec-22 tion 6001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 23 42 U.S.C. 6961, \$15,700,000, to remain available until 24 expended: *Provided*, That appropriations and funds avail-25 able herein to the Department for Hazardous Waste Management may be transferred to any agency of the Depart ment for its use in meeting all requirements pursuant to
 the above Acts on Federal and non-Federal lands.

4 DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

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(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

6 For Departmental Administration, \$34,738,000, to 7 provide for necessary expenses for management support 8 services to offices of the Department and for general ad-9 ministration and disaster management of the Department, 10 repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for 11 12 the practical and efficient work of the Department, including employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 13 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of 14 15 which not to exceed \$10,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be 16 reimbursed from applicable appropriations in this Act for 17 travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as re-18 19 quired by 5 U.S.C. 551–558.

20 OUTREACH FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS

For grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501 for grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501 for the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279), \$3,000,000, to remain available until expended.

- 1 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR 2 Congressional Relations 3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) 4 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of 5 the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to 6 carry out the programs funded by this Act, including pro-7 grams involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison 8 within the executive branch, \$3,668,000: *Provided*, That 9 no other funds appropriated to the Department by this 10 Act shall be available to the Department for support of activities of congressional relations: Provided further, That 11 12 not less than \$2,241,000 shall be transferred to agencies 13 funded by this Act to maintain personnel at the agency 14 level.
- 15 Office of Communications

16 For necessary expenses to carry on services relating 17 to the coordination of programs involving public affairs, 18 for the dissemination of agricultural information, and the coordination of information, work, and programs author-19 20 ized by Congress in the Department, \$8,138,000, includ-21 ing employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 22 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of 23 which not to exceed \$10,000 shall be available for employ-24 ment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$2,000,000 25 may be used for farmers' bulletins.

- Office of the Inspector General
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(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector 4 General, including employment pursuant to the second 5 sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and the Inspector General Act of 1978, 6 7 \$65,128,000, including such sums as may be necessary for 8 contracting and other arrangements with public agencies 9 and private persons pursuant to section 6(a)(9) of the In-10 spector General Act of 1978, including a sum not to exceed \$50,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; and 11 12 including a sum not to exceed \$125,000 for certain con-13 fidential operational expenses, including the payment of informants, to be expended under the direction of the In-14 15 spector General pursuant to Public Law 95–452 and section 1337 of Public Law 97–98. 16

17 Office of the General Counsel

18 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General19 Counsel, \$30,094,000.

20 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH,

21 EDUCATION AND ECONOMICS

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for the Economic Research Service, the National Agricultural Statistics Service, the Agricultural Research Service,
 and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Ex tension Service, \$540,000.

Economic Research Service

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5 For necessary expenses of the Economic Research Service in conducting economic research and analysis, as 6 7 authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7) 8 U.S.C. 1621–1627) and other laws, \$65,419,000: Pro-9 vided, That \$2,000,000 shall be transferred to and merged 10 with the appropriation for "Food and Nutrition Service, Food Program Administration" for studies and evalua-11 tions: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be 12 13 available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 14 15 2225).

16 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

17 For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural Statistics Service in conducting statistical reporting and 18 19 service work, including crop and livestock estimates, sta-20 tistical coordination and improvements, marketing sur-21 veys, and the Census of Agriculture, as authorized by the 22 Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, the Census of Agri-23 culture Act of 1997, and other laws, \$99,355,000, of 24 which up to \$16,490,000 shall be available until expended 25 for the Census of Agriculture: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available for employment pursuant to the
 second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of
 1944, and not to exceed \$40,000 shall be available for em ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

5 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE 6 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

7 For necessary expenses to enable the Agricultural Re-8 search Service to perform agricultural research and dem-9 onstration relating to production, utilization, marketing, 10 and distribution (not otherwise provided for); home economics or nutrition and consumer use including the acqui-11 12 sition, preservation, and dissemination of agricultural in-13 formation; and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100, 14 15 and for land exchanges where the lands exchanged shall be of equal value or shall be equalized by a payment of 16 17 money to the grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total value of the land or interests transferred out 18 of Federal ownership, \$809,499,000: Provided, That ap-19 20 propriations hereunder shall be available for temporary 21 employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 22 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and 23 not to exceed \$115,000 shall be available for employment 24 under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, That appropria-25 tions hereunder shall be available for the operation and

maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed 1 2 one for replacement only: *Provided further*, That appro-3 priations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 4 U.S.C. 2250 for the construction, alteration, and repair 5 of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of constructing any one building shall not 6 7 exceed \$250,000, except for headhouses or greenhouses 8 which shall each be limited to \$1,000,000, and except for 9 ten buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not 10 to exceed \$500,000 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent 11 12 of the current replacement value of the building or 13 \$250,000, whichever is greater: *Provided further*, That the limitations on alterations contained in this Act shall not 14 15 apply to modernization or replacement of existing facilities at Beltsville, Maryland: Provided further, That appropria-16 17 tions hereunder shall be available for granting easements at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, including 18 19 an easement to the University of Maryland to construct 20 the Transgenic Animal Facility which upon completion 21 shall be accepted by the Secretary as a gift: Provided fur-22 ther, That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to re-23 placement of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April 24 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): Provided further, That funds 25 may be received from any State, other political subdivision, organization, or individual for the purpose of estab lishing or operating any research facility or research
 project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized
 by law.

5 None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall 6 be available to carry out research related to the produc-7 tion, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco prod-8 ucts.

9 In fiscal year 2000, the agency is authorized to 10 charge fees, commensurate with the fair market value, for 11 any permit, easement, lease, or other special use authorization for the occupancy or use of land and facilities (in-12 13 cluding land and facilities at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center) issued by the agency, as authorized by 14 15 law, and such fees shall be credited to this account and shall remain available until expended for authorized pur-16 17 poses.

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BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

19 For acquisition of land, construction, repair, improve-20 ment, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equip-21 ment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural 22 research programs of the Department of Agriculture, where not otherwise provided, \$53,000,000, to remain 23 24 available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): *Provided*, That funds may be received from any State, other political sub-25 division, organization, or individual for the purpose of es-26 S 1233 PCS

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tablishing any research facility of the Agricultural Re-
search Service, as authorized by law.
COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND
EXTENSION SERVICE
RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES
For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for
cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and
for other expenses, including \$180,545,000 to carry into
effect the provisions of the Hatch Act (7 U.S.C. 361a-
i); \$21,932,000 for grants for cooperative forestry re-
search (16 U.S.C. 582a-a7); \$29,676,000 for payments
to the 1890 land-grant colleges, including Tuskegee Uni-
versity (7 U.S.C. 3222); \$54,276,000 for special grants
for agricultural research (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)); \$13,721,000
for special grants for agricultural research on improved
pest control (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)); \$119,300,000 for competi-
tive research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)); \$5,109,000 for
the support of animal health and disease programs (7
U.S.C. 3195); \$550,000 for supplemental and alternative
crops and products (7 U.S.C. 3319d); \$650,000 for grants
for research pursuant to the Critical Agricultural Mate-
rials Act of 1984 (7 U.S.C. 178) and section 1472 of the
Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3318), to
remain available until expended; \$500,000 for the 1994
research program (7 U.S.C. 301 note); $$3,000,000$ for

higher education graduate fellowship grants (7 U.S.C. 1 3152(b)(6), to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2 3 2209b); \$4,350,000 for higher education challenge grants 4 (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(1)); \$1,000,000 for a higher education multicultural scholars program (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(5)), to 5 remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); 6 7 \$2,850,000 for an education grants program for Hispanic-8 serving Institutions (7 U.S.C. 3241); \$500,000 for a sec-9 ondary agriculture education program and two-year postsecondary education (7 U.S.C. 3152 (h)); \$4,000,000 for 10 aquaculture grants (7 U.S.C. 3322); \$8,000,000 for sus-11 12 tainable agriculture research and education (7 U.S.C. 13 5811); \$9,200,000 for a program of capacity building grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(4)) to colleges eligible to receive 14 15 funds under the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321– 326 and 328), including Tuskegee University, to remain 16 17 available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); \$1,552,000 for payments to the 1994 Institutions pursuant to section 18 534(a)(1) of Public Law 103–382; and \$13,666,000 for 19 20necessary expenses of Research and Education Activities, 21 of which not to exceed \$100,000 shall be for employment 22 under 5 U.S.C. 3109; in all, \$474,377,000.

None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shallbe available to carry out research related to the produc-

1 tion, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco prod-2 ucts.

