

enhance competitiveness and expand the economic value-added component in Oregon agriculture products through research and outreach in food processing, product development, business strategy, marketing, and consumer testing.

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Project Name: Potato Research, ID, OR, WA

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331-4501

Project Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 2997 appropriates \$1,037,000 for the Potato Research, ID, OR, WA program to be conducted in part by Oregon State University. Oregon State University has confirmed in their justification that the appropriated funds for this project will be used to develop and commercialize new potato varieties that will directly benefit all segments of the Northwest potato industry and indirectly benefit all U.S. potato producing regions.

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Project Name: Regional Barley Gene Mapping Project, OR

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon State University Corvallis, OR 97331-4501

Project Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 2997 appropriates \$471,000 for the Regional Barley Gene Mapping Project, OR program to be conducted by Oregon State University. Oregon State University has confirmed in their justification that the appropriated funds for this project will be used to stimulate economic activity in the agriculture sector and to improve human health and welfare by using the tools of genomics to develop improved barley varieties, which will be more tolerant of stresses caused by plant diseases, insects, and climate change. Furthermore, enhanced tolerance will lead to greater productivity with fewer chemicals and fertilizer inputs. The project will also help develop varieties that will provide needed crop diversity for eastern Oregon wheat farmers.

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Project Name: Small Fruit Research, ID, OR, WA

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon State University Corvallis, OR 97331-4501

Project Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 2997 appropriates \$307,000 for the Small Fruit Research, ID, OR, WA program to be conducted in part by Oregon State University. Oregon State University has confirmed in their justification that the appropriated funds for this project will be used to fund cooperative and competitive research grants, and education activities to enhance the profitability and sustainability of the small fruits industry in the Pacific Northwest.

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Project Name: STEEP IV—Water Quality in Northwest

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon State University Corvallis, OR 97331-4501

Project Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 2997 appropriates \$444,000 for the STEEP IV—Water Quality in Northwest program to be conducted in part by Oregon State University. Oregon State University has confirmed in their justification that the appropriated funds for this project will be used to establish a network of agriculture research sites from which to address long term agriculture, environmental, and agroecosystem problems. According to the requesting entity, to date, the STEEP research grant has provided funds to develop cropping techniques such as direct-seeding, residue management, weed control, and accompanying extension programs to facilitate the adoption of successful conservation farming for the Pacific Northwest.

AMERICAN CLEAN ENERGY AND SECURITY ACT OF 2009

SPEECH OF

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 26, 2009

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the American Clean Energy and Security Act—a historic step forward to revitalize our economy and get America running on clean energy.

There is a global race underway to develop clean energy technologies. We have the innovation and manpower to take the lead—but we will not get there unless we muster the political will to keep our nation competitive. This bill makes sure that everyone benefits from the millions of jobs this bill will create through a Green Construction Demo Project and additional Green Jobs Act funding to train workers with the new skills they will need to repower and rebuild this nation.

This bill also makes the U.S. more energy independent by investing in energy efficiency, including for consumers of natural gas, home heating oil, and propane. We know that comprehensive energy efficiency programs can help households save money on energy. I thank the Chairman for providing states with greater flexibility to use allowances under the SEED Program to expand existing cost-effective efficiency programs. And for including a provision I cosponsored with my colleague RUSH HOLT, to jumpstart important research on consumer behavior, energy conservation and efficiency. Moving forward, I hope we will strengthen the combined energy efficiency and renewable energy standard, to maximize efficiency and investments in clean technologies like wind, solar, geothermal, and biomass.

Madam Speaker, this bill is a significant step towards a better future, and a major break from the past eight years of ignoring our energy crisis. For the first time, it would create a system of clean energy incentives designed to jumpstart the economy and reduce the carbon pollution that causes global warming.

Make no mistake—the effects of global warming are visible here and now. In my home state of Connecticut, global warming is a threat to our health, our wetlands, our lobster fisheries, and our economy. This bill is

our chance to mitigate that threat—a chance that will not come again soon.

