

urges young people to learn more about the value of organ and tissue donation and share that information with family members. I commend the program's founders for all the good work they have done thus far, and ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing their efforts.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1190. Mr. LUGAR proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers.

SA 1191. Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BOND, Mr. BREAUX, Mrs. CARNAHAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CLELAND, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MILLER, Mr. REED, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mr. WARNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra.

SA 1192. Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1193. Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1194. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1195. Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1196. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1197. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1198. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1199. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1200. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1201. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1202. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1206. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1207. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1208. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1209. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra.

SA 1210. Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1211. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1212. Mr. LUGAR proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1246, supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1190. Mr. LUGAR proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; as follows:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. MARKET LOSS ASSISTANCE.

(a) ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this Act as the "Secretary") shall, to the maximum extent practicable, use \$4,622,240,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a market loss assistance payment to owners and producers on a farm that are eligible for a final payment for fiscal year 2001 under a production flexibility contract for the farm under the Agriculture Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.).

(b) AMOUNT.—The amount of assistance made available to owners and producers on a farm under this section shall be proportionate to the amount of the total contract payments received by the owners and producers for fiscal year 2001 under a production flexibility contract for the farm under the Agriculture Market Transition Act.

SEC. 2. SUPPLEMENTAL OILSEEDS PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$423,510,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a supplemental payment under section 202 of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers of the 2000 crop of oilseeds that previously received a payment under such section.

SEC. 3. SUPPLEMENTAL PEANUT PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$54,210,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 204(a) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers of quota peanuts or additional peanuts for the 2000 crop year that previously received a payment under such section. The Secretary shall adjust the payment rate specified in such section to reflect the amount made available for payment under this section.

SEC. 4. SUPPLEMENTAL TOBACCO PAYMENT.

(a) SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT.—The Secretary shall use \$129,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 204(b) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to eligible persons (as defined in such sec-

tion) that previously received a payment under such section.

(b) SPECIAL RULE FOR GEORGIA.—The Secretary may make payments under this section to eligible persons in Georgia only if the State of Georgia agrees to use the sum of \$13,000,000 to make payments at the same time, or subsequently, to the same persons in the same manner as provided for the Federal payments under this section, as required by section 204(b)(6) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000.

SEC. 5. SUPPLEMENTAL WOOL AND MOHAIR PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$16,940,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 814 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (as enacted by Public Law 106-387), to producers of wool, and producers of mohair, for the 2000 marketing year that previously received a payment under such section. The Secretary shall adjust the payment rate specified in such section to reflect the amount made available for payments under this section.

SEC. 6. SUPPLEMENTAL COTTONSEED ASSISTANCE.

The Secretary shall use \$84,700,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide supplemental assistance under section 204(e) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers and first-handlers of the 2000 crop of cottonseed that previously received assistance under such section.

SEC. 7. SPECIALTY CROPS.

(A) BASE STATE GRANTS.—The Secretary shall use \$26,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make grants to the several States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to be used to support activities that promote agriculture. The amount of the grant shall be—

- (1) \$500,000 to each of the several States; and
- (2) \$1,000,000 to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

(b) GRANTS FOR VALUE OF PRODUCTION.—The Secretary shall use \$133,400,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a grant to each of the several States in an amount that represents the proportion of the value of specialty crop production in the State in relation to the national value of specialty crop production, as follows:

- (1) California, \$63,320,000.
- (2) Florida, \$16,860,000.
- (3) Washington, \$9,610,000.
- (4) Idaho, \$43,670,000.
- (5) Arizona, \$3,430,000.
- (6) Michigan, \$3,250,000.
- (7) Oregon, \$3,220,000.
- (8) Georgia, \$2,730,000.
- (9) Texas, \$2,660,000.
- (10) New York, \$2,660,000.
- (11) Wisconsin, \$2,570,000.
- (12) North Carolina, \$1,540,000.
- (13) Colorado, \$41,510,000.
- (14) North Dakota, \$1,380,000.
- (15) Minnesota, \$1,320,000.
- (16) Hawaii, \$1,150,000.
- (17) New Jersey, \$1,100,000.
- (18) Pennsylvania, \$980,000.
- (19) New Mexico, \$900,000.
- (20) Maine, \$880,000.
- (21) Ohio, \$800,000.
- (22) Indiana, \$660,000.
- (23) Nebraska, \$640,000.
- (24) Massachusetts, \$640,000.
- (25) Virginia, \$620,000.
- (26) Maryland, \$500,000.
- (27) Louisiana, \$460,000.
- (28) South Carolina, \$440,000.
- (29) Tennessee, \$400,000.
- (30) Illinois, \$400,000.
- (31) Oklahoma, \$390,000.
- (32) Alabama, \$300,000.

- (33) Delaware, \$290,000.
- (34) Mississippi, \$250,000.
- (35) Kansas, \$210,000.
- (36) Arkansas, \$210,000.
- (37) Missouri, \$210,000.
- (38) Connecticut, \$180,000.
- (39) Utah, \$140,000.
- (40) Montana, \$140,000.
- (41) New Hampshire, \$120,000.
- (42) Nevada, \$120,000.
- (43) Vermont, \$120,000.
- (44) Iowa, \$100,000.
- (45) West Virginia, \$90,000.
- (46) Wyoming, \$70,000.
- (47) Kentucky, \$60,000.
- (48) South Dakota, \$40,000.
- (49) Rhode Island, \$40,000.
- (50) Alaska, \$20,000.

(c) **SPECIALTY CROP PRIORITY.**—As a condition on the receipt of a grant under this section, a State shall agree to give priority to the support of specialty crops in the use of the grant funds.

(d) **SPECIALTY CROP DEFINED.**—In this section, the term “specialty crop” means any agricultural crop, except wheat, feed grains, oil-seeds, cotton, rice, peanuts, and tobacco.

SEC. 8. COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

The Secretary shall use \$10,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a grant to each of the several States to be used by the States to cover direct and indirect costs related to the processing, transportation, and distribution of commodities to eligible recipient agencies. The grants shall be allocated to States in the manner provided under section 204(a) of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7508(a)).

SEC. 9. TECHNICAL CORRECTION REGARDING INDEMNITY PAYMENTS FOR COTTON PRODUCERS.

(a) **CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT TO STATE.**—Subsection (b) of section 1121 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 (as contained in section 101(a) of division A of Public Law 105-277 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note), and as amended by section 754 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (as enacted by Public Law 106-387; 114 Stat. 1549A-42), is amended to read as follows:

“(b) **CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT TO STATE.**—The Secretary of Agriculture shall make the payment to the State of Georgia under subsection (a) only if the State—

“(1) contributes \$5,000,000 to the indemnity fund and agrees to expend all amounts in the indemnity fund by not later than January 1, 2001 (or as soon as administratively practical thereafter), to provide compensation to cotton producers as provided in such subsection; “(2) requires the recipient of a payment from the indemnity fund to repay the State, for deposit in the indemnity fund, the amount of any duplicate payment the recipient otherwise recovers for such loss of cotton, or the loss of proceeds from the sale of cotton, up to the amount of the payment from the indemnity fund; and

“(3) agrees to deposit in the indemnity fund the proceeds of any bond collected by the State for the benefit of recipients of payments from the indemnity fund, to the extent of such payments.”.

(b) **ADDITIONAL DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE INDEMNITY FUND.**—Subsection (d) of such section is amended to read as follows:

“(d) **ADDITIONAL DISBURSEMENT TO COTTON GINNERS.**—The State of Georgia shall use funds remaining in the indemnity fund, after the provision of compensation to cotton producers in Georgia under subsection (a) (including cotton producers who file a contingent claim, as defined and provided in sec-

tion 5.1 of chapter 19 of title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia), to compensate cotton ginner (as defined and provided in such section) that—

“(1) incurred a loss as the result of— “(A) the business failure of any cotton buyer doing business in Georgia; or

“(B) the failure or refusal of any such cotton buyer to pay the contracted price that had been agreed upon by the ginner and the buyer for cotton grown in Georgia on or after January 1, 1997, and had been purchased or contracted by the ginner from cotton producers in Georgia;

“(2) paid cotton producers the amount which the cotton ginner had agreed to pay for such cotton received from such cotton producers in Georgia; and

“(3) satisfy the procedural requirements and deadlines specified in chapter 19 of title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia applicable to cotton ginner claims.”.