3 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

4 For establishment of a Native American institutions
5 endowment fund, as authorized by Public Law 103–382
6 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), \$4,600,000.

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EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

8 Payments to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto 9 Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, Northern 10 Marianas, and American Samoa: For payments for coop-11 erative extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, to be distributed under sections 3(b) and 3(c) of said Act, and 12 13 under section 208(c) of Public Law 93–471, for retirement and employees' compensation costs for extension 14 agents and for costs of penalty mail for cooperative exten-15 16 sion agents and State extension directors, \$276,548,000; payments for extension work at the 1994 Institutions 17 18 under the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 343(b)(3)). 19 \$3,060,000; payments for the nutrition and family edu-20 cation program for low-income areas under section 3(d) of the Act, \$58,695,000; payments for the pest manage-21 22 ment program under section 3(d) of the Act, \$10,783,000; 23 payments for the farm safety program under section 3(d)24 of the Act, \$3,000,000; payments to upgrade research, ex-25 tension, and teaching facilities at the 1890 land-grant col-26 leges, including Tuskegee University, as authorized by sec-

tion 1447 of Public Law 95–113 (7 U.S.C. 3222b), 1 2 \$12,000,000, to remain available until expended; pay-3 ments for the rural development centers under section 4 3(d) of the Act, \$908,000; payments for youth-at-risk pro-5 grams under section 3(d) of the Act, \$9,000,000; pay-6 ments for carrying out the provisions of the Renewable 7 Resources Extension Act of 1978, \$3,192,000; payments 8 for Indian reservation agents under section 3(d) of the 9 Act, \$1,714,000; payments for sustainable agriculture 10 programs under section 3(d) of the Act, \$3,309,000; pay-11 ments for rural health and safety education as authorized 12 by section 2390 of Public Law 101–624 (7 U.S.C. 2661 13 note, 2662), \$2,628,000; payments for cooperative exten-14 sion work by the colleges receiving the benefits of the sec-15 ond Morrill Act (7 U.S.C. 321–326 and 328) and Tuskegee University, \$25,843,000; and for Federal ad-16 17 ministration and coordination including administration of the Smith-Lever Act, and the Act of September 29, 1977 18 19 (7 U.S.C. 341–349), and section 1361(c) of the Act of 20 October 3, 1980 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), and to coordinate 21 and provide program leadership for the extension work of 22 the Department and the several States and insular posses-23 sions, \$10,940,000; in all, \$421,620,000: *Provided*, That 24 funds hereby appropriated pursuant to section 3(c) of the 25 Act of June 26, 1953, and section 506 of the Act of June

23, 1972, shall not be paid to any State, the District of
 Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, or the Virgin Islands, Mi cronesia, Northern Marianas, and American Samoa prior
 to availability of an equal sum from non-Federal sources
 for expenditure during the current fiscal year.

6 INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

7 For the integrated research, education, and extension 8 competitive grants programs, including necessary adminis-9 trative expenses, \$35,541,000, as follows: payments for 10 the water quality program, \$13,000,000; payments for the food safety program, \$15,000,000; payments for the na-11 12 tional agriculture pesticide impact assessment program, 13 \$4,541,000; payments for the methyl bromide transition program, \$3,000,000, as authorized under section 406 of 14 15 the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7626). 16

17 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MARKETING

18 AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS

19 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of 20 the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Pro-21 grams to administer programs under the laws enacted by 22 the Congress for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection 23 Service, the Agricultural Marketing Service, and the Grain 24 Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, 25 \$618,000. (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

1 ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

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For expenses, not otherwise provided for, including 4 5 those pursuant to the Act of February 28, 1947 (21) U.S.C. 114b-c), necessary to prevent, control, and eradi-6 7 cate pests and plant and animal diseases; to carry out in-8 spection, quarantine, and regulatory activities; to dis-9 charge the authorities of the Secretary of Agriculture 10 under the Act of March 2, 1931 (46 Stat. 1468; 7 U.S.C. 11 426-426); and to protect the environment, as authorized 12 by law, \$437,445,000, of which \$4,105,000 shall be avail-13 able for the control of outbreaks of insects, plant diseases, 14 animal diseases and for control of pest animals and birds to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions: Pro-15 16 *vided.* That no funds shall be used to formulate or admin-17 ister a brucellosis eradication program for the current fis-18 cal year that does not require minimum matching by the 19 States of at least 40 percent: *Provided further*, That this 20appropriation shall be available for field employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Or-21 22ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed 23 \$40,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 24 3109: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft 25 and the purchase of not to exceed four, of which two shall 26 S 1233 PCS

be for replacement only: *Provided further*, That, in addi-1 2 tion, in emergencies which threaten any segment of the 3 agricultural production industry of this country, the Sec-4 retary may transfer from other appropriations or funds 5 available to the agencies or corporations of the Depart-6 ment such sums as may be deemed necessary, to be avail-7 able only in such emergencies for the arrest and eradi-8 cation of contagious or infectious disease or pests of ani-9 mals, poultry, or plants, and for expenses in accordance 10 with the Act of February 28, 1947, and section 102 of the Act of September 21, 1944, and any unexpended bal-11 12 ances of funds transferred for such emergency purposes in the next preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such 13 transferred amounts: Provided further, That appropria-14 15 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alteration of leased build-16 17 ings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year 18 19 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement 20 value of the building.

In fiscal year 2000, the agency is authorized to collect fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assistance, goods, or services requested by States, other political subdivisions, domestic and international organizations, foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such
 fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods,
 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such
 fees shall be credited to this account, to remain available
 until expended, without further appropriation, for pro viding such assistance, goods, or services.

7 Of the total amount available under this heading in
8 fiscal year 2000, \$90,000,000 shall be derived from user
9 fees deposited in the Agricultural Quarantine Inspection
10 User Fee Account.

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BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For plans, construction, repair, preventive maintenance, environmental support, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 428a, \$7,200,000, to remain available until expended.

- 18 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
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MARKETING SERVICES

For necessary expenses to carry on services related to consumer protection, agricultural marketing and distribution, transportation, and regulatory programs, as authorized by law, and for administration and coordination of payments to States, including field employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225) and not to exceed s 1233 PCS

\$90,000 5U.S.C. 1 for employment under 3109.\$51,229,000, including funds for the wholesale market de-2 velopment program for the design and development of 3 wholesale and farmer market facilities for the major met-4 5 ropolitan areas of the country: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) 6 7 for the alteration and repair of buildings and improve-8 ments, but the cost of altering any one building during 9 the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current 10 replacement value of the building.

Fees may be collected for the cost of standardization
activities, as established by regulation pursuant to law (31
U.S.C. 9701).

14 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$60,730,000 (from fees collected) shall
be obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses: *Provided*, That if crop size is understated
and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may
exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification
to the Appropriations Committees.

21 FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND

- 22 SUPPLY (SECTION 32)
- 23 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Funds available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c) shall be used only for commodity program expenses as authorized therein, and other

1 related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the 2 Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and 3 Wildlife Act of August 8, 1956; (2) transfers otherwise 4 provided in this Act; and (3) not more than \$12,443,0005 for formulation and administration of marketing agreements and orders pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing 6 7 Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural Act of 1961. 8 PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

9 For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus
10 and departments of markets, and similar agencies for
11 marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul12 tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)),
13 \$1,200,000.

14 GRAIN INSPECTION, PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS

Administration

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16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions 18 of the United States Grain Standards Act, for the administration of the Packers and Stockyards Act, for certifying 19 20 procedures used to protect purchasers of farm products, 21 and the standardization activities related to grain under 22 the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, including field 23 employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 24 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$25,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 25 3109, \$24,287,000: Provided, That this appropriation 26 S 1233 PCS

shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the
 alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but
 the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
 value of the building.

6 LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICE

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EXPENSES

8 Not to exceed \$42,557,000 (from fees collected) shall 9 be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection 10 and weighing services: *Provided*, That if grain export ac-11 tivities require additional supervision and oversight, or 12 other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be 13 exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Ap-14 propriations Committees.

15 Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
the Under Secretary for Food Safety to administer the
laws enacted by the Congress for the Food Safety and Inspection Service, \$446,000.