Future generations are counting on us to do the right thing today—to set our country on a path towards a cleaner, more prosperous future. I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

APPLAUDING HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS IN CELEBRATION OF FATHER'S DAY

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. RANGEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to praise my fellow colleague, EDOLPHUS TOWNS, for his outstanding career on Capitol Hill within the House of Representatives, as well as his continuous role as a father. This week, the New York Carib News acknowledged the Congressman in "Edolphus Ed Towns, Father and Lawmaker" in an article on outstanding fathers. The article noted his 30 years as a member of Congress and recognized TOWNS as the proud father of two adult children, Darryl, a New York State assembly member and his daughter Diedre, a Senior Executive with the Pfizer Pharmaceutical Company.

Mr. TOWNS, who is a former social worker and community activist, is a 14-term veteran and currently chairs the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Mr. TOWNS was born on July 21, 1934 in Chadbourn, North Carolina and earned his bachelor's degree from North Carolina A&T State University. He holds a master's degree in social work from Adelphi University. Prior to serving in the House, Mr. TOWNS was a teacher in the New York City Public School System, and a professor at Fordham University as well as Medgar Evers College. He is also a veteran of the United States Army and an ordained Baptist minister.

Mr. TOWNS continues to be dedicated and committed to serving his constituents within the 10th Congressional District of New York, which encompasses a variety of Brooklyn's diverse population. Mr. TOWNS also continues to be an advocate for adequate public health care, as well as equal access to quality public education and technology and financial security.

As a father, Mr. TOWNS strived to instill values in his children, as well as being fully invested in teaching them important life lessons by assuring the family spent time and had meals together. Mr. TOWNS understood the important role that fathers have in a child's life and cherishes the significance of sharing life experiences, which he attributes to his children's success in their personal and public lives. As an example, Mr. TOWNS and his son, Darryl, are the first African-American father-son team to serve simultaneously in New York public office.

Fatherhood is filled with many joys and challenges, and therefore, I applaud EDOLPHUS TOWNS for his continued commitment to his family as well as for his public service. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with my colleague and I commend him for his leadership.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mrs. EMERSON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information in regards to H.R. 2997, the Fiscal Year 2010 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri-Columbia

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 Park DeVille Drive, Suite E, Columbia, MO

Description of Request: Provide \$1,139,000 for the Food and Agriculture Policy Research Institute to provide objective, quantitative economic analysis of agricultural policy alternatives. Approximately \$188,000 or 17% is to continue a cooperative agreement with the University of Wisconsin relating to dairy policy; \$140,000 or 12% is to conduct analysis of rangeland, cattle and hay with the University of Nevada—Reno; \$811,000 or 71% is to be divided between the University of Missouri and Iowa State University to provide a ten-year baseline and policy analysis for US and world agriculture.

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Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri-Columbia

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 Park DeVille Drive, Suite E, Columbia, MO

Description of Request: Provide \$595,000 for the Food and Agriculture Policy Research Institute (FAPRI) and the Agricultural and Food Policy Center (AFPC) to provide Congress with information regarding farm financial risk and farm structure and the impacts of alternative agricultural policies on these factors. Approximately \$244,000 or 41% is for FAPRI at the University of Missouri to provide stochastic and deterministic baseline and policy scenarios and \$351,000 or 59% is for AFPC at Texas A&M University to provide representative farm analysis.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri-Columbia Delta Research Center

Address of Requesting Entity: Highway 61, Portageville, MO 63873

Description of Request: Provide \$174,000 for the University of Missouri—Delta Research Center to continue research on rice production in the mid-South. Approximately \$140,610 will be for multiple personnel costs, \$29,000 for materials and supplies, and \$5,000 for other costs.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri-Columbia