(c) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Subsection (c) of such section is amended by striking “Upon the establishment of the indemnity fund, and not later than October 1, 1999, the” and inserting “The”.

SEC. 10. INCREASE IN PAYMENT LIMITATIONS REGARDING LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS AND MARKETING LOAN GAINS.

Notwithstanding section 1001(2) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308(1)), the total amount of the payments specified in section 1001(3) of that Act that a person shall be entitled to receive for one or more contract commodities and oilseeds under the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.) during the 2001 crop year may not exceed \$150,000.

SEC. 11. TIMING OF, AND LIMITATION ON, EXPENDITURES.

(a) **DEADLINE FOR EXPENDITURES.**—All expenditures required by this Act shall be made not later than September 30, 2001. Any funds made available by this Act and remaining unexpended by October 1, 2001, shall be deemed to be unexpendable, and the authority provided by this Act to expend such funds is rescinded effective on that date.

(b) **TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.**—The total amount expended under this Act may not exceed \$5,500,000,000. If the payments required by this Act would result in expenditures in excess of such amount, the Secretary shall reduce such payments on a pro rata basis as necessary to ensure that such expenditures do not exceed such amount.

SEC. 12. REGULATIONS.

(a) **PROMULGATION.**—As soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary and the Commodity Credit Corporation, as appropriate, shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to implement this Act and the amendments made by this Act. The promulgation of the regulations and administration of this Act shall be made without regard to—

(1) the notice and comment provisions of section 553 of title 5, United States Code;

(2) the Statement of Policy of the Secretary of Agriculture effective July 24, 1971 (36 Fed. Reg. 13804), relating to notices of proposed rulemaking and public participation in rulemaking; and

(3) chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (commonly known as the “Paperwork Reduction Act”).

(b) **CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF AGENCY RULEMAKING.**—In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall use the authority provided under section 808 of title 5, United States Code.

SA 1191. Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr.

ALLEN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BOND, Mr. BREAUX, Mrs. CARNAHAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CLELAND, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. COCHRAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MILLER, Mr. REED, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mr. WARNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; as follows:

On page 45, after line 25, insert the following:

TITLE VII—DAIRY CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS PROTECTION

SEC. 701. NORTHEAST INTERSTATE DAIRY COMPACT.

Section 147 of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7256) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “States” and all that follows through “Vermont” and inserting “States of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont”; “

(2) by striking paragraphs (1), (3), and (7);

(3) in paragraph (2), by striking “Class III-A” and inserting “Class IV”; “

(4) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the following:

“(4) **ADDITIONAL STATE.**—Ohio is the only additional State that may join the Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact.”;

(5) in paragraph (5), by striking “the projected rate of increase” and all that follows through “Secretary” and inserting “the operation of the Compact price regulation during the fiscal year, as determined by the Secretary (in consultation with the Commission) using notice and comment procedures provided in section 553 of title 5, United States Code”; and

(6) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (4), (5), and (6) as paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4), respectively.

SEC. 702. SOUTHERN DAIRY COMPACT.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Congress consents to the Southern Dairy Compact entered into among the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia, subject to the following conditions:

(1) **LIMITATION OF MANUFACTURING PRICE REGULATION.**—The Southern Dairy Compact Commission may not regulate Class II, Class III, or Class IV milk used for manufacturing purposes or any other milk, other than Class I, or fluid milk, as defined by a Federal milk marketing order issued under section 8c of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 608c), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1937 (referred to in this section as a “Federal milk marketing order”) unless Congress has first consented to and approved such authority by a law enacted after the date of enactment of this joint resolution.

(2) **ADDITIONAL STATES.**—Florida, Nebraska, and Texas are the only additional States that may join the Southern Dairy Compact, individually or otherwise.

(3) **COMPENSATION OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION.**—Before the end of each fiscal year in which a Compact price regulation is in effect, the Southern Dairy Compact Commission shall compensate the Commodity

Credit Corporation for the cost of any purchases of milk and milk products by the Corporation that result from the operation of the Compact price regulation during the fiscal year, as determined by the Secretary (in consultation with the Commission) using notice and comment procedures provided in section 553 of title 5, United States Code.

(4) **MILK MARKETING ORDER ADMINISTRATOR.**—At the request of the Southern Dairy Compact Commission, the Administrator of the applicable Federal milk marketing order shall provide technical assistance to the Compact Commission and be compensated for that assistance.

(b) **COMPACT.**—The Southern Dairy Compact is substantially as follows:

“ARTICLE I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE, FINDINGS AND DECLARATION OF POLICY

“§ 1. Statement of purpose, findings and declaration of policy

“The purpose of this compact is to recognize the interstate character of the southern dairy industry and the prerogative of the states under the United States Constitution to form an interstate commission for the southern region. The mission of the commission is to take such steps as are necessary to assure the continued viability of dairy farming in the south, and to assure consumers of an adequate, local supply of pure and wholesome milk.

“The participating states find and declare that the dairy industry is an essential agricultural activity of the south. Dairy farms, and associated suppliers, marketers, processors and retailers are an integral component of the region's economy. Their ability to provide a stable, local supply of pure, wholesome milk is a matter of great importance to the health and welfare of the region.

“The participating states further find that dairy farms are essential and they are an integral part of the region's rural communities. The farms preserve land for agricultural purposes and provide needed economic stimuli for rural communities.

“In establishing their constitutional regulatory authority over the region's fluid milk market by this compact, the participating states declare their purpose that this compact neither displace the federal order system nor encourage the merging of federal orders. Specific provisions of the compact itself set forth this basic principle.

“Designed as a flexible mechanism able to adjust to changes in a regulated marketplace, the compact also contains a contingency provision should the federal order system be discontinued. In that event, the interstate commission is authorized to regulate the marketplace in replacement of the order system. This contingent authority does not anticipate such a change, however, and should not be so construed. It is only provided should developments in the market other than establishment of this compact result in discontinuance of the order system.

“By entering into this compact, the participating states affirm that their ability to regulate the price which southern dairy farmers receive for their product is essential to the public interest. Assurance of a fair and equitable price for dairy farmers ensures their ability to provide milk to the market and the vitality of the southern dairy industry, with all the associated benefits.

“Recent, dramatic price fluctuations, with a pronounced downward trend, threaten the viability and stability of the southern dairy region. Historically, individual state regulatory action had been an effective emergency remedy available to farmers confronting a distressed market. The federal order system, implemented by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, establishes only minimum prices paid to pro-

ducers for raw milk, without preempting the power of states to regulate milk prices above the minimum levels so established.

“In today's regional dairy marketplace, cooperative, rather than individual state action is needed to more effectively address the market disarray. Under our constitutional system, properly authorized states acting cooperatively may exercise more power to regulate interstate commerce than they may assert individually without such authority. For this reason, the participating states invoke their authority to act in common agreement, with the consent of Congress, under the compact clause of the Constitution.

“ARTICLE II. DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION

“§ 2. Definitions

“For the purposes of this compact, and of any supplemental or concurring legislation enacted pursuant thereto, except as may be otherwise required by the context:

“(1) ‘Class I milk’ means milk disposed of in fluid form or as a fluid milk product, subject to further definition in accordance with the principles expressed in subdivision (b) of section three.

“(2) ‘Commission’ means the Southern Dairy Compact Commission established by this compact.

“(3) ‘Commission marketing order’ means regulations adopted by the commission pursuant to sections nine and ten of this compact in place of a terminated federal marketing order or state dairy regulation. Such order may apply throughout the region or in any part or parts thereof as defined in the regulations of the commission. Such order may establish minimum prices for any or all classes of milk.

