## 104TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R. 3603

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# **AN ACT**

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for Ag riculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administra tion, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year
 ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes,
 namely:

| 7  | TITLE I   |
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| 8  | AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS                             |
| 9  | PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND MARKETING             |
| 10 | OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY                           |
| 11 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)                    |
| 12 | For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secre |

1 etary 13 of Agriculture, and not to exceed \$75,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$2,836,000: *Provided*, That not to 14 15 exceed \$11,000 of this amount, along with any unobligated balances of representation funds in the Foreign Ag-16 ricultural Service shall be available for official reception 17 18 and representation expenses, not otherwise provided for, 19 as determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That 20 none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made avail-21 able by this Act may be used to detail an individual from 22 an agency funded in this Act to any Under Secretary office 23 or Assistant Secretary office for more than 30 days: Pro-24 *vided further*, That none of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enforce section 793(d) of Public
 Law 104–127.

3 EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS4 CHIEF ECONOMIST

5 For necessary expenses of the Chief Economist, including economic analysis, risk assessment, cost-benefit 6 7 analysis, and the functions of the World Agricultural Out-8 look Board, as authorized by the Agricultural Marketing 9 Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622g), and including employment 10 pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to 11 exceed \$5,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, 12 13 \$4,231,000.

14 NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION

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

20 OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and Program Analysis, including employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$5,000 is for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,986,000.

| 1  | CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  |
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| 2  | For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi-          |
| 3  | nancial Officer, including employment pursuant to the sec-     |
| 4  | ond sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944      |
| 5  | (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed $10,000$ is for        |
| 6  | employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$4,283,000: <i>Provided</i> , |
| 7  | That the Chief Financial Officer shall actively market         |
| 8  | cross-servicing activities of the National Finance Center.     |
| 9  | OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR                          |
| 10 | Administration   |
| 11 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of           |
| 12 | the Assistant Secretary for Administration to carry out        |
| 13 | the programs funded in this Act, \$613,000.                    |
| 14 | Agriculture Buildings and Facilities and Rental                |
| 15 | Payments   |
| 16 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)                                 |
| 17 | For payment of space rental and related costs pursu-           |
| 18 | ant to Public Law 92–313, including authorities pursuant       |
| 19 | to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Adminis-          |
| 20 | trator of General Services to the Department of Agri-          |
| 21 | culture under 40 U.S.C. 486, for programs and activities       |
| 22 | of the Department which are included in this Act, and for      |
| 23 | the operation, maintenance, and repair of Agriculture          |
| 24 | buildings, \$120,548,000: Provided, That in the event an       |
| 25 | agency within the Department should require modification       |

of space needs, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer 1 a share of that agency's appropriation made available by 2 3 this Act to this appropriation, or may transfer a share 4 of this appropriation to that agency's appropriation, but 5 such transfers shall not exceed 5 percent of the funds made available for space rental and related costs to or 6 7 from this account. In addition, for construction, repair, 8 improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed 9 equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the pro-10 grams of the Department, where not otherwise provided, \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended; making 11 a total appropriation of \$125,548,000. 12

13 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 For necessary expenses of the Department of Agriculture, to comply with the requirement of section 107(g)16 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Com-17 pensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 18 19 9607(g), and section 6001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 20 6961. 21 \$15,700,000, to remain available until expended: Pro-22 vided, That appropriations and funds available herein to 23 the Department for Hazardous Waste Management may 24 be transferred to any agency of the Department for its use in meeting all requirements pursuant to the above
 Acts on Federal and non-Federal lands.