Address of Requesting Entity: 214 Middlebush Hall, Columbia, Missouri 65211

Description of Request: Provide \$835,000 for the Rural Policies Institute to provide unbiased analysis and information on the challenges, needs, and opportunities facing rural people and places; and to spur public dialogue and help policymakers understand the impacts of public policies and programs on rural people and places. Of the \$835,000, \$600,000 is for salaries and benefits, and the remaining \$135,000 is for center investments, conferences and events, consultants, office expenses and travel.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri-Columbia Delta Research Center

Address of Requesting Entity: Highway 61, Portageville, MO 63873

Description of Request: Provide \$556,000 for continued soybean cyst nematode research at the University of Missouri—Delta Research Center. Of the \$556,000, 85% is for salaries and benefits, the remaining 15% is for travel, supplies, and costs for a winter seed nursery.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service—Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Bootheel Resource Conservation and Development, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 18450 Ridgeview Lane, Dexter, MO 63841

Description of Request: Provide \$207,000 to the USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services in Southeast Missouri. Of the \$207,000, 80% would be utilized for salaries and benefits, 17% for APHIS-Wildlife Services program support and 3% for vehicle maintenance and fuel. A portion of the operating budget will also be provided by local municipalities, commodity organizations and university support.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: General Provision

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Congressional Hunger Center

Address of Requesting Entity: Hall of States Building, 400 North Capitol Street, N.W., Suite G100, Washington, DC 20001

Description of Request: Provide \$2,500,000 for the Bill Emerson National Hunger Fellowship Program and the Mickey Leland International Hunger Fellowship Program. Of the \$2,500,000 in funding 54% would be for salaries, benefits, healthcare and other costs associated with the Emerson National Hunger Fellowship Program and 46% for similar costs associated with the Mickey Leland International Hunger Fellowship Program.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Agriculture Research Service—Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry

Address of Requesting Entity: 203 Anheuser-Busch Natural Resources Building, Columbia, Missouri 65211

Description of Request: Provide \$660,000 to support research on viable alternative production and protection options to help revitalize the economic and environmental health of rural farms and communities in Missouri and

surrounding states. Approximately, \$438,882 [or 66%] is for salary and fringe to support professional track faculty, research associates, field research specialists, graduate and undergraduate students; \$201,982 [or 31%] for materials and supplies in support of laboratory and field-based research on campus and at five MU farms and centers; \$19,137 [or 3%] for travel.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—Research and Education Activities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Center for Grapevine Biotechnology at Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 9740 Red Spring Road, Mountain Grove, Missouri 65711

Description of Request: Provide \$422,000 to research the ability of wild grapevines to defend themselves against pathogens, and their capacity to synthesize health-promoting properties. Of the funds available 46% for salary and benefits, 21% for other direct costs including materials and supplies, and 25% for F&A.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of HR 2997.

Requesting Member: JOHN M. SHIMKUS
Bill number: HR 2997

The Account: Agriculture Salaries and Expenses

Requesting Entity: National Corn-to-Ethanol Research Center (NCERC) at 400 University Park Dr in Edwardsville, IL.

NCERC is the only pilot plant facility in the world that has the flexibility to process any grain based feedstock to fuel ethanol and associated products. Funding will go toward the research at NRERC which is needed to reduce our reliance on foreign sources of energy.

THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF MR.
JESUS GONZALEZ VILLAGOMEZ

HON. SOLOMAN P. ORTIZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. ORTIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jesus Gonzalez Villagomez, who celebrated his 100th birthday on May 5, 2009, surrounded by family, friends and loved ones.

Mr. Villagomez was born on May 5, 1909, in Villa Morelos, Michoacán, Mexico, to a ranching and farming family—Telesforo and Antonia Gonzalez Villagomez.

When he turned 18, he migrated to the United States entering at the Port of Brownsville in Brownsville, Texas, and a few years later returned to Mexico where he met and married his life-long companion, Mariana Aguillon Villagomez. Mr. Villagomez and his