“(4) ‘Compact’ means this interstate compact.

“(5) ‘Compact over-order price’ means a minimum price required to be paid to producers for Class I milk established by the commission in regulations adopted pursuant to sections nine and ten of this compact, which is above the price established in federal marketing orders or by state farm price regulations in the regulated area. Such price may apply throughout the region or in any part or parts thereof as defined in the regulations of the commission.

“(6) ‘Milk’ means the lactiferous secretion of cows and includes all skim, butterfat, or other constituents obtained from separation or any other process. The term is used in its broadest sense and may be further defined by the commission for regulatory purposes.

“(7) ‘Partially regulated plant’ means a milk plant not located in a regulated area but having Class I distribution within such area. Commission regulations may exempt plants having such distribution or receipts in amounts less than the limits defined therein.

“(8) ‘Participating state’ means a state which has become a party to this compact by the enactment of concurring legislation.

“(9) ‘Pool plant’ means any milk plant located in a regulated area.

“(10) ‘Region’ means the territorial limits of the states which are parties to this compact.

“(11) ‘Regulated area’ means any area within the region governed by and defined in regulations establishing a compact over-order price or commission marketing order.

“(12) ‘State dairy regulation’ means any state regulation of dairy prices, and associated assessments, whether by statute, marketing order or otherwise.

“§ 3. Rules of construction

“(a) This compact shall not be construed to displace existing federal milk marketing orders or state dairy regulation in the region

but to supplement them. In the event some or all federal orders in the region are discontinued, the compact shall be construed to provide the commission the option to replace them with one or more commission marketing orders pursuant to this compact.

“(b) The compact shall be construed liberally in order to achieve the purposes and intent enunciated in section one. It is the intent of this compact to establish a basic structure by which the commission may achieve those purposes through the application, adaptation and development of the regulatory techniques historically associated with milk marketing and to afford the commission broad flexibility to devise regulatory mechanisms to achieve the purposes of this compact. In accordance with this intent, the technical terms which are associated with market order regulation and which have acquired commonly understood general meanings are not defined herein but the commission may further define the terms used in this compact and develop additional concepts and define additional terms as it may find appropriate to achieve its purposes.

“ARTICLE III. COMMISSION ESTABLISHED

“§ 4. Commission established

“There is hereby created a commission to administer the compact, composed of delegations from each state in the region. The commission shall be known as the Southern Dairy Compact Commission. A delegation shall include not less than three nor more than five persons. Each delegation shall include at least one dairy farmer who is engaged in the production of milk at the time of appointment or reappointment, and one consumer representative. Delegation members shall be residents and voters of, and subject to such confirmation process as is provided for in the appointing state. Delegation members shall serve no more than three consecutive terms with no single term of more than four years, and be subject to removal for cause. In all other respects, delegation members shall serve in accordance with the laws of the state represented. The compensation, if any, of the members of a state delegation shall be determined and paid by each state, but their expenses shall be paid by the commission.

“§ 5. Voting requirements

“All actions taken by the commission, except for the establishment or termination of an over-order price or commission marketing order, and the adoption, amendment or rescission of the commission's by-laws, shall be by majority vote of the delegations present. Each state delegation shall be entitled to one vote in the conduct of the commission's affairs. Establishment or termination of an over-order price or commission marketing order shall require at least a two-thirds vote of the delegations present. The establishment of a regulated area which covers all or part of a participating state shall require also the affirmative vote of that state's delegation. A majority of the delegations from the participating states shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of the commission's business.

“§ 6. Administration and management

“(a) The commission shall elect annually from among the members of the participating state delegations a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a treasurer. The commission shall appoint an executive director and fix his or her duties and compensation. The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the commission, and together with the treasurer, shall be bonded in an amount determined by the commission. The commission may establish through its by-laws an executive committee composed of one member elected by each delegation.

“(b) The commission shall adopt by-laws for the conduct of its business by a two-thirds vote, and shall have the power by the same vote to amend and rescind these by-laws. The commission shall publish its by-laws in convenient form with the appropriate agency or officer in each of the participating states. The by-laws shall provide for appropriate notice to the delegations of all commission meetings and hearings and of the business to be transacted at such meetings or hearings. Notice also shall be given to other agencies or officers of participating states as provided by the laws of those states.

“(c) The commission shall file an annual report with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, and with each of the participating states by submitting copies to the governor, both houses of the legislature, and the head of the state department having responsibilities for agriculture.

“(d) In addition to the powers and duties elsewhere prescribed in this compact, the commission shall have the power:

“(1) To sue and be sued in any state or federal court;

“(2) To have a seal and alter the same at pleasure;

“(3) To acquire, hold, and dispose of real and personal property by gift, purchase, lease, license, or other similar manner, for its corporate purposes;

“(4) To borrow money and issue notes, to provide for the rights of the holders thereof and to pledge the revenue of the commission as security therefor, subject to the provisions of section eighteen of this compact;

“(5) To appoint such officers, agents, and employees as it may deem necessary, prescribe their powers, duties and qualifications; and

“(6) To create and abolish such offices, employments and positions as it deems necessary for the purposes of the compact and provide for the removal, term, tenure, compensation, fringe benefits, pension, and retirement rights of its officers and employees. The commission may also retain personal services on a contract basis.

“§ 7. Rulemaking power

“In addition to the power to promulgate a compact over-order price or commission marketing orders as provided by this compact, the commission is further empowered to make and enforce such additional rules and regulations as it deems necessary to implement any provisions of this compact, or to effectuate in any other respect the purposes of this compact.

“ARTICLE IV. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION

“§ 8. Powers to promote regulatory uniformity, simplicity, and interstate cooperation

“The commission is hereby empowered to:

“(1) Investigate or provide for investigations or research projects designed to review the existing laws and regulations of the participating states, to consider their administration and costs, to measure their impact on the production and marketing of milk and their effects on the shipment of milk and milk products within the region.

“(2) Study and recommend to the participating states joint or cooperative programs for the administration of the dairy marketing laws and regulations and to prepare estimates of cost savings and benefits of such programs.

“(3) Encourage the harmonious relationships between the various elements in the industry for the solution of their material problems. Conduct symposia or conferences designed to improve industry relations, or a better understanding of problems.

“(4) Prepare and release periodic reports on activities and results of the commission's efforts to the participating states.

“(5) Review the existing marketing system for milk and milk products and recommend changes in the existing structure for assembly and distribution of milk which may assist, improve or promote more efficient assembly and distribution of milk.

“(6) Investigate costs and charges for producing, hauling, handling, processing, distributing, selling and for all other services performed with respect to milk.

“(7) Examine current economic forces affecting producers, probable trends in production and consumption, the level of dairy farm prices in relation to costs, the financial conditions of dairy farmers, and the need for an emergency order to relieve critical conditions on dairy farms.

“§ 9. Equitable farm prices

“(a) The powers granted in this section and section ten shall apply only to the establishment of a compact over-order price, so long as federal milk marketing orders remain in effect in the region. In the event that any or all such orders are terminated, this article shall authorize the commission to establish one or more commission marketing orders, as herein provided, in the region or parts thereof as defined in the order.

“(b) A compact over-order price established pursuant to this section shall apply only to Class I milk. Such compact over-order price shall not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per gallon at Atlanta, Ga., however, this compact over-order price shall be adjusted upward or downward at other locations in the region to reflect differences in minimum federal order prices. Beginning in nineteen hundred ninety, and using that year as a base, the foregoing one dollar fifty cents per gallon maximum shall be adjusted annually by the rate of change in the Consumer Price Index as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor. For purposes of the pooling and equalization of an over-order price, the value of milk used in other use classifications shall be calculated at the appropriate class price established pursuant to the applicable federal order or state dairy regulation and the value of unregulated milk shall be calculated in relation to the nearest prevailing class price in accordance with and subject to such adjustments as the commission may prescribe in regulations.