3 DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION
4 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

5 For Departmental Administration, \$28,304,000, to 6 provide for necessary expenses for management support 7 services to offices of the Department and for general ad-8 ministration and disaster management of the Department, 9 repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies 10 and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work of the Department, includ-11 ing employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 12 13 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of which not to exceed \$10,000 is for employment under 5 14 15 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be reimbursed from applicable appropriations in this Act for 16 17 travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as required by 5 U.S.C. 551–558. 18

- 19 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
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### Congressional Relations

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to carry out the programs funded in this Act, including programs involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison within the executive branch, \$3,728,000: Provided, That
 no other funds appropriated to the Department in this Act
 shall be available to the Department for support of activi ties of congressional relations: Provided further, That not
 less than \$2,241,000 shall be transferred to agencies fund ed in this Act to maintain personnel at the agency level.
 OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

8 For necessary expenses to carry on services relating 9 to the coordination of programs involving public affairs, 10 for the dissemination of agricultural information, and the coordination of information, work, and programs author-11 12 ized by Congress in the Department, \$8,138,000, includ-13 ing employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), of 14 15 which not to exceed \$10,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$2,000,000 16 may be used for farmers' bulletins. 17

18 OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

19 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector General, including employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, \$63,028,000, including such sums as may be necessary for contracting and other arrangements with

public agencies and private persons pursuant to section 1 2 6(a)(9) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, 3 including a sum not to exceed \$50,000 for employment 4 under 5 U.S.C. 3109; and including a sum not to exceed 5 \$95,000 for certain confidential operational expenses including the payment of informants, to be expended under 6 7 the direction of the Inspector General pursuant to Public 8 Law 95–452 and section 1337 of Public Law 97–98: Pro-9 *vided*, That funds transferred to the Office of the Inspec-10 tor General through forfeiture proceedings or from the Department of Justice Assets Forfeiture Fund or the De-11 12 partment of the Treasury Forfeiture Fund, as a partici-13 pating agency, as an equitable share from the forfeiture of property in investigations in which the Office of the In-14 15 spector General participates, or through the granting of a Petition for Remission or Mitigation, shall be deposited 16 to the credit of this account for law enforcement activities 17 18 authorized under the Inspector General Act of 1978, as 19 amended, to remain available until expended.

20 Office of the General Counsel

21 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General22 Counsel, \$27,749,000.

1 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH,

2 EDUCATION AND ECONOMICS

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

10 ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

For necessary expenses of the Economic Research Service in conducting economic research and analysis, as authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627) and other laws, \$54,176,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225).

18 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural Statistics Service in conducting statistical reporting and service work, including crop and livestock estimates, statistical coordination and improvements, marketing surveys, and the Census of Agriculture notwithstanding 13 U.S.C. 142(a–b), as authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627) and other laws, \$100,221,000, of which up to \$17,500,000 shall be available until expended for the Census of Agriculture: *Pro- vided*, That this appropriation shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section
706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and
not to exceed \$40,000 shall be available for employment
under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

## 8 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

9 For necessary expenses to enable the Agricultural Re-10 search Service to perform agricultural research and demonstration relating to production, utilization, marketing, 11 12 and distribution (not otherwise provided for); home eco-13 nomics or nutrition and consumer use including the acquisition, preservation, and dissemination of agricultural in-14 15 formation; and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100, 16 17 \$702,831,000: *Provided*, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for temporary employment pursuant to 18 the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act 19 of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$115,000 shall 20 21 be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Pro-22 *vided further*, That appropriations hereunder shall be 23 available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft 24 and the purchase of not to exceed one for replacement 25 only: *Provided further*, That appropriations hereunder

shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for the con-1 2 struction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improve-3 ments, but unless otherwise provided the cost of construct-4 ing any one building shall not exceed \$250,000, except for 5 headhouses or greenhouses which shall each be limited to \$1,000,000, and except for ten buildings to be constructed 6 7 or improved at a cost not to exceed \$500,000 each, and 8 the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year 9 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement 10 value of the building or \$250,000, whichever is greater: Provided further, That the limitations on alterations con-11 12 tained in this Act shall not apply to modernization or re-13 placement of existing facilities at Beltsville, Maryland: *Provided further*, That the foregoing limitations shall not 14 15 apply to replacement of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): Provided further, 16 17 That funds may be received from any State, other political 18 subdivision, organization, or individual for the purpose of 19 establishing or operating any research facility or research 20 project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized 21 by law.

None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall
be available to carry out research related to the production, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products.