20 Food Safety and Inspection Service

For necessary expenses to carry out services authorized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry
Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection
Act, \$638,404,000, and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be
credited to this account from fees collected for the cost
of laboratory accreditation as authorized by section 1017
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of Public Law 102–237: *Provided*, That this appropriation 1 2 shall not be available for shell egg surveillance under sec-3 tion 5(d) of the Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 4 1034(d)): *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall 5 be available for field employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 6 7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$75,000 shall be available 8 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, 9 That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law 10 (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering any one build-11 ing during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of 12 13 the current replacement value of the building. 14 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM AND 15 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES 16 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural 17

18 Services to administer the laws enacted by Congress for
19 the Farm Service Agency, the Foreign Agricultural Serv20 ice, the Risk Management Agency, and the Commodity
21 Credit Corporation, \$572,000.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY
SALARIES AND EXPENSES
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
For necessary expenses for carrying out the administration and implementation of programs administered by s 1233 PCS

the Farm Service Agency, \$794,839,000: Provided, That 1 2 the Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities, 3 and authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity 4 Credit Corporation to make program payments for all pro-5 grams administered by the Agency: *Provided further*, That other funds made available to the Agency for authorized 6 7 activities may be advanced to and merged with this ac-8 count: *Provided further*, That these funds shall be avail-9 able for employment pursuant to the second sentence of 10 section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall be available for 11 employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109. 12

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STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

14 For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricul15 tural Credit Act of 1987 (7 U.S.C. 5101–5106),
16 \$2,000,000.

17 DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity payments to dairy farmers for milk or cows producing such milk and manufacturers of dairy products who have been directed to remove their milk or dairy products from commercial markets because it contained residues of chemicals registered and approved for use by the Federal Government, and in making indemnity payments for milk, or cows producing such milk, at a fair market value to

any dairy farmer who is directed to remove his milk from 1 2 commercial markets because of: (1) the presence of prod-3 ucts of nuclear radiation or fallout if such contamination 4 is not due to the fault of the farmer; or (2) residues of 5 chemicals or toxic substances not included under the first sentence of the Act of August 13, 1968 (7 U.S.C. 450j), 6 7 if such chemicals or toxic substances were not used in a 8 manner contrary to applicable regulations or labeling in-9 structions provided at the time of use and the contamina-10 tion is not due to the fault of the farmer, \$450,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Pro-11 vided, That none of the funds contained in this Act shall 12 be used to make indemnity payments to any farmer whose 13 milk was removed from commercial markets as a result 14 15 of the farmer's willful failure to follow procedures prescribed by the Federal Government: *Provided further*, That 16 17 this amount shall be transferred to the Commodity Credit Corporation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is au-18 thorized to utilize the services, facilities, and authorities 19 of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the purpose of 20 21 making dairy indemnity disbursements.

- 22 AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM
 - ACCOUNT

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24 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

25 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di26 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by 7 U.S.C.
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1 1928–1929, to be available from funds in the Agricultural 2 Credit Insurance Fund, as follows: farm ownership loans, 3 \$559,422,000, of which \$431,373,000 shall be for guaran-4 teed loans; operating loans, \$2,397,842,000, of which 5 \$1,697,842,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans and \$200,000,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed 6 7 loans; Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by 8 25 U.S.C. 488, \$1,028,000; for emergency insured loans, 9 \$25,000,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural dis-10 asters; and for boll weevil eradication program loans as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1989, \$100,000,000. 11

12 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including 13 the cost of modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: farm 14 15 ownership loans, \$7,243,000, of which \$2,416,000, shall be for guaranteed loans; operating loans, \$70,860,000, of 16 17 which \$23,940,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans and \$17,620,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed 18 19 loans; Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by 20 25 U.S.C. 488, \$21,000; and for emergency insured loans, 21 \$3,882,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural dis-22 asters.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
\$214,161,000, of which \$209,861,000 shall be transferred

to and merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service
 Agency, Salaries and Expenses".

Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural
Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership
and operating direct loans and guaranteed loans may be
transferred among these programs with the prior approval
of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.
RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

9 For administrative and operating expenses, as au10 thorized by the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Re11 form Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 6933), \$64,000,000: *Provided*,
12 That not to exceed \$700 shall be available for official re13 ception and representation expenses, as authorized by 7
14 U.S.C. 1506(i).

15 CORPORATIONS

16 The following corporations and agencies are hereby authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of 17 funds and borrowing authority available to each such cor-18 19 poration or agency and in accord with law, and to make 20 contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year 21 limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government 22 Corporation Control Act as may be necessary in carrying 23 out the programs set forth in the budget for the current 24 fiscal year for such corporation or agency, except as here-25 inafter provided.

1 FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

2 For payments as authorized by section 516 of the
3 Federal Crop Insurance Act, such sums as may be nec4 essary, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C.
5 2209b).

6 Commodity Credit Corporation Fund
7 REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES

8 For fiscal year 2000, such sums as may be necessary
9 to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net
10 realized losses sustained, but not previously reimbursed,
11 pursuant to section 2 of the Act of August 17, 1961 (15
12 U.S.C. 713a–11).

13 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE
 14 MANAGEMENT

15 For fiscal year 2000, the Commodity Credit Corpora-16 tion shall not expend more than \$5,000,000 for expenses 17 to comply with the requirement of section 107(g) of the 18 Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, 19 and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and section 6001 20 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 21 6961: *Provided*, That expenses shall be for operations and 22 maintenance costs only and that other hazardous waste 23 management costs shall be paid for by the USDA Haz-24 ardous Waste Management appropriation in this Act.

1	TITLE II
2	CONSERVATION PROGRAMS
3	Office of the Under Secretary for Natural
4	Resources and Environment
5	For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
6	the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environ-
7	ment to administer the laws enacted by the Congress for
8	the Forest Service and the Natural Resources Conserva-
9	tion Service, \$693,000.
10	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
11	CONSERVATION OPERATIONS
12	For necessary expenses for carrying out the provi-
13	sions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-f),
14	including preparation of conservation plans and establish-
15	ment of measures to conserve soil and water (including
16	farm irrigation and land drainage and such special meas-
17	ures for soil and water management as may be necessary
18	to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs and to con-
19	trol agricultural related pollutants); operation of conserva-
20	tion plant materials centers; classification and mapping of
21	soil; dissemination of information; acquisition of lands,
22	water, and interests therein for use in the plant materials
23	program by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal
24	cost not to exceed \$100 pursuant to the Act of August
25	3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 428a); purchase and erection or alter-

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ation or improvement of permanent and temporary build-1 2 and operation and maintenance of aircraft, ings; 3 \$656,243,000, to remain available until expended (7) 4 U.S.C. 2209b), of which not less than \$5,990,000 is for 5 snow survey and water forecasting and not less than 6 \$9,125,000 is for operation and establishment of the plant 7 materials centers: *Provided*, That appropriations here-8 under shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for 9 construction and improvement of buildings and public im-10 provements at plant materials centers, except that the cost of alterations and improvements to other buildings and 11 12 other public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000: Pro-13 *vided further*, That when buildings or other structures are erected on non-Federal land, that the right to use such 14 15 land is obtained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a: Provided *further*, That this appropriation shall be available for tech-16 17 nical assistance and related expenses to carry out pro-18 grams authorized by section 202(c) of title II of the Colo-19 rado River Basin Salinity Control Act of 1974 (43 U.S.C. 201592(c)): Provided further, That this appropriation shall 21 be available for employment pursuant to the second sen-22 tence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 23 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$25,000 shall be available 24 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, 25 That qualified local engineers may be temporarily employed at per diem rates to perform the technical planning
 work of the Service (16 U.S.C. 590e–2).

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WATERSHED SURVEYS AND PLANNING

4 For necessary expenses to conduct research, inves-5 tigation, and surveys of watersheds of rivers and other waterways, and for small watershed investigations and plan-6 7 ning, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and 8 Flood Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954 (16 U.S.C. 9 1001–1009), \$10,368,000: *Provided*, That this appropria-10 tion shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 11 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$110,000 shall be 12 13 available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

14 WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS

15 For necessary expenses to carry out preventive meas-16 ures, including but not limited to research, engineering operations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation, 17 18 rehabilitation of existing works and changes in use of land, 19 in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood 20 Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954 (16 U.S.C. 21 1001-1005 and 1007-1009), the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-f), and in accordance 22 23 with the provisions of laws relating to the activities of the 24 Department, \$99,443,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b) (of which up to \$15,000,000 25 26 may be available for the watersheds authorized under the

Flood Control Act approved June 22, 1936 (33 U.S.C. 1 2 701 and 16 U.S.C. 1006a)): *Provided*, That not to exceed 3 \$47,000,000 of this appropriation shall be available for 4 technical assistance: *Provided further*, That this appro-5 priation shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 6 7 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$200,000 shall 8 be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Pro-9 *vided further*, That not to exceed \$1,000,000 of this appro-10 priation is available to carry out the purposes of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Public Law 93–205), in-11 12 cluding cooperative efforts as contemplated by that Act 13 to relocate endangered or threatened species to other suitable habitats as may be necessary to expedite project con-14 15 struction.