“(c) A commission marketing order shall apply to all classes and uses of milk.

“(d) The commission is hereby empowered to establish a compact over-order price for milk to be paid by pool plants and partially regulated plants. The commission is also empowered to establish a compact over-order price to be paid by all other handlers receiving milk from producers located in a regulated area. This price shall be established either as a compact over-order price or by one or more commission marketing orders. Whenever such a price has been established by either type of regulation, the legal obligation to pay such price shall be determined solely by the terms and purpose of the regulation without regard to the situs of the transfer of title, possession or any other factors not related to the purposes of the regulation and this compact. Producer-handlers as defined in an applicable federal market order shall not be subject to a compact over-order price. The commission shall provide for similar treatment of producer-handlers under commission marketing orders.

“(e) In determining the price, the commission shall consider the balance between production and consumption of milk and milk products in the regulated area, the costs of production including, but not limited to the

price of feed, the cost of labor including the reasonable value of the producer's own labor and management, machinery expense, and interest expense, the prevailing price for milk outside the regulated area, the purchasing power of the public and the price necessary to yield a reasonable return to the producer and distributor.

“(f) When establishing a compact over-order price, the commission shall take such other action as is necessary and feasible to help ensure that the over-order price does not cause or compensate producers so as to generate local production of milk in excess of those quantities necessary to assure consumers of an adequate supply for fluid purposes.

“(g) The commission shall whenever possible enter into agreements with state or federal agencies for exchange of information or services for the purpose of reducing regulatory burden and cost of administering the compact. The commission may reimburse other agencies for the reasonable cost of providing these services.

“§ 10. Optional provisions for pricing order

“Regulations establishing a compact over-order price or a commission marketing order may contain, but shall not be limited to any of the following:

“(1) Provisions classifying milk in accordance with the form in which or purpose for which it is used, or creating a flat pricing program.

“(2) With respect to a commission marketing order only, provisions establishing or providing a method for establishing separate minimum prices for each use classification prescribed by the commission, or a single minimum price for milk purchased from producers or associations of producers.

“(3) With respect to an over-order minimum price, provisions establishing or providing a method for establishing such minimum price for Class I milk.

“(4) Provisions for establishing either an over-order price or a commission marketing order may make use of any reasonable method for establishing such price or prices including flat pricing and formula pricing. Provision may also be made for location adjustments, zone differentials and for competitive credits with respect to regulated handlers who market outside the regulated area.

“(5) Provisions for the payment to all producers and associations of producers delivering milk to all handlers of uniform prices for all milk so delivered, irrespective of the uses made of such milk by the individual handler to whom it is delivered, or for the payment of producers delivering milk to the same handler of uniform prices for all milk delivered by them.

“(A) With respect to regulations establishing a compact over-order price, the commission may establish one equalization pool within the regulated area for the sole purpose of equalizing returns to producers throughout the regulated area.

“(B) With respect to any commission marketing order, as defined in section two, subdivision three, which replaces one or more terminated federal orders or state dairy regulations, the marketing area of now separate state or federal orders shall not be merged without the affirmative consent of each state, voting through its delegation, which is partly or wholly included within any such new marketing area.

“(6) Provisions requiring persons who bring Class I milk into the regulated area to make compensatory payments with respect to all such milk to the extent necessary to equalize the cost of milk purchased by handlers subject to a compact over-order price or

commission marketing order. No such provisions shall discriminate against milk producers outside the regulated area. The provisions for compensatory payments may require payment of the difference between the Class I price required to be paid for such milk in the state of production by a federal milk marketing order or state dairy regulation and the Class I price established by the compact over-order price or commission marketing order.

“(7) Provisions specially governing the pricing and pooling of milk handled by partially regulated plants.

“(8) Provisions requiring that the account of any person regulated under the compact over-order price shall be adjusted for any payments made to or received by such persons with respect to a producer settlement fund of any federal or state milk marketing order or other state dairy regulation within the regulated area.

“(9) Provision requiring the payment by handlers of an assessment to cover the costs of the administration and enforcement of such order pursuant to Article VII, Section 18(a).

“(10) Provisions for reimbursement to participants of the Women, Infants and Children Special Supplemental Food Program of the United States Child Nutrition Act of 1966.

“(11) Other provisions and requirements as the commission may find are necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this compact and to provide for the payment of fair and equitable minimum prices to producers.

“ARTICLE V. RULEMAKING PROCEDURE

“§ 11. Rulemaking procedure

“Before promulgation of any regulations establishing a compact over-order price or commission marketing order, including any provision with respect to milk supply under subsection 9(f), or amendment thereof, as provided in Article IV, the commission shall conduct an informal rulemaking proceeding to provide interested persons with an opportunity to present data and views. Such rulemaking proceeding shall be governed by section four of the Federal Administrative Procedure Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. § 553). In addition, the commission shall, to the extent practicable, publish notice of rulemaking proceedings in the official register of each participating state. Before the initial adoption of regulations establishing a compact over-order price or a commission marketing order and thereafter before any amendment with regard to prices or assessments, the commission shall hold a public hearing. The commission may commence a rulemaking proceeding on its own initiative or may in its sole discretion act upon the petition of any person including individual milk producers, any organization of milk producers or handlers, general farm organizations, consumer or public interest groups, and local, state or federal officials.

“§ 12. Findings and referendum

“(a) In addition to the concise general statement of basis and purpose required by section 4(b) of the Federal Administrative Procedure Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. § 553(c)), the commission shall make findings of fact with respect to:

“(1) Whether the public interest will be served by the establishment of minimum milk prices to dairy farmers under Article IV.

“(2) What level of prices will assure that producers receive a price sufficient to cover their costs of production and will elicit an adequate supply of milk for the inhabitants of the regulated area and for manufacturing purposes.

“(3) Whether the major provisions of the order, other than those fixing minimum milk

prices, are in the public interest and are reasonably designed to achieve the purposes of the order.

“(4) Whether the terms of the proposed regional order or amendment are approved by producers as provided in section thirteen.

“§ 13. Producer referendum

“(a) For the purpose of ascertaining whether the issuance or amendment of regulations establishing a compact over-order price or a commission marketing order, including any provision with respect to milk supply under subsection 9(f), is approved by producers, the commission shall conduct a referendum among producers. The referendum shall be held in a timely manner, as determined by regulation of the commission. The terms and conditions of the proposed order or amendment shall be described by the commission in the ballot used in the conduct of the referendum, but the nature, content, or extent of such description shall not be a basis for attacking the legality of the order or any action relating thereto.

“(b) An order or amendment shall be deemed approved by producers if the commission determines that it is approved by at least two-thirds of the voting producers who, during a representative period determined by the commission, have been engaged in the production of milk the price of which would be regulated under the proposed order or amendment.

“(c) For purposes of any referendum, the commission shall consider the approval or disapproval by any cooperative association of producers, qualified under the provisions of the Act of Congress of February 18, 1922, as amended, known as the Capper-Volstead Act, bona fide engaged in marketing milk, or in rendering services for or advancing the interests of producers of such commodity, as the approval or disapproval of the producers who are members or stockholders in, or under contract with, such cooperative association of producers, except as provided in subdivision (1) hereof and subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) through (5) hereof.

“(1) No cooperative which has been formed to act as a common marketing agency for both cooperatives and individual producers shall be qualified to block vote for either.

“(2) Any cooperative which is qualified to block vote shall, before submitting its approval or disapproval in any referendum, give prior written notice to each of its members as to whether and how it intends to cast its vote. The notice shall be given in a timely manner as established, and in the form prescribed, by the commission.

“(3) Any producer may obtain a ballot from the commission in order to register approval or disapproval of the proposed order.

“(4) A producer who is a member of a cooperative which has provided notice of its intent to approve or not to approve a proposed order, and who obtains a ballot and with such ballot expresses his approval or disapproval of the proposed order, shall notify the commission as to the name of the cooperative of which he or she is a member, and the commission shall remove such producer's name from the list certified by such cooperative with its corporate vote.