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#### BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

2 For acquisition of land, construction, repair, improve-3 ment, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equip-4 ment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural 5 research programs of the Department of Agriculture, where not otherwise provided, \$59,600,000, to remain 6 7 available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Provided, That 8 funds may be received from any State, other political sub-9 division, organization, or individual for the purpose of es-10 tablishing any research facility of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized by law. 11

# 12 COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND

## Extension Service

14 RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

15 For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and 16 for other expenses, including \$163,671,000 to carry into 17 18 effect the provisions of the Hatch Act (7 U.S.C. 361a– 361i); \$19,882,000 for grants for cooperative forestry re-19 20 search (16 U.S.C. 582a–582–a7); \$26,902,000 for pay-21 ments to the 1890 land-grant colleges, including Tuskegee 22 University (7 U.S.C. 3222); \$44,235,000 for special 23 grants for agricultural research (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)); 24 \$11,769,000 for special grants for agricultural research on improved pest control (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)); \$96,735,000 25

for competitive research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)); 1 2 \$4,775,000 for the support of animal health and disease 3 programs (7 U.S.C. 3195); \$650,000 for supplemental 4 and alternative crops and products (7 U.S.C. 3319d); 5 \$500,000 for grants for research pursuant to the Critical Agricultural Materials Act of 1984 (7 U.S.C. 178) and 6 7 section 1472 of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, 8 as amended (7 U.S.C. 3318), to remain available until ex-9 pended; \$475,000 for rangeland research grants (7 U.S.C. 10 3331–3336); \$3,000,000 for higher education graduate fellowships grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(6)), to remain avail-11 able until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); \$4,000,000 for 12 13 higher education challenge grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(1)); \$1,000,000 for a higher education minority scholars pro-14 15 gram (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(5)), to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); \$2,000,000 for an education 16 17 grants program for Hispanic-serving Institutions (7 18 U.S.C. 3241; 4,000,000 for aquaculture grants (7) U.S.C. 3322); \$8,000,000 for sustainable agriculture re-19 20 search and education (7 U.S.C. 5811); \$9,200,000 for a 21 program of capacity building grants to colleges eligible to 22 receive funds under the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 23 321–326 and 328), including Tuskegee University 7 24 U.S.C. 3152(b)(4), to remain available until expended (7) 25 U.S.C. 2209b); \$1,450,000 for payments to the 1994 Institutions pursuant to section 534(a)(1) of Public Law
 103-382; and \$9,605,000 for necessary expenses of Re search and Education Activities, of which not to exceed
 \$100,000 shall be for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109;
 in all, \$411,849,000.

None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall
be available to carry out research related to the production, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products.

10 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

For establishment of a Native American institutions
endowment fund, as authorized by Public Law 130–382
(7 U.S.C. 301 note), \$4,600,000.

14 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

15 For acquisition of land, construction, repair, improve-16 ment, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equip-17 ment or facilities and for grants to States and other eligi-18 ble recipients for such purposes, as necessary to carry out the agricultural research, extension, and teaching pro-19 20 grams of the Department of Agriculture, where not other-21 wise provided, \$30,449,000, to remain available until ex-22 pended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

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### EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

24 Payments to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto
25 Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, Northern
26 Marianas, and American Samoa: For payments for coopHR 3603 RFS

erative extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, as 1 2 amended, to be distributed under sections 3(b) and 3(c)3 of said Act, and under section 208(c) of Public Law 93– 4 471, for retirement and employees' compensation costs for 5 extension agents and for costs of penalty mail for cooperative extension agents and State extension directors, 6 7 \$260,438,000; payments for the nutrition and family edu-8 cation program for low-income areas under section 3(d) 9 of the Act, \$58,695,000; payments for the pest manage-10 ment program under section 3(d) of the Act, \$10,783,000; payments for the farm safety program under section 3(d)11 12 of the Act, \$2,855,000; payments for the pesticide impact 13 assessment program under section 3(d) of the Act, 14 \$3,214,000; payments to upgrade 1890 land-grant college 15 research, extension, and teaching facilities as authorized by section 1447 of Public Law 95–113, as amended (7 16 17 U.S.C. 3222b, \$7,549,000, to remain available until expended; payments for the rural development centers under 18 19 section 3(d) of the Act, \$908,000; payments for a ground-20 water quality program under section 3(d) of the Act, 21 \$10,733,000; payments for the agricultural telecommuni-22 cations program, as authorized by Public Law 101–624 23 (7 U.S.C. 5926), \$1,167,000; payments for youth-at-risk 24 programs under section 3(d) of the Act, \$9,554,000; pay-25 ments for a food safety program under section 3(d) of the