16 RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

17 For necessary expenses in planning and carrying out 18 projects for resource conservation and development and 19 for sound land use pursuant to the provisions of section 2032(e) of title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act 21 (7 U.S.C. 1010–1011; 76 Stat. 607), the Act of April 27, 22 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-f), and the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3451–3461), \$35,000,000, to re-23 24 main available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Provided, 25 That this appropriation shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the 26 S 1233 PCS

Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed
 \$50,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C.
 3109.

FORESTRY INCENTIVES PROGRAM

5 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, 6 to carry out the program of forestry incentives, as author-7 ized by the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 8 (16 U.S.C. 2101), including technical assistance and re-9 lated expenses, \$6,325,000, to remain available until ex-10 pended, as authorized by that Act.

11	TITLE III
12	RURAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
13	DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
14	Office of the Under Secretary for Rural
15	Development
16	For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
17	the Under Secretary for Rural Development to administer
18	programs under the laws enacted by the Congress for the
19	Rural Housing Service, the Rural Business-Cooperative
20	Service, and the Rural Utilities Service of the Department
21	of Agriculture, \$588,000.
22	RURAL COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM
23	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
24	For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and
25	grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 1926a, 1926c,
26	1926d, and 1932, except for sections 381E–H, 381N, and

1 3810 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009f), \$718,006,000, to remain available 2 3 until expended, of which \$23,150,000 shall be for rural 4 community programs described in section 381E(d)(1) of 5 such Act; of which \$630,257,000 shall be for the rural utilities programs described in section 381E(d)(2), 6 7 306C(a)(2), and 306D of such Act; and of which 8 \$64,599,000 shall be for the rural business and cooperadescribed 9 tive development programs in section 10 381E(d)(3) of such Act: *Provided*, That of the amount appropriated for the rural business and cooperative develop-11 12 ment programs, not to exceed \$500,000 shall be made 13 available for a grant to a qualified national organization to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in 14 15 order to promote economic development: Provided further, That of the amount appropriated for rural utilities pro-16 17 grams, not to exceed \$20,000,000 shall be for water and waste disposal systems to benefit the Colonias along the 18 19 United States/Mexico borders, including grants pursuant 20 to section 306C of such Act; not to exceed \$20,000,000 21 shall be for water and waste disposal systems for rural 22 and native villages in Alaska pursuant to section 306D 23 of such Act; not to exceed \$16,500,000 shall be for tech-24 nical assistance grants for rural waste systems pursuant 25 to section 306(a)(14) of such Act; and not to exceed

\$7,300,000 shall be for contracting with qualified national 1 2 organizations for a circuit rider program to provide tech-3 nical assistance for rural water systems: *Provided further*, 4 That of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed 5 \$45,245,000 shall be available through June 30, 2000, for 6 empowerment zones and enterprise communities, as au-7 thorized by Public Law 103–66, of which \$2,106,000 shall 8 be for rural community programs described in section 9 381E(d)(1) of such Act; of which \$34,704,000 shall be 10 for the rural utilities programs described in section 381E(d)(2) of such Act; of which \$8,435,000 shall be for 11 12 the rural business and cooperative development programs 13 described in section 381E(d)(3) of such Act: Provided further. That any obligated and unobligated balances avail-14 15 able from prior years for the "Rural Utilities Assistance Program" account, shall be transferred to and merged 16 17 with this account.

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RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

19 RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT 20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the
Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the
rural housing insurance fund, as follows: \$4,300,000,000
for loans to section 502 borrowers, as determined by the
Secretary, of which \$3,200,000,000 shall be for unsub\$ 1233 PCS

sidized guaranteed loans; \$32,396,000 for section 504 1 housing repair loans; \$100,000,000 for section 538 guar-2 3 anteed multi-family housing loans; \$25,001,000 for sec-4 tion 514 farm labor housing; \$114,321,000 for section 5 515 rental housing; \$5,152,000 for section 524 site loans; \$12,824,000 for credit sales of acquired property, of which 6 7 up to \$2,150,000 may be for multi-family credit sales; and 8 \$5,000,000 for section 523 self-help housing land develop-9 ment loans.

10 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including 11 the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of 12 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section 13 502 loans, \$113,350,000, of which \$19,520,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans; section 504 housing re-14 15 pair loans, \$9,900,000; section 538 multi-family housing guaranteed loans, \$480,000; section 514 farm labor hous-16 17 515ing, \$11,308,000; section rental housing. 18 \$45,363,000; section 524 site loans, \$4,000; credit sales 19 of acquired property, \$1,499,000, of which up to \$850,000 20may be for multi-family credit sales; and section 523 self-21 help housing land development loans, \$281,000: Provided, 22 That of the total amount appropriated in this paragraph, 23 \$11,180,000 shall be for empowerment zones and enter-24 prise communities, as authorized by Public Law 103–66: 25 *Provided further*, That if such funds are not obligated for empowerment zones and enterprise communities by June
 30, 2000, they shall remain available for other authorized
 purposes under this head.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
\$360,785,000, which shall be transferred to and merged
with the appropriation for "Rural Housing Service, Salaries and Expenses".

9 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

10 For rental assistance agreements entered into or renewed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)11 12 or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or 13 payments for eligible households as authorized by section 14 502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949, \$640,000,000; 15 and, in addition, such sums as may be necessary, as au-16 thorized by section 521(c) of the Act, to liquidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry out the rental 17 18 assistance program under section 521(a)(2) of the Act: 19 *Provided*, That of this amount, not more than \$5,900,000 20shall be available for debt forgiveness or payments for eli-21 gible households as authorized by section 502(c)(5)(D) of 22 the Act, and not to exceed \$10,000 per project for ad-23 vances to nonprofit organizations or public agencies to 24 cover direct costs (other than purchase price) incurred in 25 purchasing projects pursuant to section 502(c)(5)(C) of 26 the Act: *Provided further*, That agreements entered into S 1233 PCS

or renewed during fiscal year 2000 shall be funded for
 a five-year period, although the life of any such agreement
 may be extended to fully utilize amounts obligated.

4 MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

5 For grants and contracts pursuant to section 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 6 1490c), \$26,000,000, to remain available until expended 7 8 (7 U.S.C. 2209b): *Provided*, That of the total amount ap-9 propriated, \$1,000,000 shall be for empowerment zones 10 and enterprise communities, as authorized by Public Law 103–66: *Provided further*, That if such funds are not obli-11 12 gated for empowerment zones and enterprise communities 13 by June 30, 2000, they shall remain available for other 14 authorized purposes under this head.

15 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

16 For grants and contracts for housing for domestic farm labor, very low-income housing repair, supervisory 17 18 and technical assistance, compensation for construction 19 defects, and rural housing preservation made by the Rural Housing Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474, 20 1479(c), 1486, 1490e, and 1490m, \$41,000,000, to re-21 22 main available until expended: *Provided*, That of the total 23 amount appropriated, \$1,200,000 shall be for empower-24 ment zones and enterprise communities, as authorized by Public Law 103–66: Provided further, That if such funds 25 26 are not obligated for empowerment zones and enterprise S 1233 PCS

communities by June 30, 2000, they shall remain available
 for other authorized purposes under this head.

3 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

4 For necessary expenses of the Rural Housing Service, 5 including administering the programs authorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, title V 6 7 of the Housing Act of 1949, and cooperative agreements, 8 \$60,978,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be 9 available for employment pursuant to the second sentence 10 of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$520,000 may be used for em-11 ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109. 12

13 RURAL BUSINESS-COOPERATIVE SERVICE

14 RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT 15 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16 For the cost of direct loans, \$16,615,000, as authorized by the Rural Development Loan Fund (42 U.S.C. 17 18 9812(a)): *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of 19 modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided fur-20 *ther*, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obli-21 22 gations for the principal amount of direct loans of 23 \$38,256,000: Provided further, That through June 30, 24 2000, of the total amount appropriated, \$3,216,000 shall be available for the cost of direct loans for empowerment 25 26 zones and enterprise communities, as authorized by Public Law 103-66, to subsidize gross obligations for the prin cipal amount of direct loans, \$7,246,000: *Provided further*,
 That if such funds are not obligated for empowerment
 zones and enterprise communities by June 30, 2000, they
 shall remain available for other authorized purposes under
 this head.

