

“(6) the Secretary shall utilize the technical services of agencies of the Department of Agriculture in determining the scope and provisions of any plan and the acceptability of the plan for effectuating the purposes of the program. In addition the Secretary shall take into consideration programs of State and local agencies, including soil conservation districts, having for their purposes the objectives of maximum soil and water conservation;

“(7) there is hereby authorized to be appropriated without fiscal year limitations, such sums as may be necessary to carry out this subsection: *Provided*, That the total cost of the program (excluding administrative costs) shall not exceed \$150,000,000, and for any program year payments shall not exceed \$25,000,000. The funds made available for the program under this subsection may be expended without regard to the maximum payment limitation and small payment increases required under section 8 (e) of this Act, and may be distributed among States without regard to distribution of funds formulas of section 15 of this Act. The program authorized under this subsection shall be in addition to, and not in substitution of, other programs in such area authorized by this or any other Act.”

SEC. 2. Section 334 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended, effective beginning with the 1957 crop of wheat, by adding a new subsection as follows:

“(g) If the county committee determines that any producer is prevented from seeding wheat for harvest as grain in his usual planting season because of unfavorable weather conditions, and the operator of the farm notifies the county committee not later than December 1 in any area where only winter wheat is grown, or June 1 in the spring wheat area (including an area where both spring and winter wheat are grown), that he does not intend to seed his full wheat allotment for the crop year because of the unfavorable weather conditions, the entire farm wheat allotment for such year shall be regarded as wheat acreage for the purposes of establishing future State, county, and farm acreage allotments: *Provided*, That if any producer on a farm obtains a reduction in the storage amount of any previous crop of wheat by reason of underplanting the farm wheat acreage allotment pursuant to paragraph (6) of Public Law 74, Seventy-seventh Congress (7 U. S. C. 1340 (6)), or by reason of producing less than the normal production of the farm wheat acreage allotment pursuant to section 326 (b) of this Act, this provision may not be made applicable to such farm with respect to the crop of wheat for which the farm acreage allotment was established.”

Approved August 7, 1956.

Public Law 1022

CHAPTER 1031

AN ACT

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to provide for the allowance, as deductions, of contributions to medical research organizations.

August 7, 1956  
[H. R. 12152]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 170 (b) (1) (A) (iii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to charitable contributions and gifts) is amended by inserting immediately after “section 503 (b) (5),” the following: “or to a medical research organization (referred to in section 503 (b) (5)) directly engaged in the continuous active conduct of medical research in conjunction with a hospital, if during the calendar year in which the contribution is

Appropriations.

16 USC 590h,  
590c.

7 USC 1334.

55 Stat. 203.

7 USC 1326.

Taxes.  
Contributions for  
medical research.  
68A Stat. 58.  
26 USC 170.  
68A Stat. 166.  
26 USC 503.

made such organization is committed to spend such contributions for such research before January 1 of the fifth calendar year which begins after the date such contribution is made."

Effective date.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall apply only with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1955.

Approved August 7, 1956.

Public Law 1023

CHAPTER 1035

AN ACT

August 8, 1956  
[S. 3956]

To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended.

American Samoa  
Labor Standards  
Amendments of  
1956.

52 Stat. 1062,  
29 USC 206.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "American Samoa Labor Standards Amendments of 1956".*

SEC. 2. Section 6 of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (2) in subsection (a), and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and the following new paragraph:

"(3) if such employee is employed in American Samoa, not less than the applicable rate established by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with recommendations of a special industry committee or committees which he shall appoint in the same manner and pursuant to the same provisions as are now applicable to the special industry committees provided for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands by this Act. Each such committee shall have the same powers and duties and shall apply the same standards with respect to the application of the provisions of this Act to employees employed in American Samoa as pertain to special industry committees established under section 5 with respect to employees employed in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands. The minimum wage rate thus established shall not exceed the rate prescribed in paragraph (1) of this subsection."

29 USC 205.

29 USC 213.

SEC. 3. Section 13 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection (e):

"(e) The provisions of section 7 shall not apply with respect to employees for whom the Secretary of Labor is authorized to establish minimum wage rates as provided in section 6 (a) (3), except with respect to employees for whom such rates are in effect; and with respect to such employees the Secretary may make rules and regulations providing reasonable limitations and allowing reasonable variations, tolerances, and exemptions to and from any or all of the provisions of section 7 if he shall find, after a public hearing on the matter, and taking into account the factors set forth in section 6 (a) (3), that economic conditions warrant such action."

29 USC 207.

29 USC 216.

SEC. 4. Section 16 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection (d):

"(d) In any action or proceeding commenced prior to, on, or after the date of enactment of this subsection, no employer shall be subject to any liability or punishment under this Act or the Portal-to-Portal Act of 1947 on account of his failure to comply with any provision or provisions of such Acts with respect to work performed in a possession named in section 6 (a) (3) at any time prior to the establishment by the Secretary, as provided therein, of a minimum wage rate applicable to such work."

61 Stat. 84.  
29 USC 251 note.

Approved August 8, 1956.