Act, \$2,365,000; payments for carrying out the provisions 1 of the Renewable Resources Extension Act of 1978, 2 3 \$3,192,000; payments for Indian reservation agents under 4 section 3(d) of the Act, \$1,672,000; payments for sustain-5 able agriculture programs under section 3(d) of the Act, \$3,309,000; payments for rural health and safety edu-6 7 cation as authorized by section 2390 of Public Law 101– 8 624 (7 U.S.C. 2661 note, 2662), \$2,628,000; payments 9 for cooperative extension work by the colleges receiving the 10 benefits of the second Morrill Act (7 U.S.C. 321–326, 328) and Tuskegee University, \$24,337,000; and for Fed-11 12 eral administration and coordination including administra-13 tion of the Smith-Lever Act, as amended, and the Act of September 29, 1977 (7 U.S.C. 341–349), as amended, 14 15 and section 1361(c) of the Act of October 3, 1980 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), and to coordinate and provide program 16 17 leadership for the extension work of the Department and the several States and insular possessions, \$6,271,000; in 18 19 all, \$409,670,000: *Provided*, That funds hereby appro-20 priated pursuant to section 3(c) of the Act of June 26, 21 1953, and section 506 of the Act of June 23, 1972, as 22 amended, shall not be paid to any State, the District of 23 Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, or the Virgin Islands, Mi-24 cronesia, Northern Marianas, and American Samoa prior

to availability of an equal sum from non-Federal sources
 for expenditure during the current fiscal year.

3 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
4 MARKETING AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS

5 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of 6 the Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory 7 Programs to administer programs under the laws enacted 8 by the Congress for the Animal and Plant Health Inspec-9 tion Service, Agricultural Marketing Service, and the 10 Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, 11 \$618,000.

| 12 | ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE |
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| 13 | SALARIES AND EXPENSES                      |

14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 For expenses, not otherwise provided for, including those pursuant to the Act of February 28, 1947, as 16 17 amended (21 U.S.C. 114b-c), necessary to prevent, control, and eradicate pests and plant and animal diseases; 18 19 to carry out inspection, quarantine, and regulatory activi-20 ties; to discharge the authorities of the Secretary of Agri-21 culture under the Act of March 2, 1931 (46 Stat. 1468; 22 7 U.S.C. 426-426b; and to protect the environment, as 23 authorized by law, \$435,428,000, of which \$4,500,000 24 shall be available for the control of outbreaks of insects, 25 plant diseases, animal diseases and for control of pest ani-

1 mals and birds to the extent necessary to meet emergency 2 conditions: Provided, That no funds shall be used to for-3 mulate or administer a brucellosis eradication program for 4 the current fiscal year that does not require minimum 5 matching by the States of at least 40 percent: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available for field 6 7 employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 8 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and 9 not to exceed \$40,000 shall be available for employment 10 under 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the operation and mainte-11 nance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed four, 12 13 of which two shall be for replacement only: *Provided fur*ther, That, in addition, in emergencies which threaten any 14 15 segment of the agricultural production industry of this country, the Secretary may transfer from other appropria-16 17 tions or funds available to the agencies or corporations of the Department such sums as he may deem necessary, 18 19 to be available only in such emergencies for the arrest and 20 eradication of contagious or infectious disease or pests of 21 animals, poultry, or plants, and for expenses in accordance 22 with the Act of February 28, 1947, as amended, and sec-23 tion 102 of the Act of September 21, 1944, as amended, and any unexpended balances of funds transferred for 24 25 such emergency purposes in the next preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such transferred amounts: *Provided further*, That appropriations hereunder shall be available
 pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alter ation of leased buildings and improvements, but unless
 otherwise provided the cost of altering any one building
 during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the
 current replacement value of the building.