“(5) In order to insure that all milk producers are informed regarding the proposed order, the commission shall notify all milk producers that an order is being considered and that each producer may register his approval or disapproval with the commission either directly or through his or her cooperative.

“§ 14. Termination of over-order price or marketing order

“(a) The commission shall terminate any regulations establishing an over-order price or commission marketing order issued under

this article whenever it finds that such order or price obstructs or does not tend to effectuate the declared policy of this compact.

“(b) The commission shall terminate any regulations establishing an over-order price or a commission marketing order issued under this article whenever it finds that such termination is favored by a majority of the producers who, during a representative period determined by the commission, have been engaged in the production of milk the price of which is regulated by such order; but such termination shall be effective only if announced on or before such date as may be specified in such marketing agreement or order.

“(c) The termination or suspension of any order or provision thereof, shall not be considered an order within the meaning of this article and shall require no hearing, but shall comply with the requirements for informal rulemaking prescribed by section four of the Federal Administrative Procedure Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. § 553).

“ARTICLE VI. ENFORCEMENT

“§ 15. Records; reports; access to premises

“(a) The commission may by rule and regulation prescribe record keeping and reporting requirements for all regulated persons. For purposes of the administration and enforcement of this compact, the commission is authorized to examine the books and records of any regulated person relating to his or her milk business and for that purpose, the commission's properly designated officers, employees, or agents shall have full access during normal business hours to the premises and records of all regulated persons.

“(b) Information furnished to or acquired by the commission officers, employees, or its agents pursuant to this section shall be confidential and not subject to disclosure except to the extent that the commission deems disclosure to be necessary in any administrative or judicial proceeding involving the administration or enforcement of this compact, an over-order price, a compact marketing order, or other regulations of the commission. The commission may promulgate regulations further defining the confidentiality of information pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit (i) the issuance of general statements based upon the reports of a number of handlers, which do not identify the information furnished by any person, or (ii) the publication by direction of the commission of the name of any person violating any regulation of the commission, together with a statement of the particular provisions violated by such person.

“(c) No officer, employee, or agent of the commission shall intentionally disclose information, by inference or otherwise, which is made confidential pursuant to this section. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or to imprisonment for not more than one year, or to both, and shall be removed from office. The commission shall refer any allegation of a violation of this section to the appropriate state enforcement authority or United States Attorney.

“§ 16. Subpoena; hearings and judicial review

“(a) The commission is hereby authorized and empowered by its members and its properly designated officers to administer oaths and issue subpoenas throughout all signatory states to compel the attendance of witnesses and the giving of testimony and the production of other evidence.

“(b) Any handler subject to an order may file a written petition with the commission stating that any such order or any provision

of any such order or any obligation imposed in connection therewith is not in accordance with law and praying for a modification thereof or to be exempted therefrom. He shall thereupon be given an opportunity for a hearing upon such petition, in accordance with regulations made by the commission. After such hearing, the commission shall make a ruling upon the prayer of such petition which shall be final, if in accordance with law.

“(c) The district courts of the United States in any district in which such handler is an inhabitant, or has his principal place of business, are hereby vested with jurisdiction to review such ruling, provided a complaint for that purpose is filed within thirty days from the date of the entry of such ruling. Service of process in such proceedings may be had upon the commission by delivering to it a copy of the complaint. If the court determines that such ruling is not in accordance with law, it shall remand such proceedings to the commission with directions either (1) to make such ruling as the court shall determine to be in accordance with law, or (2) to take such further proceedings as, in its opinion, the law requires. The pendency of proceedings instituted pursuant to this subdivision shall not impede, hinder, or delay the commission from obtaining relief pursuant to section seventeen. Any proceedings brought pursuant to section seventeen, except where brought by way of counterclaim in proceedings instituted pursuant to this section, shall abate whenever a final decree has been rendered in proceedings between the same parties, and covering the same subject matter, instituted pursuant to this section.

“§ 17. Enforcement with respect to handlers

“(a) Any violation by a handler of the provisions of regulations establishing an over-order price or a commission marketing order, or other regulations adopted pursuant to this compact shall:

“(1) Constitute a violation of the laws of each of the signatory states. Such violation shall render the violator subject to a civil penalty in an amount as may be prescribed by the laws of each of the participating states, recoverable in any state or federal court of competent jurisdiction. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation.

“(2) Constitute grounds for the revocation of license or permit to engage in the milk business under the applicable laws of the participating states.

“(b) With respect to handlers, the commission shall enforce the provisions of this compact, regulations establishing an over-order price, a commission marketing order or other regulations adopted hereunder by:

“(1) Commencing an action for legal or equitable relief brought in the name of the commission of any state or federal court of competent jurisdiction; or

“(2) Referral to the state agency for enforcement by judicial or administrative remedy with the agreement of the appropriate state agency of a participating state.

“(c) With respect to handlers, the commission may bring an action for injunction to enforce the provisions of this compact or the order or regulations adopted thereunder without being compelled to allege or prove that an adequate remedy of law does not exist.

“ARTICLE VII. FINANCE

“§ 18. Finance of start-up and regular costs

“(a) To provide for its start-up costs, the commission may borrow money pursuant to its general power under section six, subdivision (d), paragraph four. In order to finance the costs of administration and enforcement

of this compact, including payback of start-up costs, the commission is hereby empowered to collect an assessment from each handler who purchases milk from producers within the region. If imposed, this assessment shall be collected on a monthly basis for up to one year from the date the commission convenes, in an amount not to exceed \$.015 per hundredweight of milk purchased from producers during the period of the assessment. The initial assessment may apply to the projected purchases of handlers for the two-month period following the date the commission convenes. In addition, if regulations establishing an over-order price or a compact marketing order are adopted, they may include an assessment for the specific purpose of their administration. These regulations shall provide for establishment of a reserve for the commission's ongoing operating expenses.

“(b) The commission shall not pledge the credit of any participating state or of the United States. Notes issued by the commission and all other financial obligations incurred by it, shall be its sole responsibility and no participating state or the United States shall be liable therefor.

“§ 19. Audit and accounts

“(a) The commission shall keep accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements, which shall be subject to the audit and accounting procedures established under its rules. In addition, all receipts and disbursements of funds handled by the commission shall be audited yearly by a qualified public accountant and the report of the audit shall be included in and become part of the annual report of the commission.

“(b) The accounts of the commission shall be open at any reasonable time for inspection by duly constituted officers of the participating states and by any persons authorized by the commission.

“(c) Nothing contained in this article shall be construed to prevent commission compliance with laws relating to audit or inspection of accounts by or on behalf of any participating state or of the United States.

“ARTICLE VIII. ENTRY INTO FORCE; ADDITIONAL MEMBERS AND WITHDRAWAL

“§ 20. Entry into force; additional members

“The compact shall enter into force effective when enacted into law by any three states of the group of states composed of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia and when the consent of Congress has been obtained.

“§ 21. Withdrawal from compact

“Any participating state may withdraw from this compact by enacting a statute repealing the same, but no such withdrawal shall take effect until one year after notice in writing of the withdrawal is given to the commission and the governors of all other participating states. No withdrawal shall affect any liability already incurred by or chargeable to a participating state prior to the time of such withdrawal.

“§ 22. Severability

“If any part or provision of this compact is adjudged invalid by any court, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this compact. In the event Congress consents to this compact subject to conditions, said conditions shall not impair the validity of this compact when said conditions are accepted by three or more compacting states. A com-

pacting state may accept the conditions of Congress by implementation of this compact.”

SEC. 703. PACIFIC NORTHWEST DAIRY COMPACT.

Congress consents to a Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact proposed for the States of California, Oregon, and Washington, subject to the following conditions:

(1) TEXT.—The text of the Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact shall be identical to the text of the Southern Dairy Compact, except as follows:

(A) References to “south”, “southern”, and “Southern” shall be changed to “Pacific Northwest”.