7 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
8 the direct loan programs, \$3,337,000 shall be transferred
9 to and merged with the appropriation for "Rural Busi10 ness-Cooperative Service, Salaries and Expenses".

11 RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM
 12 ACCOUNT

13 (INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For the principal amount of direct loans, as authorized under section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act,
for the purpose of promoting rural economic development
and job creation projects, \$15,000,000.

18 For the cost of direct loans, including the cost of
19 modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congres20 sional Budget Act of 1974, \$3,453,000.

Of the funds derived from interest on the cushion of credit payments in fiscal year 2000, as authorized by section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, \$3,453,000 shall not be obligated and \$3,453,000 are rescinded. 42

RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

For rural cooperative development grants authorized under section 310B(e) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932), \$5,500,000, of which \$1,500,000 shall be available for cooperative agreements for the appropriate technology transfer for rural areas program.

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SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For necessary expenses of the Rural Business-Coop-10 erative Service, including administering the programs authorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-11 12 ment Act; section 1323 of the Food Security Act of 1985; 13 the Cooperative Marketing Act of 1926; for activities re-14 lating to the marketing aspects of cooperatives, including 15 economic research findings, as authorized by the Agricul-16 tural Marketing Act of 1946; for activities with institutions concerning the development and operation of agricul-17 18 tural cooperatives; and for cooperative agreements; 19 \$25,680,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be 20available for employment pursuant to the second sentence 21 of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 22 2225), and not to exceed \$260,000 may be used for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109. 23

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1	ALTERNATIVE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND
2	Commercialization Corporation Revolving Fund
3	For necessary expenses to carry out the Alternative
4	Agricultural Research and Commercialization Act of 1990
5	(7 U.S.C. 5901–5908), \$3,500,000 is appropriated to the
6	Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization
7	Corporation Revolving Fund.
8	RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE
9	RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
10	LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT
11	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
12	Insured loans pursuant to the authority of section
13	305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C.
14	935) shall be made as follows: 5 percent rural electrifica-
15	tion loans, \$71,500,000; 5 percent rural telecommuni-
16	cations loans, \$75,000,000; cost of money rural tele-
17	communications loans, \$300,000,000; municipal rate rural
18	electric loans, \$295,000,000; and loans made pursuant to
19	section 306 of that Act, rural electric, \$700,000,000 and
20	rural telecommunications, \$120,000,000, to remain avail-
21	able until expended.
22	For the cost as defined in section 502 of the Con-

For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modifying loans, of direct and guaranteed loans authorized by
the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935 and
936), as follows: cost of direct loans, \$1,483,000; cost of
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municipal rate loans, \$10,826,000; cost of money rural
 telecommunications loans, \$2,370,000: *Provided*, That
 notwithstanding section 305(d)(2) of the Rural Elec trification Act of 1936, borrower interest rates may exceed
 7 percent per year.

6 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to 7 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, 8 \$29,982,000, which shall be transferred to and merged 9 with the appropriation for "Rural Utilities Service, Sala-10 ries and Expenses".

11 RURAL TELEPHONE BANK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

13 The Rural Telephone Bank is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds avail-14 able to such corporation in accord with law, and to make 15 such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal 16 year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Govern-17 18 ment Corporation Control Act, as may be necessary in car-19 rying out its authorized programs. During fiscal year 2000 20 and within the resources and authority available, gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans shall be 21 22 \$157,509,000.

For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modifying loans, of direct loans authorized by the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935), \$2,961,000. In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
 carry out the loan programs, \$3,000,000, which shall be
 transferred to and merged with the appropriation for
 "Rural Utilities Service, Salaries and Expenses".

5 DISTANCE LEARNING AND TELEMEDICINE PROGRAM

6 For the cost of direct loans and grants, as authorized 7 by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa et seq., \$13,200,000, to remain avail-8 able until expended, to be available for loans and grants 9 for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural 10 areas: *Provided*, That the costs of direct loans shall be 11 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act 12 of 1974.

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SALARIES AND EXPENSES

14 For necessary expenses of the Rural Utilities Service, including administering the programs authorized by the 15 16 Rural Electrification Act of 1936, and the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, and for cooperative 17 18 agreements, \$33,000,000: Provided, That this appropria-19 tion shall be available for employment pursuant to the sec-20 ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$105,000 may be used 21 22 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

1	TITLE IV
2	DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS
3	Office of the Under Secretary for Food,
4	NUTRITION AND CONSUMER SERVICES
5	For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
6	the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer
7	Services to administer the laws enacted by the Congress
8	for the Food and Nutrition Service, \$554,000.
9	FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE
10	CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS
11	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
12	For necessary expenses to carry out the National
13	School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), except section
14	21, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771
15	et seq.), except sections 17 and 21 ; $$9,560,028,000$, to
16	remain available through September 30, 2001, of which
17	\$4,624,829,000 is hereby appropriated and
18	\$4,935,199,000 shall be derived by transfer from funds
19	available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935
20	(7 U.S.C. 612c): <i>Provided</i> , That, except as specifically pro-
21	vided under this heading, none of the funds made available
22	under this heading shall be used for studies and evalua-
23	tions: Provided further, That of the funds made available
24	under this heading, up to \$13,000,000 shall be for school
25	breakfast pilot projects, including the evaluation required
26	under section 18(e) of the National School Lunch Act:
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Provided further, That up to \$4,363,000 shall be available 1 2 for independent verification of school food service claims: 3 *Provided further*, That none of the funds under this heading shall be available unless the value of bonus commod-4 ities provided under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 5 1935 (49 Stat. 774, chapter 641; 7 U.S.C. 612c), and sec-6 7 tion 416 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1431) 8 is included in meeting the minimum commodity assistance 9 requirement of section 6(g) of the National School Lunch 10 Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(g)).

11 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR
12 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

13 For necessary expenses to carry out the special supplemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17 14 15 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786), 16 \$4,038,107,000, to remain available through September 30, 2001: Provided, That none of the funds made available 17 18 under this heading shall be used for studies and evaluations: *Provided further*, That of the total amount available, 19 20the Secretary shall obligate \$10,000,000 for the farmers' 21 market nutrition program within 45 days of the enactment 22 of this Act, and an additional \$5,000,000 for the farmers' 23 market nutrition program from any funds not needed to 24 maintain current caseload levels: Provided further, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available to pay 25 administrative expenses of WIC clinics except those that 26 S 1233 PCS

have an announced policy of prohibiting smoking within 1 2 the space used to carry out the program: *Provided further*, 3 That none of the funds provided in this account shall be 4 available for the purchase of infant formula except in ac-5 cordance with the cost containment and competitive bidding requirements specified in section 17 of the Child Nu-6 7 trition Act of 1966: Provided further, That none of the 8 funds provided shall be available for activities that are not 9 fully reimbursed by other federal government departments 10 or agencies unless authorized by section 17 of the Child 11 Nutrition Act of 1966.

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FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

13 For necessary expenses to carry out the Food Stamp Act (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), \$21,563,744,000, of which 14 15 \$100,000,000 shall be placed in reserve for use only in 16 such amounts and at such times as may become necessary 17 to carry out program operations: *Provided*, That none of 18 the funds made available under this head shall be used 19 for studies and evaluations: *Provided further*, That funds 20provided herein shall be expended in accordance with sec-21 tion 16 of the Food Stamp Act: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be subject to any work registration 22 23 or workfare requirements as may be required by law: Pro-24 vided further, That funds made available for Employment 25 and Training under this head shall remain available until

expended, as authorized by section 16(h)(1) of the Food
 Stamp Act.

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COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

4 For necessary expenses to carry out the commodity 5 supplemental food program as authorized by section 4(a)of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 6 7 (7 U.S.C. 612c note); the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983, \$131,000,000, to remain available through Sep-8 9 tember 30, 2001: Provided, That none of these funds shall 10 be available to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities donated to the program. 11

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FOOD DONATIONS PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses to carry out section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973; special assistance for the nuclear affected islands as authorized by section 103(h)(2) of the Compacts of Free Association Act of 1985, as amended; and section 311 of the Older Americans Act of 1965, \$141,081,000, to remain available through September 30, 2001.