8 In fiscal year 1997 the agency is authorized to collect 9 fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assist-10 ance, goods, or services requested by States, other political 11 subdivisions, domestic and international organizations, 12 foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such 13 fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods, 14 15 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such fees shall be credited to this account, to remain available 16 17 until expended, without further appropriation, for providing such assistance, goods, or services. 18

Of the total amount available under this heading in
fiscal year 1997, \$98,000,000 shall be derived from user
fees deposited in the Agricultural Quarantine Inspection
User Fee Account.

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### BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For plans, construction, repair, preventive mainte-nance, environmental support, improvement, extension, al-

teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as
 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as
 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 428a, \$3,200,000, to remain avail able until expended.

## 5 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE 6 MARKETING SERVICES

7 For necessary expenses to carry on services related 8 to consumer protection, agricultural marketing and dis-9 tribution, transportation, and regulatory programs, as au-10 thorized by law, and for administration and coordination of payments to States; including field employment pursu-11 ant to section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 12 13 2225), and not to exceed \$90,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$37,592,000, including funds for the 14 15 wholesale market development program for the design and development of wholesale and farmer market facilities for 16 17 the major metropolitan areas of the country: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law 18 (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings 19 20 and improvements, but the cost of altering any one build-21 ing during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of 22 the current replacement value of the building.

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

| 1  | LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES                             |
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| 2  | Not to exceed $$59,012,000$ (from fees collected) shall           |
| 3  | be obligated during the current fiscal year for administra-       |
| 4  | tive expenses: <i>Provided</i> , That if crop size is understated |
| 5  | and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may          |
| 6  | exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification      |
| 7  | to the Appropriations Committees.                                 |
| 8  | FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND                      |
| 9  | SUPPLY (SECTION 32)   |
| 10 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)                                    |
| 11 | Funds available under section 32 of the Act of Au-                |
| 12 | gust 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c) shall be used only for com-         |
| 13 | modity program expenses as authorized therein, and other          |
| 14 | related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the      |
| 15 | Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and              |
| 16 | Wildlife Act of August 8, 1956; (2) transfers otherwise           |
| 17 | provided in this Act; and (3) not more than \$10,576,000          |
| 18 | for formulation and administration of marketing agree-            |
| 19 | ments and orders pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing           |
| 20 | Agreement Act of 1937, as amended, and the Agricultural           |
| 21 | Act of 1961.  |

22 PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus
and departments of markets, and similar agencies for
marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul-

tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)),
 \$1,200,000.

3 Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards

## Administration

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SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions 7 of the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended, 8 for the administration of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 9 for certifying procedures used to protect purchasers of 10 farm products, and the standardization activities related to grain under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, 11 as amended, including field employment pursuant to sec-12 13 tion 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$25,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 14 15 3109, \$22,728,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the 16 alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but 17 the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year 18 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement 19 20 value of the building.

| 21 | INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES |
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- 22 LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICE
  - EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$43,207,000 (from fees collected) shall
be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection

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and weighing services: *Provided*, That if grain export ac tivities require additional supervision and oversight, or
 other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be
 exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Ap propriations Committees.

6 Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
8 the Under Secretary for Food Safety to administer the
9 laws enacted by the Congress for the Food Safety and In10 spection Service, \$446,000.

11 FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

12 For necessary expenses to carry on services authorized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, as amended, the 13 Poultry Products Inspection Act, as amended, and the 14 15 Egg Products Inspection Act, as amended, \$574,000,000, and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be credited to this ac-16 17 count from fees collected for the cost of laboratory accreditation as authorized by section 1017 of Public Law 102– 18 19 237: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall not be avail-20 able for shell egg surveillance under section 5(d) of the 21 Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1034(d)): Pro-22 *vided further*, That this appropriation shall be available 23 for field employment pursuant to section 706(a) of the Or-24 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed 25 \$75,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C.

3109: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be
 available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alter ation and repair of buildings and improvements, but the
 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
 value of the building.

7 Office of the Under Secretary for Farm and

## 8 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

9 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of 10 the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural 11 Services to administer the laws enacted by Congress for 12 the Consolidated Farm Service Agency, Foreign Agricul-13 tural Service, and the Commodity Credit Corporation, 14 \$572,000.