(B) In section 9(b), the reference to “Atlanta, Georgia” shall be changed to “Seattle, Washington”.

(C) In section 20, the reference to “any three” and all that follows shall be changed to “California, Oregon, and Washington.”.

(2) LIMITATION OF MANUFACTURING PRICE REGULATION.—The Dairy Compact Commission established to administer the Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact (referred to in this section as the “Commission”) may not regulate Class II, Class III, or Class IV milk used for manufacturing purposes or any other milk, other than Class I, or fluid milk, as defined by a Federal milk marketing order issued under section 8c of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 608c), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1937 (referred to in this section as a “Federal milk marketing order”).

(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Congressional consent under this section takes effect on the date (not later than 3 year after the date of enactment of this Act) on which the Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact is entered into by the second of the 3 States specified in the matter preceding paragraph (1).

(4) COMPENSATION OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION.—Before the end of each fiscal year in which a price regulation is in effect under the Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact, the Commission shall compensate the Commodity Credit Corporation for the cost of any purchases of milk and milk products by the Corporation that result from the operation of the Compact price regulation during the fiscal year, as determined by the Secretary (in consultation with the Commission) using notice and comment procedures provided in section 553 of title 5, United States Code.

(5) MILK MARKETING ORDER ADMINISTRATOR.—At the request of the Commission, the Administrator of the applicable Federal milk marketing order shall provide technical assistance to the Commission and be compensated for that assistance.

SEC. 704. INTERMOUNTAIN DAIRY COMPACT.

Congress consents to an Intermountain Dairy Compact proposed for the States of Colorado, Nevada, and Utah, subject to the following conditions:

(1) TEXT.—The text of the Intermountain Dairy Compact shall be identical to the text of the Southern Dairy Compact, except as follows:

(A) In section 1, the references to “southern” and “south” shall be changed to “Intermountain” and “Intermountain region”, respectively.

(B) References to “Southern” shall be changed to “Intermountain”.

(C) In section 9(b), the reference to “Atlanta, Georgia” shall be changed to “Salt Lake City, Utah”.

(D) In section 20, the reference to “any three” and all that follows shall be changed to “Colorado, Nevada, and Utah.”.

(2) LIMITATION OF MANUFACTURING PRICE REGULATION.—The Dairy Compact Commission established to administer the Intermountain Dairy Compact (referred to in this

section as the "Commission") may not regulate Class II, Class III, or Class IV milk used for manufacturing purposes or any other milk, other than Class I, or fluid milk, as defined by a Federal milk marketing order issued under section 8c of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 608c), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1937 (referred to in this section as a "Federal milk marketing order").

(3) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Congressional consent under this section takes effect on the date (not later than 3 year after the date of enactment of this Act) on which the Intermountain Dairy Compact is entered into by the second of the 3 States specified in the matter preceding paragraph (1).

(4) **COMPENSATION OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION.**—Before the end of each fiscal year in which a price regulation is in effect under the Intermountain Dairy Compact, the Commission shall compensate the Commodity Credit Corporation for the cost of any purchases of milk and milk products by the Corporation that result from the operation of the Compact price regulation during the fiscal year, as determined by the Secretary (in consultation with the Commission) using notice and comment procedures provided in section 553 of title 5, United States Code.

(5) **MILK MARKETING ORDER ADMINISTRATOR.**—At the request of the Commission, the Administrator of the applicable Federal milk marketing order shall provide technical assistance to the Commission and be compensated for that assistance.

SA 1192. Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

In Title I, Section 108(b), strike "particularly agricultural production in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic States."

SA 1193. Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

In Title IV, Section 401(a)(3)(A), strike "or energy emergency" and insert "energy emergency or major disaster caused by direct federal action."

SA 1194. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

In the appropriate place insert the following:

SEC. 13. OMB CERTIFICATION THAT LEGISLATION WILL NOT AFFECT MEDICARE PART A TRUST FUND SURPLUS.

The Secretary may not release the funds to carry out this Act or an amendment made by this Act unless the Director of the Office of Management and Budget certifies that this Act and the amendments made by this Act, when taken together with all other previously-enacted legislation, would not reduce the on-budget surplus for fiscal year 2001 below the level of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund surplus for the fiscal year.

SA 1195. Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 47, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

SEC. 7 . CORPORATE AVERAGE FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS.

Section 320 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (114 Stat. 1356, 1356A-28), is repealed.

SA 1196. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 7, strike the entire following section:

"SEC. 103. PEANUTS."

SA 1197. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 7 and 8, strike the entire following section:

"SEC. 104. SUGAR."

SA 1198. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 13 through 19, strike the entire following section:

"SEC. 112. TOBACCO."

SA 1199. Mr. GREGG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 47, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

SEC. 801. LIMITATIONS.

(a) **INCOME LIMITATION.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, a person that has qualifying gross revenues (as defined in section 196(i)(1) of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7333(i)(1))) in excess of \$2,000,000 during a taxable year (as determined by the Secretary) shall not be eligible to receive a payment, loan, or other assistance under this Act.

(b) **ACTIVE FARMERS.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, to be eligible for a payment, loan, or other assistance under this Act with respect to a particular farming operation, an individual of the farming operation must be actively engaged in farming with respect to the operation, as provided in paragraphs (2) through (6) of section 1001A(b) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308-1(b)).

SA 1200. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be

proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 47, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

SEC. 703. BIENNIAL REPORTS ON RELATIVE PRICES OF FARM INPUTS.

Subtitle A of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 209. BIENNIAL REPORTS ON RELATIVE PRICES OF FARM INPUTS.

"Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, and biennially thereafter, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report on—

"(1) the prices of farm inputs paid by agricultural producers in countries that compete with United States agricultural producers, as compared with the prices paid by United States agricultural producers; and

"(2) the effect of any differences in those prices on United States agricultural competitiveness and profitability."

SA 1201. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 47, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

SEC. 703. BIOBASED, BIODEGRADABLE CLEANERS AND SOLVENTS.

In carrying out this Act and other provisions of law, the Secretary shall purchase cleaners and solvents that are biobased and biodegradable unless such cleaners and solvents are not available at a cost that is not more than the cost of, and of a quality that is not less than, cleaners or solvents that are not biobased or biodegradable.

SA 1202. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers, which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

Beginning on page 37, strike line 15 and all that follows through page 42, line 5.

SA 1203. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

Beginning on page 26, strike line 3 and all that follows through page 27, line 17.

SA 1204. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

Beginning on page 7, strike line 11 and all that follows through page 8, line 16, and insert the following:

SEC. 104. SUGAR.

Section 156(f) of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7272(f)) shall not

apply with respect to the 2001 crop of sugarcane and sugar beets.

SA 1205. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 47, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

SEC. 703. REPORT ON EFFECT OF HIGH ENERGY AND FERTILIZER PRICES.

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report on the effect of high energy and fertilizer prices on farm income and the cost of production of agricultural commodities.

SA 1206. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 46, strike lines 2 through 21 and insert the following:

SEC. 701. RESEARCH ON HUMANE ALTERNATIVES TO FORCED MOLTING FOR EGG PRODUCTION.

The Secretary shall use \$3,500,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide grants to conduct research on humane alternatives to the production of eggs using forced molting.

SA 1207. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 37, strike lines 6 through 14 and insert the following:

SEC. 501. RESEARCH ON HUMANE ALTERNATIVES TO FORCED MOLTING FOR EGG PRODUCTION.

The Secretary shall use \$3,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide grants to conduct research on humane alternatives to the production of eggs using forced molting.

SA 1208. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 22, strike lines 13 through 25.

SA 1209. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ PROTECT SOCIAL SECURITY SURPLUSES ACT OF 2001.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Protect Social Security Surpluses Act of 2001”.