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FOOD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

For necessary administrative expenses of the domestic food programs funded under this Act, \$111,561,000, of which \$5,000,000 shall be available only for simplifying procedures, reducing overhead costs, tightening regulations, improving food stamp coupon handling, and assistance in the prevention, identification, and prosecution of

1	fraud and other violations of law and of which not less
2	than \$3,000,000 shall be available to improve integrity in
3	the Food Stamp and Child Nutrition programs: Provided,
4	That this appropriation shall be available for employment
5	pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the
6	Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed
7	\$150,000 shall be available for employment under 5
8	U.S.C. 3109.
9	TITLE V
10	FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED
11	PROGRAMS
12	Foreign Agricultural Service and General Sales
13	MANAGER
14	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
15	For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural
16	Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural
17	Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1761–1768), market development
18	activities abroad, and for enabling the Secretary to coordi-
19	nate and integrate activities of the Department in connec-
20	tion with foreign agricultural work, including not to exceed
21	\$128,000 for representation allowances and for expenses
22	pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956
23	(7 U.S.C. 1766), \$136,203,000: <i>Provided</i> , That the Serv-
24	ice may utilize advances of funds, or reimburse this appro-
25	priation for expenditures made on behalf of Federal agen-

cies, public and private organizations and institutions 1 2 under agreements executed pursuant to the agricultural 3 food production assistance programs (7 U.S.C. 1737) and 4 the foreign assistance programs of the United States 5 Agency for International Development: *Provided further*, That of the total amount appropriated, up to \$2,000,000 6 7 shall remain available until expended solely for the pur-8 pose of offsetting fluctuations in international currency ex-9 change rates, subject to documentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service. 10

11 None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall12 be available to promote the sale or export of tobacco or13 tobacco products.

14 PUBLIC LAW 480 PROGRAM AND GRANT ACCOUNTS

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(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not otherwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, in-17 18 cluding interest thereon, under the Agricultural Trade De-19 velopment and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1691, 1701–1704, 1721–1726a, 1727–1727e, 1731–1736g–3, 20 21 and 1737), as follows: (1) \$142,840,000 for Public Law 22 480 title I credit, including Food for Progress programs; 23 (2) \$16,249,000 is hereby appropriated for ocean freight 24 differential costs for the shipment of agricultural commodities pursuant to title I of said Act and the Food for 25 Progress Act of 1985; and (3) \$787,000,000 is hereby ap-26

propriated for commodities supplied in connection with
 dispositions abroad pursuant to title II of said Act: *Pro- vided*, That not to exceed 15 percent of the funds made
 available to carry out any title of said Act may be used
 to carry out any other title of said Act: *Provided further*,
 That such sums shall remain available until expended (7
 U.S.C. 2209b).

8 For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-9 gressional Budget Act of 1974, of direct credit agreements 10 as authorized by the Agricultural Trade Development and 11 Assistance Act of 1954, and the Food for Progress Act 12 of 1985, including the cost of modifying credit agreements 13 under said Act, \$117,786,000.

14 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out 15 the Public Law 480 title I credit program, and the Food for Progress Act of 1985, to the extent funds appropriated 16 17 for Public Law 480 are utilized, \$1,850,000, of which 18 \$1,035,000 may be transferred to and merged with the 19 appropriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service and General Sales Manager" and \$815,000 may be transferred to 20 21 and merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service 22 Agency, Salaries and Expenses".

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1	COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT LOANS
2	PROGRAM ACCOUNT
3	(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
4	For administrative expenses to carry out the Com-
5	modity Credit Corporation's export guarantee program,
6	GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$3,820,000; to cover common
7	overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Com-
8	modity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity
9	with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, of which
10	\$3,231,000 may be transferred to and merged with the
11	appropriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service and Gen-
12	eral Sales Manager" and \$589,000 may be transferred to
13	and merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service
14	Agency, Salaries and Expenses".
15	TITLE VI
16	RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG
17	ADMINISTRATION
18	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
19	SERVICES
20	Food and Drug Administration
21	SALARIES AND EXPENSES

21 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Administration, including hire and purchase of passenger
motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related
costs pursuant to Public Law 92–313 for programs and
activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are
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1 included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space 2 in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; and for miscella-3 neous and emergency expenses of enforcement activities, 4 authorized and approved by the Secretary and to be ac-5 counted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to exceed \$25,000; \$1,180,972,000, of which not to exceed 6 7 \$145,434,000 in fees pursuant to section 736 of the Fed-8 eral Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act may be credited to 9 this appropriation and remain available until expended: 10 *Provided*, That fees derived from applications received during fiscal year 2000 shall be subject to the fiscal year 11 12 2000 limitation: *Provided further*, That none of these 13 funds shall be used to develop, establish, or operate any program of user fees authorized by 31 U.S.C. 9701: Pro-14 15 *vided further*, That of the total amount appropriated: (1) \$264,845,000 shall be for the Center for Food Safety and 16 17 Applied Nutrition and related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (2) \$309,026,000 shall be for the 18 19 Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and related 20 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which 21 no less than \$11,542,000 shall be available for grants and 22 contracts awarded under section 5 of the Orphan Drug 23 Act (21 U.S.C. 360ee); (3) \$132,092,000 shall be for the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research and for re-24 25 lated field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs;

(4) \$48,221,000 shall be for the Center for Veterinary 1 2 Medicine and for related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (5) \$154,271,000 shall be for the Cen-3 4 ter for Devices and Radiological Health and for related 5 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (6) \$34,436,000 shall be for the National Center for Toxi-6 7 cological Research; (7) \$34,000,000 shall be for the Office 8 of Tobacco; (8) \$25,855,000 shall be for Rent and Related 9 activities, other than the amounts paid to the General 10 Services Administration; (9) \$100,180,000 shall be for payments to the General Services Administration for rent 11 12 and related costs; and (10) \$78,046,000 shall be for other 13 activities, including the Office of the Commissioner; the Office of Policy; the Office of the Senior Associate Com-14 15 missioner; the Office of International and Constituent Relations; the Office of Policy, Legislation, and Planning; 16 17 and central services for these offices: *Provided further*, 18 That funds may be transferred from one specified activity 19 to another with the prior approval of the Committee on 20 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

In addition, fees pursuant to section 354 of the Public Health Service Act may be credited to this account,
to remain available until expended.

In addition, fees pursuant to section 801 of the Fed eral Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act may be credited to
 this account, to remain available until expended.

4 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For plans, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of or used by the Food and Drug Administration,
where not otherwise provided, \$8,350,000, to remain
available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

10 INDEPENDENT AGENCY

11 Commodity Futures Trading Commission

12 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions 13 of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), in-14 cluding the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; 15 the rental of space (to include multiple year leases) in the 16 District of Columbia and elsewhere; and not to exceed 17 \$25,000 for employment under 5U.S.C. 3109,18 \$61,000,000, including not to exceed \$1,000 for official 19 reception and representation expenses: *Provided*, That the 20Commission is authorized to charge reasonable fees to 21 attendees of Commission sponsored educational events and 22 symposia to cover the Commission's costs of providing 23 those events and symposia, and notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 24 3302, said fees shall be credited to this account, to be 25 available without further appropriation.

TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 701. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law, appropriations and authorizations made for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year 2000 under this Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those specifically provided for, of not to exceed 365 passenger motor vehicles, of which 361 shall be for replacement only, and for the hire of such vehicles.

9 SEC. 702. Funds in this Act available to the Depart-10 ment of Agriculture shall be available for uniforms or al-11 lowances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901– 12 5902).

SEC. 703. Not less than \$1,500,000 of the appropriations of the Department of Agriculture in this Act for research and service work authorized by the Acts of August
14, 1946, and July 28, 1954 (7 U.S.C. 427 and 1621–
1629), and by chapter 63 of title 31, United States Code,
shall be available for contracting in accordance with said
Acts and chapter.

SEC. 704. The cumulative total of transfers to the
Working Capital Fund for the purpose of accumulating
growth capital for data services and National Finance
Center operations shall not exceed \$2,000,000: *Provided*,
That no funds in this Act appropriated to an agency of
the Department shall be transferred to the Working Cap-

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ital Fund without the approval of the agency adminis trator.

3 SEC. 705. New obligational authority provided for the 4 following appropriation items in this Act shall remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Animal and 5 Plant Health Inspection Service, the contingency fund to 6 7 meet emergency conditions, fruit fly program, integrated 8 systems acquisition project, and up to \$2,000,000 for 9 costs associated with collocating regional offices; Farm 10 Service Agency, salaries and expenses funds made available to county committees; and Foreign Agricultural Serv-11 12 ice, middle-income country training program.