- 15 FARM SERVICE AGENCY
- 16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
- 17 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

18 For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-19 tration and implementation of programs administered by the Farm Service Agency, \$746,440,000: Provided, That 20 21 the Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities, 22 and authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity 23 Credit Corporation to make program payments for all pro-24 grams administered by the Agency: *Provided further*, That 25 other funds made available to the Agency for authorized

activities may be advanced to and merged with this ac count: *Provided further*, That these funds shall be avail able for employment pursuant to the second sentence of
 section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C.
 2225), and not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall be available for
 employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

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#### DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

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#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

9 For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity 10 payments to dairy farmers for milk or cows producing 11 such milk and manufacturers of dairy products who have been directed to remove their milk or dairy products from 12 13 commercial markets because it contained residues of chemicals registered and approved for use by the Federal 14 Government, and in making indemnity payments for milk, 15 or cows producing such milk, at a fair market value to 16 any dairy farmer who is directed to remove his milk from 17 18 commercial markets because of (1) the presence of prod-19 ucts of nuclear radiation or fallout if such contamination is not due to the fault of the farmer, or (2) residues of 20 chemicals or toxic substances not included under the first 21 22 sentence of the Act of August 13, 1968, as amended (7) 23 U.S.C. 450j), if such chemicals or toxic substances were 24 not used in a manner contrary to applicable regulations or labeling instructions provided at the time of use and 25 26 the contamination is not due to the fault of the farmer,

\$100,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 1 2 2209b): *Provided*, That none of the funds contained in this Act shall be used to make indemnity payments to any 3 4 farmer whose milk was removed from commercial markets 5 as a result of his willful failure to follow procedures prescribed by the Federal Government: *Provided further*, That 6 7 this amount shall be transferred to the Commodity Credit 8 Corporation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is au-9 thorized to utilize the services, facilities, and authorities 10 of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the purpose of making dairy indemnity disbursements. 11

12 OUTREACH FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS

For grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501 for the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of for 15 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279), \$1,000,000, to remain available until expended.

17 AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM

ACCOUNT

- 18
- 19 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by 7 U.S.C.
1928–1929, to be available from funds in the Agricultural
Credit Insurance Fund, as follows: farm ownership loans,
\$600,000,000, of which \$550,000,000 shall be for guaranteed loans; operating loans, \$2,345,071,000, of which
\$1,700,000,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed
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loans and \$200,000,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed
 loans; Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by
 25 U.S.C. 488, \$1,000,000; for emergency insured loans,
 \$25,000,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural dis asters and for credit sales of acquired property,
 \$25,000,000.

7 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including 8 the cost of modifying loans as defined in section 502 of 9 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: farm ownership loans, \$27,975,000, of which \$22,055,000 shall 10 be for guaranteed loans; operating loans, \$96,840,000, of 11 12 which \$19,210,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans and \$18,480,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed 13 loans; Indian tribe land acquisition loans as authorized by 14 15 25 U.S.C. 488, \$54,000; for emergency insured loans, \$6,365,000 to meet the needs resulting from natural dis-16 17 asters; and for credit sales of acquired property, 18 \$2,530,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
\$221,046,000, of which \$208,446,000 shall be transferred
to and merged with the "Farm Service Agency, Salaries
and Expenses" account.

## OFFICE OF RISK MANAGEMENT

For administrative and operating expenses, as authorized by the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 6933), \$62,198,000: *Provided*,
That not to exceed \$700 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses, as authorized by 7
U.S.C. 1506(i).

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## CORPORATIONS

9 The following corporations and agencies are hereby 10 authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such cor-11 poration or agency and in accord with law, and to make 12 13 contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government 14 15 Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for 16 17 the current fiscal year for such corporation or agency, ex-18 cept as hereinafter provided.