(b) **REVISION OF ENFORCING DEFICIT TARGETS.**—Section 253 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 903) is amended—

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

“(b) **EXCESS DEFICIT; MARGIN.**—The excess deficit is, if greater than zero, the estimated deficit for the budget year, minus the margin for that year. In this subsection, the margin for each fiscal year is 0.5 percent of estimated total outlays for that fiscal year.”;

(2) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the following:

“(c) **ELIMINATING EXCESS DEFICIT.**—Each non-exempt account shall be reduced by a dollar amount calculated by multiplying the baseline level of sequesterable budgetary resources in that account at that time by the uniform percentage necessary to eliminate an excess deficit.”; and

(3) by striking subsections (g) and (h).
(c) **MEDICARE EXEMPT.**—The Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 is amended—

(1) in section 253(e)(3)(A), by striking clause (i); and

(2) in section 256, by striking subsection (d).

(d) **ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSUMPTIONS.**—Notwithstanding section 254(j) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 904(j)), the Office of Management and Budget shall use the economic and technical assumptions underlying the report issued pursuant to section 1106 of title 31, United States Code, for purposes of determining the excess deficit under section 253(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as added by subsection (b).

(e) **APPLICATION OF SEQUESTRATION TO BUDGET ACCOUNTS.**—Section 256(k) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 906(k)) is amended by—

(1) striking paragraph (2); and
(2) redesignating paragraphs (3) through (6) as paragraphs (2) through (5), respectively.

(f) **STRENGTHENING SOCIAL SECURITY POINTS OF ORDER.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 312 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 643) is amended by inserting at the end the following:

“(g) **STRENGTHENING SOCIAL SECURITY POINT OF ORDER.**—It shall not be in order in the House of Representatives or the Senate to consider a concurrent resolution on the budget (or any amendment thereto or conference report thereon) or any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would violate or amend section 13301 of the Budget Enforcement Act of 1990.”.

(2) **SUPER MAJORITY REQUIREMENT.**—

(A) **POINT OF ORDER.**—Section 904(c)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is amended by inserting “312(g),” after “310(d)(2).”.

(B) **WAIVER.**—Section 904(d)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is amended by inserting “312(g),” after “310(d)(2).”.

(3) **ENFORCEMENT IN EACH FISCAL YEAR.**—The Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is amended in—

(A) section 301(a)(7) (2 U.S.C. 632(a)(7)), by striking “for the fiscal year” through the period and inserting “for each fiscal year covered by the resolution”; and

(B) section 311(a)(3) (2 U.S.C. 642(a)(3)), by striking beginning with “for the first fiscal year” through the period and insert the following: “for any of the fiscal years covered by the concurrent resolution.”.

(g) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section and the amendments made by this section shall apply to fiscal years 2002 through 2006.

SA 1210. Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to

be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title VII, add the following:

SEC. 7 ____ UNLAWFUL STOCKYARD PRACTICES INVOLVING NONAMBULATORY LIVESTOCK.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Title III of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, (7 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 318. UNLAWFUL STOCKYARD PRACTICES INVOLVING NONAMBULATORY LIVESTOCK.

“(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

“(1) **HUMANELY EUTHANIZE.**—The term ‘humanely euthanize’ means to kill an animal by mechanical, chemical, or other means that immediately render the animal unconscious, with this state remaining until the animal’s death.

“(2) **NONAMBULATORY LIVESTOCK.**—The term ‘nonambulatory livestock’ means any livestock that is unable to stand and walk unassisted.

“(b) **UNLAWFUL PRACTICES.**—It shall be unlawful for any stockyard owner, market agency, or dealer to buy, sell, give, receive, transfer, market, hold, or drag any nonambulatory livestock unless the nonambulatory livestock has been humanely euthanized.”.

(b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The amendment made by subsection (a) takes effect 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act.

(2) **REGULATIONS.**—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall promulgate regulations to carry out the amendment.

SA 1211. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 47, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

SEC. 801. INCOME LIMITATION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, a person that has qualifying gross revenues (as defined in section 196(i)(1) of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7333(i)(1))) derived from for-profit farming, ranching, and forestry operations in excess of \$1,000,000 during a taxable year (as determined by the Secretary) shall not be eligible to receive a payment, loan, or other assistance under this Act.

SA 1212. Mr. LUGAR proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1246, to respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers; as follows:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. MARKET LOSS ASSISTANCE.

(a) **ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.**—The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) shall, to the maximum extent practicable, use \$4,622,240,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a market loss assistance payment to owners and producers on a farm that are eligible for a final payment for fiscal year 2001 under a production flexibility contract for the farm under the Agriculture Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.).

(b) AMOUNT.—The amount of assistance made available to owners and producers on a farm under this section shall be proportionate to the amount of the total contract payments received by the owners and producers for fiscal year 2001 under a production flexibility contract for the farm under the Agricultural Market Transition Act.

SEC. 2. SUPPLEMENTAL OLSEEDS PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$423,510,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a supplemental payment under section 202 of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers of the 2000 crop of oilseeds that previously received a payment under such section.

SEC. 3. SUPPLEMENTAL PEANUT PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$54,210,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 204(a) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers of quota peanuts or additional peanuts for the 2000 crop year that previously received a payment under such section. The Secretary shall adjust the payment rate specified in such section to reflect the amount made available for payments under this section.

SEC. 4. SUPPLEMENTAL TOBACCO PAYMENT.

(a) SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT.—The Secretary shall sue \$129,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 204(b) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to eligible persons (as defined in such section) that previously received a payment under such section.

(b) SPECIAL RULE FOR GEORGIA.—The Secretary may make payments under this section to eligible persons in Georgia only if the State of Georgia agrees to use the sum of \$13,000,000 to make payments at the same time, or subsequently, to the same persons in the same manner as provided for the Federal payments under this section, as required by section 204(b)(6) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000.

SEC. 5. SUPPLEMENTAL WOOL AND MOHAIR PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$16,940,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 814 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (as enacted by Public Law 106-387), to producers of wool, and producers of mohair, for the 2000 marketing year that previously received a payment under such section. The Secretary shall adjust the payment rate specified in such section to reflect the amount made available for payments under this section.

SEC. 6. SUPPLEMENTAL COTTONSEED ASSISTANCE.

The Secretary shall use \$84,700,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide supplemental assistance under section 204(e) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers and first-handlers of the 2000 crop of cottonseed that previously received assistance under such section.

SEC. 7. SPECIALTY CROPS.

(a) BASE STATE GRANTS.—The Secretary shall use \$26,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make grants to the several States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to be used to support activities that promote agriculture. The amount of the grant shall be—

(1) \$500,000,000 to each of the several States; and

(2) \$1,000,000 to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

(b) GRANTS FOR VALUE OF PRODUCTION.—The Secretary shall use \$133,400,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a grant to each of the several States in an amount that represents the proportion of the value of specialty crop production in the State in relation to the national value of specialty crop production, as follows:

- (1) California, \$63,320,000.
- (2) Florida, \$16,860,000.
- (3) Washington, \$9,610,000.
- (4) Idaho, \$3,670,000.
- (5) Arizona, \$3,430,000.
- (6) Michigan, \$3,250,000.
- (7) Oregon, \$3,220,000.
- (8) Georgia, \$2,730,000.
- (9) Texas, \$2,660,000.
- (10) New York, \$2,660,000.
- (11) Wisconsin, \$2,570,000.
- (12) North Carolina, \$1,540,000.
- (13) Colorado, \$1,510,000.
- (14) North Dakota, \$1,380,000.
- (15) Minnesota, \$1,320,000.
- (16) Hawaii, \$1,150,000.
- (17) New Jersey, \$1,100,000.
- (18) Pennsylvania, \$980,000.
- (19) New Mexico, \$900,000.
- (20) Maine, \$880,000.
- (21) Ohio, \$800,000.
- (22) Indiana, \$660,000.
- (23) Nebraska, \$640,000.
- (24) Massachusetts, \$640,000.
- (25) Virginia, \$620,000.
- (26) Maryland, \$500,000.
- (27) Louisiana, \$460,000.
- (28) South Carolina, \$440,000.
- (29) Tennessee, \$400,000.
- (30) Illinois, \$400,000.
- (31) Oklahoma, \$390,000.
- (32) Alabama, \$300,000.
- (33) Delaware, \$290,000.
- (34) Mississippi, \$250,000.
- (35) Kansas, \$210,000.
- (36) Arkansas, \$210,000.
- (37) Missouri, \$210,000.
- (38) Connecticut, \$180,000.
- (39) Utah, \$140,000.
- (40) Montana, \$140,000.
- (41) New Hampshire, \$120,000.
- (42) Nevada, \$120,000.
- (43) Vermont, \$120,000.
- (44) Iowa, \$100,000.
- (45) West Virginia, \$90,000.
- (46) Wyoming, \$70,000.
- (47) Kentucky, \$60,000.
- (48) South Dakota, \$40,000.
- (49) Rhode Island, \$40,000.
- (50) Alaska, \$20,000.