13 New obligational authority for the boll weevil pro-14 gram; up to 10 percent of the screwworm program of the 15 Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service; Food Safety and Inspection Service, field automation and information 16 17 management project; funds appropriated for rental payments; funds for the Native American Institutions Endow-18 19 ment Fund in the Cooperative State Research, Education, 20 and Extension Service; and funds for the competitive re-21 search grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), shall remain available 22 until expended.

SEC. 706. No part of any appropriation contained in
this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 707. Not to exceed \$50,000 of the appropria-1 2 tions available to the Department of Agriculture in this 3 Act shall be available to provide appropriate orientation 4 and language training pursuant to Public Law 94–449. 5 SEC. 708. No funds appropriated by this Act may be 6 used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative 7 agreements or similar arrangements between the United 8 States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-9 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of 10 the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative ar-11 rangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest 12 between the two parties. This does not preclude appro-13 priate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts with such institutions when such indirect costs are com-14 15 puted on a similar basis for all agencies for which appropriations are provided in this Act. 16

17 SEC. 709. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-18 able to restrict the authority of the Commodity Credit 19 Corporation to lease space for its own use or to lease space 20 on behalf of other agencies of the Department of Agri-21 culture when such space will be jointly occupied.

SEC. 710. None of the funds in this Act shall be available to pay indirect costs charged against competitive agricultural research, education, or extension grant awards
issued by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and

1 Extension Service that exceed 19 percent of total Federal 2 funds provided under each award: *Provided*, That notwith-3 standing section 1462 of the National Agricultural Re-4 search, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 5 U.S.C. 3310), funds provided by this Act for grants 6 awarded competitively by the Cooperative State Research, 7 Education, and Extension Service shall be available to pay 8 full allowable indirect costs for each grant awarded under 9 the Small Business Innovation Development Act of 1982, 10 Public Law 97–219 (15 U.S.C. 638).

SEC. 711. Notwithstanding any other provisions of
this Act, all loan levels provided in this Act shall be considered estimates, not limitations.

14 SEC. 712. Appropriations for the Rural Housing In-15 surance Fund Program Account for the cost of direct and 16 guaranteed loans made available in fiscal years 1994, 17 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999 shall remain available 18 until expended to cover obligations made in each of those 19 fiscal years respectively, in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 20 1557.

SEC. 713. Appropriations to the Department of Agriculture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made available in fiscal year 2000 shall remain available until expended to cover obligations made in fiscal year 2000 for the following accounts: the rural development loan fund program account; the Rural Telephone Bank program ac count; the rural electrification and telecommunications
 loans program account; the Rural Housing Insurance
 Fund Program Account; and the rural economic develop ment loans program account.

6 SEC. 714. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal
7 year 2000 pay raises for programs funded by this Act shall
8 be absorbed within the levels appropriated by this Act.

9 SEC. 715. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and 10 Cooperative Agreement Act, marketing services of the Agricultural Marketing Service; Grain Inspection, Packers 11 12 and Stockyards Administration; and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service may use cooperative agreements 13 14 to reflect a relationship between the Agricultural Marketing Service; the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stock-15 yards Administration; or the Animal and Plant Health In-16 17 spection Service and a State or Cooperator to carry out agricultural marketing programs, or to carry out pro-18 19 grams to protect the Nation's animal and plant resources. 20 SEC. 716. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and 21 Cooperative Agreement Act, the Natural Resources Con-22 servation Service may enter into contracts, grants, or co-23 operative agreements with a State agency or subdivision, 24 or a public or private organization, for the acquisition of 25 goods or services, including personal services, to carry out natural resources conservation activities: *Provided*, That
 Commodity Credit Corporation funds obligated for such
 purposes shall not exceed the level obligated by the Com modity Credit Corporation for such purposes in fiscal year
 1998.

6 SEC. 717. None of the funds in this Act may be used 7 to retire more than 5 percent of the Class A stock of the 8 Rural Telephone Bank or to maintain any account or sub-9 account within the accounting records of the Rural Tele-10 phone Bank the creation of which has not specifically been authorized by statute: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any 11 other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or 12 13 otherwise made available in this Act may be used to transfer to the Treasury or to the Federal Financing Bank any 14 15 unobligated balance of the Rural Telephone Bank telephone liquidating account which is in excess of current 16 17 requirements and such balance shall receive interest as set forth for financial accounts in section 505(c) of the Fed-18 19 eral Credit Reform Act of 1990.

SEC. 718. Of the funds made available by this Act, not more than \$1,800,000 shall be used to cover necessary expenses of activities related to all advisory committees, panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with negotiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competitively awarded grants: *Provided*, That interagency funding
 is authorized to carry out the purposes of the National
 Drought Policy Commission.

4 SEC. 719. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
5 may be used to carry out the provisions of section 918
6 of Public Law 104–127, the Federal Agriculture Improve7 ment and Reform Act.

8 SEC. 720. No employee of the Department of Agri-9 culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or 10 office funded by this Act to any other agency or office 11 of the Department for more than 30 days unless the indi-12 vidual's employing agency or office is fully reimbursed by 13 the receiving agency or office for the salary and expenses 14 of the employee for the period of assignment.

15 SEC. 721. None of the funds appropriated or other-16 wise made available to the Department of Agriculture 17 shall be used to transmit or otherwise make available to 18 any non-Department of Agriculture employee questions or 19 responses to questions that are a result of information re-20 quested for the appropriations hearing process.

SEC. 722. None of the funds made available to the Department of Agriculture by this Act may be used to acquire new information technology systems or significant upgrades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Information Officer, without the approval of the Chief Informa1 tion Officer and the concurrence of the Executive Informa2 tion Technology Investment Review Board: *Provided*, That
3 notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the
4 funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this
5 Act may be transferred to the Office of the Chief Informa6 tion Officer without the prior approval of the Committee
7 on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

8 SEC. 723. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act, 9 or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agen-10 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2000, or provided from any 11 12 accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by 13 the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure 14 15 through a reprogramming of funds which: (1) creates new programs; (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity; 16 17 (3) increases funds or personnel by any means for any project or activity for which funds have been denied or 18 restricted; (4) relocates an office or employees; (5) reorga-19 20 nizes offices, programs, or activities; or (6) contracts out 21 or privatizes any functions or activities presently per-22 formed by Federal employees; unless the Committee on 23 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress are notified 24 fifteen days in advance of such reprogramming of funds.

1 (b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-2 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies 3 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or 4 expenditure in fiscal year 2000, or provided from any ac-5 counts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by 6 7 this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure 8 for activities, programs, or projects through a reprogram-9 ming of funds in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, which-10 ever is less, that: (1) augments existing programs, projects, or activities; (2) reduces by 10 percent funding 11 for any existing program, project, or activity, or numbers 12 13 of personnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or (3) results from any general savings from a reduction in 14 15 personnel which would result in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects as approved by Congress; un-16 17 less the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses of 18 Congress are notified fifteen days in advance of such reprogramming of funds. 19

SEC. 724. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act may be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out the transfer or obligation of fiscal year 2000 funds under the provisions of section 793 of Public Law 104– 127. 1 SEC. 725. None of the funds appropriated or other-2 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the 3 salaries and expenses of personnel who carry out an envi-4 ronmental quality incentives program authorized by sec-5 tions 334–341 of Public Law 104–127 in excess of 6 \$174,000,000.

7 SEC. 726. None of the funds appropriated or other-8 wise available to the Department of Agriculture in fiscal 9 year 2000 or thereafter may be used to administer the 10 provision of contract payments to a producer under the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et 11 12 seq.) for contract acreage on which wild rice is planted 13 unless the contract payment is reduced by an acre for each 14 contract acre planted to wild rice.

15 SEC. 727. None of the funds appropriated or other-16 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the 17 salaries and expenses of personnel to enroll in excess of 18 180,000 acres in the fiscal year 2000 wetlands reserve 19 program as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 3837.

SEC. 728. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out the emergency food assistance program authorized by section 27(a) of the Food Stamp Act if such program exceeds \$97,000,000. 1 SEC. 729. None of the funds appropriated or other-2 wise made available by this or any other Act shall be used 3 to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out 4 the transfer or obligation of fiscal year 2000 funds under 5 the provisions of section 401 of Public Law 105–185 in 6 excess of \$50,000,000.

7 SEC. 730. Notwithstanding section 381A of the Con-8 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 9 2009), in fiscal year 2000 and thereafter, the definitions 10 of rural areas for certain business programs administered by the Rural Business-Cooperative Service and the com-11 munity facilities programs administered by the Rural 12 13 Housing Service shall be those provided for in statute and regulations prior to the enactment of Public Law 104– 14 15 127.