**19** FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

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

| 1  | Commodity Credit Corporation Fund                          |
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| 2  | REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES                      |
| 3  | For fiscal year 1997, such sums as may be necessary        |
| 4  | to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net      |
| 5  | realized losses sustained, but not previously reimbursed   |
| 6  | (estimated to be \$1,500,000,000 in the President's fiscal |
| 7  | year 1997 Budget Request (H. Doc. 104–162)), but not       |
| 8  | to exceed \$1,500,000,000, pursuant to section 2 of the    |
| 9  | Act of August 17, 1961, as amended (15 U.S.C. 713a-        |
| 10 | 11).   |
| 11 | OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE             |

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## MANAGEMENT

For fiscal year 1997, the Commodity Credit Corpora-13 tion shall not expend more than \$5,000,000 for expenses 14 to comply with the requirement of section 107(g) of the 15 Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, 16 and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 9607(g), and 17 section 6001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery 18 Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6961: Provided, That ex-19 penses shall be for operations and maintenance costs only 20 and that other hazardous waste management costs shall 21 22 be paid for by the USDA Hazardous Waste Management appropriation in this Act. 23

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

ation or improvement of permanent and temporary build-1 2 and operation and maintenance of aircraft, ings; 3 \$619,392,000, to remain available until expended (7 4 U.S.C. 2209b), of which not less than \$5,835,000 is for 5 snow survey and water forecasting and not less than \$8,825,000 is for operation and establishment of the plant 6 7 materials centers: *Provided*, That appropriations here-8 under shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for 9 construction and improvement of buildings and public im-10 provements at plant materials centers, except that the cost of alterations and improvements to other buildings and 11 12 other public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000: Pro-13 *vided further*, That when buildings or other structures are erected on non-Federal land, that the right to use such 14 15 land is obtained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a: Provided *further*, That this appropriation shall be available for tech-16 17 nical assistance and related expenses to carry out programs authorized by section 202(c) of title II of the Colo-18 19 rado River Basin Salinity Control Act of 1974, as amend-20 ed (43 U.S.C. 1592(c)): Provided further, That no part 21 of this appropriation may be expended for soil and water 22 conservation operations under the Act of April 27, 1935 23 (16 U.S.C. 590a–590f) in demonstration projects: Pro-24 vided further, That this appropriation shall be available 25 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section

1 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225) and
2 not to exceed \$25,000 shall be available for employment
3 under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided further*, That qualified
4 local engineers may be temporarily employed at per diem
5 rates to perform the technical planning work of the Service
6 (16 U.S.C. 590e-2).

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#### WATERSHED SURVEYS AND PLANNING

8 For necessary expenses to conduct research, inves-9 tigation, and surveys of watersheds of rivers and other wa-10 terways, and for small watershed investigations and planning, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and 11 Flood Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954, as 12 13 amended (16 U.S.C. 1001–1009), \$10,762,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall be available for employment 14 15 pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed 16 17 \$110,000 shall be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109. 18

## 19 WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses to carry out preventive measures, including but not limited to research, engineering operations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation, rehabilitation of existing works and changes in use of land, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act approved August 4, 1954, as amended (16

U.S.C. 1001–1005, 1007–1009), the provisions of the Act 1 of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f), and in accordance 2 3 with the provisions of laws relating to the activities of the 4 Department, \$101,036,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b) (of which up to \$15,000,000 5 may be available for the watersheds authorized under the 6 7 Flood Control Act approved June 22, 1936 (33 U.S.C. 8 701, 16 U.S.C. 1006a), as amended and supplemented: 9 *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available for 10 employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and 11 12 not to exceed \$200,000 shall be available for employment 13 under 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$1,000,000 of this appropriation is available to carry out 14 15 the purposes of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Public Law 93–205), as amended, including cooperative ef-16 forts as contemplated by that Act to relocate endangered 17 18 or threatened species to other suitable habitats as may be 19 necessary to expedite project construction.