(c) SPECIALTY CROP PRIORITY.—As a condition on the receipt of a grant under this section, a State shall agree to give priority to the support of specialty crops in the use of the grant funds.

(d) SPECIALTY CROP DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'specialty crop' means any agricultural crop, except wheat, feed grains, oilseeds, cotton, rice, peanuts, and tobacco.

SEC. 8. COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

The Secretary shall use \$10,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a grant to each of the several States to be used by the States to cover direct and indirect costs related to the processing, transportation, and distribution of commodities to eligible recipient agencies. The grants shall be allocated to States in the manner provided under section 204(a) of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7508(a)).

SEC. 9. TECHNICAL CORRECTION REGARDING INDEMNITY PAYMENTS FOR COTTON PRODUCERS.

(a) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT TO STATE.—Subsection (b) of section 1121 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 (as contained in sec-

tion 101(a) of division A of Public Law 105-277 (7 U.S.C. 1421 note), and as amended by section 754 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (as enacted by Public Law 106-387; 114 Stat. 1549A-42), is amended to read as follows:

“(b) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT TO STATE.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall make the payment to the State of Georgia under subsection (a) only if the State—

“(1) contributes \$5,000,000 to the indemnity fund and agrees to expend all amounts in the indemnity fund by not later than January 1, 2002 (or as soon as administratively practical thereafter), to provide compensation to cotton producers as provided in such subsection;

“(2) requires the recipient of a payment from the indemnity fund to repay the State, for deposit in the indemnity fund, the amount of any duplicate payment the recipient otherwise recovers for such loss of cotton, or the loss of proceeds from the sale of cotton, up to the amount of the payment from the indemnity fund; and

“(3) agrees to deposit in the indemnity fund the proceeds of any bond collected by the State for the benefit of recipients of payments from the indemnity fund, to the extent of such payments.”.

(b) ADDITIONAL DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE INDEMNITY FUND.—Subsection (d) of such section is amended to read as follows:

“(d) ADDITIONAL DISBURSEMENT TO COTTON GINNERS.—The State of Georgia shall use funds remaining in the indemnity fund, after the provision of compensation to cotton producers in Georgia under subsection (a) (including cotton producers who file a contingent claim, as defined and provided in section 51 of chapter 19 of title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia), to compensate cotton ginner (as defined as provided in such section) that—

“(1) Incurred a loss as the result of—

“(A) the business failure of any cotton buyer doing business in Georgia; or

“(B) the failure or refusal of any such cotton buyer to pay the contracted price that had been agreed upon by the ginner and the buyer for cotton grown in Georgia on or after January 1, 1997, and had been purchased or contracted by the ginner from cotton producers in Georgia;

“(2) paid cotton producers the amount which the cotton ginner had agreed to pay for such cotton received from such cotton producers in Georgia; and

“(3) satisfy the procedural requirements and deadlines specified in chapter 19 of title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia applicable to cotton ginner claims.”.

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (c) of such section is amended by striking “Upon the establishment of the indemnity fund, and not later than October 1, 1999, the” and inserting “The”.

SEC. 10. INCREASE IN PAYMENT LIMITATIONS REGARDING LOCAL DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS AND MARKETING LOAN GAINS.

Notwithstanding section 1001(2) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308(1)), the total amount of the payments specified in section 1001(3) of that Act that a person shall be entitled to receive for one on more contract commodities and oilseeds under the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.) during the 2001 crop year may not exceed \$150,000.

SEC. 11. TIMING OF, AND LIMITATION ON, EXPENDITURES.

(a) DEADLINE FOR EXPENDITURES.—All expenditures required by this Act shall be made not later than September 30, 2001. Any funds made available by this Act and remaining unexpended by October 1, 2001, shall be deemed to be unexpended, and the authority provided by this Act to expend such funds is rescinded effective on that date.

(b) TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.—The total amount expended under this Act may not exceed \$5,500,000,000. If the payments required by this Act would result in expenditures in excess of such amount, the Secretary shall reduce such payments on a pro rata basis as necessary to ensure that such expenditures do not exceed such amount.

SEC. 12. REGULATIONS.

(a) PROMULGATION.—As soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary and the Commodity Credit Corporation, as appropriate, shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to implement this Act and the amendments made by this Act. The promulgation of the regulations and administration of this Act shall be made without regard to—

(1) the notice and comment provisions of section 553 of title 5, United States Code;

(2) the Statement of Policy of the Secretary of Agriculture effective July 24, 1971 (36 Fed. Reg. 13804), relating to notices of proposed rulemaking and public participation in rulemaking; and

(3) chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (commonly known as the "Paperwork Reduction Act").

(b) CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF AGENCY RULEMAKING.—In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall use the authority provided under section 808 of title 5, United States Code.

(c) This section shall be effective one day after enactment.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be allowed to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001. The purpose of this hearing will be to discuss conservation on working lands for the next Federal farm bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 9:30 a.m., in open session to consider the nominations of: John P. Stenbit to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence; Ronald M. Sega to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering; Mario P. Fiori to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Environment; H. T. Johnson to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment; Michael L. Dominguez to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Michael Parker to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; and Nelson F. Gibbs to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations and Environment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on

Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 2:30 p.m., on spectrum management and third generation wireless.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, to consider the nominations of Robert Bonner to be Commissioner of Customs; Rosario Marin to be Treasurer of the United States; Jon Huntsman, Jr., to be Deputy United States Trade Representative; Alex Azar II, to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services; and Janet Rehnquist to be Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 11 a.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: The Honorable R. Nicholas Burns, of Massachusetts, to be United States Permanent Representative on Council of NATO with rank of Ambassador; the Honorable Daniel R. Coats, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany; Mr. Craig R. Stapleton, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic; the Honorable Johnny Young, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia; and Mr. Richard J. Egan, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Ireland.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 11 a.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: Mr. Vincent M. Battle, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon; the Honorable Edward William Gnehm, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan; the Honorable Edmund J. Hull, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen; the Honorable Richard H. Jones, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait; the Honorable Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic; and Ms. Maureen Quinn, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to

meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 2 p.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: Ms. Carole Brookins, of Indiana, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; Mr. Ross J. Connelly, of Maine, to be Executive Vice President of Overseas Private Investment Corporation; Ms. Jeanne L. Phillips, of Texas, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador; Mr. Randal Quarles, of Utah, to be United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund; and Mr. Patrick M. Cronin, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator (for Policy and Program Coordination) of the United States Agency for International Development.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 4 p.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: Mr. Robert G. Loftis, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho; the Honorable Joseph G. Sullivan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe; and Mr. Christopher W. Dell, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 2:30 p.m., to consider the nomination of Daniel Levinson to be Inspector General, General Services Administration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on Workplace Safety and Asbestos Contamination during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2001, at 2 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on July 31, 2001, at 10 a.m., in room 485, Russell Senate Building to conduct a business meeting on pending committee business, to be followed immediately by a hearing on Indian Health Care Improvement Act focusing on urban Indian Health Care Programs.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.