16 SEC. 731. None of the funds appropriated or other-17 wise made available by this Act shall be used to carry out 18 any commodity purchase program that would prohibit eli-19 gibility or participation by farmer-owned cooperatives.

SEC. 732. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out a conservation farm option program, as authorized by section 335 of Public Law 104–127. SEC. 733. None of the funds made available to the
 Food and Drug Administration by this Act shall be used
 to close or relocate, or to plan to close or relocate, the
 Food and Drug Administration Division of Drug Analysis
 in St. Louis, Missouri.

6 SEC. 734. None of the funds made available by this 7 Act or any other Act for any fiscal year may be used to 8 carry out section 302(h) of the Agricultural Marketing Act 9 of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622(h)) unless the Secretary of Agri-10 culture inspects and certifies agricultural processing 11 equipment, and imposes a fee for the inspection and cer-12 tification, in a manner that is similar to the inspection 13 and certification of agricultural products under that section, as determined by the Secretary: *Provided*, That this 14 15 provision shall not affect the authority of the Secretary to carry out the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 16 17 601 et seq.), the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21) U.S.C. 451 et seq.), or the Egg Products Inspection Act 18 (21 U.S.C. 1031 et seq.). 19

SEC. 735. None of the funds appropriated by this Act or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel who prepare or submit appropriations language as part of the President's Budget submission to the Congress of the United States for programs under the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Subcommit-

tees on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related 1 2 Agencies that assumes revenues or reflects a reduction from the previous year due to user fees proposals that 3 4 have not been enacted into law prior to the submission 5 of the Budget unless such Budget submission identifies which additional spending reductions should occur in the 6 7 event the users fees proposals are not enacted prior to the 8 date of the convening of a committee of conference for 9 the fiscal year 2001 appropriations Act.

10 SEC. 736. None of the funds appropriated or other-11 wise made available by this Act shall be used to establish 12 an Office of Community Food Security or any similar of-13 fice within the United States Department of Agriculture 14 without the prior approval of the Committee on Appro-15 priations of both Houses of Congress.

16 SEC. 737. None of the funds appropriated or other-17 wise made available by this or any other Act may be used 18 to carry out provision of section 612 of Public Law 105– 19 185.

SEC. 738. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in fiscal year 2000 and thereafter, permanent employees of county committees employed on or after October 1, 1998, pursuant to 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) shall be considered as having Federal Civil Service status only for the purpose of applying for the United States Department of
 Agriculture Civil Service vacancies.

3 SEC. 739. Notwithstanding any other provision of 4 law, with regard to the lands and facilities owned by the 5 federal government and administered by the Secretary of Agriculture at Fort Reno, Oklahoma, the Secretary shall 6 7 not, at any time hereafter without specific authorization 8 of Congress: (1) declare all or any part of such lands or 9 facilities as excess or surplus, or (2) transfer or convey 10 all or any part of such lands or facilities.

11 SEC. 740. The Chief of the Natural Resources Con-12 servation Service shall redistribute funds to apply toward 13 a Public Law 566 watershed project closeout using A–102 14 authority for settlement costs of this project in Mis-15 sissippi.

16 SEC. 741. (a) Not later than 180 days after the date 17 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall 18 offer to enter into an agreement with the Governor of the 19 State of Hawaii to conduct a pilot program to inspect mail 20 entering the State of Hawaii for any plant, plant product, 21 plant pest, or other organism that is subject to Federal 22 quarantine laws.

(b) The agreement described in subsection (a) shall
contain the same terms and conditions as are contained
in the memorandum of understanding entered into be-

tween the Secretary and the State of California, dated
 February 1, 1999, unless the Secretary and the Governor
 agree to different terms or conditions.

4 (c) Unless the Secretary and the Governor agree oth5 erwise, the agreement described in subsection (b) shall ter6 minate on the later of—

7 (A) the date that is 1 year after the date the8 agreement becomes effective; or

9 (B) the date that the February 1, 1999 memo10 randum of understanding terminates.

11 SEC. 742. Notwithstanding any other provision of 12 law, the Secretary is authorized under Section 306 of the 13 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as 14 amended (7 U.S.C. 1926), to provide guaranteed lines of 15 credit, including working capital loans, for health care fa-16 cilities, to address Year 2000 computer conversion issues.

17 SEC. 743. After taking any action involving the sei-18 zure, quarantine, treatment, destruction, or disposal of 19 wheat infested with karnal bunt, the Secretary of Agri-20 culture shall compensate the producers for economic losses 21 incurred as the result of the action not later than 45 days 22 after receipt of a claim that includes all appropriate paper-23 work.

24 SEC. 744. Notwithstanding any other provision of 25 law, \$3,000,000 is appropriated for the purpose of providing Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellow ships through the Congressional Hunger Center, which is
 an organization described in subsection (c)(3) of section
 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and is exempt
 from taxation under subsection (a) of such section.

6 SEC. 745. Notwithstanding any other provision of 7 law, there are hereby appropriated \$250,000 for the pro-8 gram authorized under Section 388 of the Federal Agri-9 culture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, solely for 10 use in the State of New Hampshire.

SEC. 746. The Immigration and Nationality Act (8
U.S.C. 1188 et seq.) is amended: (a) in Section 218(c)(1)
by striking "60 days" and inserting "45 days", and (b)
in Section 218(c)(3)(A) by striking "20 days" and inserting "30 days".

16 SEC. 747. SUCCESSORSHIP PROVISIONS RELATING
17 TO BARGAINING UNITS AND EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTA18 TIVES. (a) VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the exercise of the Secretary of Agriculture's authority under this Act results in changes to an existing bargaining unit that
has been certified under chapter 71 of title 5,
United States Code, the affected parties shall attempt to reach a voluntary agreement on a new bar-

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gaining unit and an exclusive representative for such

2	unit.
3	(2) CRITERIA.—In carrying out the require-
4	ments of this subsection, the affected parties shall
5	use criteria set forth in—
6	(A) sections $7103(a)(4)$, $7111(e)$,
7	7111(f)(1), and 7120 of title 5, United States
8	Code, relating to determining an exclusive rep-
9	resentative; and
10	(B) section 7112 of title 5, United States
11	Code (disregarding subsections $(b)(5)$ and (d)
12	thereof), relating to determining appropriate
13	units.
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1	ity may not certify the terms of an agreement
2	under paragraph (1) if—
3	(i) it determines that any of the cri-
4	teria referred to in subsection $(a)(2)$ (dis-
5	regarding section 7112(a) of title 5,
6	United States Code) have not been met; or
7	(ii) after the Secretary's exercise of
8	authority and before certification under
9	this section, a valid election under section
10	7111(b) of title 5, United States Code, is
11	held covering any employees who would be
12	included in the unit proposed for certifi-
13	cation.
14	(B) TEMPORARY WAIVER OF PROVISION
15	THAT WOULD BAR AN ELECTION AFTER A COL-
16	LECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT IS
17	REACHED.—Nothing in section $7111(f)(3)$ of
18	title 5, United States Code, shall prevent the
19	holding of an election under section 7111(b) of
20	such title that covers employees within a unit
21	certified under paragraph (1) , or giving effect
22	to the results of such an election (including a
23	decision not to be represented by any labor or-
24	ganization), if the election is held before the

1	end of the 12-month period beginning on the
2	date such unit is so certified.
3	(C) CLARIFICATION.—The certification of
4	a unit under paragraph (1) shall not, for pur-
5	poses of the last sentence of section 7111(b) of
6	title 5, United States Code, or section
7	7111(f)(4) of such title, be treated as if it had
8	occurred pursuant to an election.
9	(3) Delegation.—
10	(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Labor Re-
11	lations Authority may delegate to any regional
12	director (as referred to in section 7105(e) of
13	title 5, United States Code) its authority under
14	the preceding provisions of this subsection.
15	(B) REVIEW.—Any action taken by a re-
16	gional director under subparagraph (A) shall be
17	subject to review under the provisions of section
18	7105(f) of title 5, United States Code, in the
19	same manner as if such action had been taken
20	under section 7105(e) of such title, except that
21	in the case of a decision not to certify, such re-
22	view shall be required if application therefore is
23	filed by an affected party within the time speci-
24	fied in such provisions.

(c) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the 1 term "affected party" means— 2 3 (1) with respect to an exercise of authority by 4 the Secretary of Agriculture under this Act, any labor organization affected thereby; and 5 6 (2) the Department of Agriculture. This Act may be cited as the "Agriculture, Rural De-7 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related 8 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000". 9

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