## 20 RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses in planning and carrying out projects for resource conservation and development and for sound land use pursuant to the provisions of section 32(e) of title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1010–1011; 76 Stat. 607), the

Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f), and the Agri-1 2 culture and Food Act of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3451–3461), 3 \$29,377,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 4 2209b): *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be avail-5 able for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 6 7 2225), and not to exceed \$50,000 shall be available for 8 employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109. 9 FORESTRY INCENTIVES PROGRAM 10 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, to carry out the program of forestry incentives, as author-11 ized in the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 12 13 (16 U.S.C. 2101), including technical assistance and related expenses, \$6,325,000, to remain available until ex-14 15 pended, as authorized by that Act. 16 TITLE III 17 RURAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY 18 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS 19 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL 20 DEVELOPMENT 21 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of 22 the Under Secretary for Rural Development to administer 23 programs under the laws enacted by the Congress for the 24 Rural Housing Service, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, and the Rural Utilities Service of the Department of
 Agriculture, \$588,000.

3 RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

4 RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

6 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-7 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the 8 Housing Act of 1949, as amended, to be available from 9 funds in the rural housing insurance fund, as follows: 10 \$3,300,000,000 for loans to section 502 borrowers, as determined by the Secretary, of which \$2,300,000,000 shall 11 12 be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans; \$35,000,000 for 13 section 504 housing repair loans; \$15,000,000 for section 514 farm labor housing; \$58,654,000 for section 515 rent-14 15 housing; 600,000 for section 524 site loans; al \$50,000,000 for credit sales of acquired property; and 16 17 \$600,000 for section 523 self-help housing land development loans. 18

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section 502 loans, \$89,210,000, of which \$6,210,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans; section 504 housing repair loans, \$11,081,000; section 514 farm labor housing, \$6,885,000; section 515 rental housing, \$28,987,000: *Pro-* vided, That no funds for new construction for section 515
 rental housing may be available for fiscal year 1997; credit
 sales of acquired property, \$4,050,000; and section 523
 self-help housing land development loans, \$17,000.

5 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to 6 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, 7 \$366,205,000, which shall be transferred to and merged 8 with the appropriation for "Rural Housing Service, Sala-9 ries and Expenses".

## 10 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

11 For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-12 newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)13 or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or payments for eligible households as authorized by section 14 15 502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, \$493,870,000; and in addition such sums as may be nec-16 17 essary, as authorized by section 521(c) of the Act, to liquidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry out 18 19 the rental assistance program under section 521(a)(2) of 20 the Act: *Provided*, That of this amount not more than 21 \$5,900,000 shall be available for debt forgiveness or pay-22 ments for eligible households as authorized by section 23 502(c)(5)(D) of the Act, and not to exceed \$10,000 per 24 project for advances to nonprofit organizations or public 25 agencies to cover direct costs (other than purchase price)

incurred in purchasing projects pursuant to section
 502(c)(5)(C) of the Act: *Provided further*, That agree ments entered into or renewed during fiscal year 1997
 shall be funded for a five-year period, although the life
 of any such agreement may be extended to fully utilize
 amounts obligated.

MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

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8 For grants and contracts pursuant to section
9 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C.
10 1490c), \$26,000,000, to remain available until expended
11 (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

12 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

14 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, agreements, and grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 42 15 16 U.S.C. 1472, 1474, 1479, 1486, and 1490(a), except for sections 381E, 381H, 381N of the Consolidated Farm and 17 Rural Development Act, \$73,190,000, to remain available 18 19 until expended, for direct loans and loan guarantees for 20 community facilities, community facilities grant program, rural housing for domestic farm labor grants, supervisory 21 22 and technical assistance grants, very low-income housing 23 repair grants, rural community fire protection grants, 24 rural housing preservation grants, and compensation for construction defects of the Rural Housing Service: Pro-25 26 *vided*, That the cost of direct loans and loan guarantees HR 3603 RFS

shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional 1 2 Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That 3 the amounts appropriated shall be transferred to loan pro-4 gram and grant accounts as determined by the Secretary: 5 *Provided further*, That no funds for new construction relating to 515 rental housing may be available for fiscal 6 7 year 1997: Provided further, That of the funds made avail-8 able in this paragraph not more than \$1,200,000 shall be 9 available for the multi-family rural housing loan guarantee 10 program as authorized by section 5 of Public Law 104– 120: Provided further, That if such funds are not obligated 11 12 for multi-family rural housing loan guarantees by June 13 30, 1997, they remain available for other authorized purposes under this head: Provided further, That of the total 14 15 amount appropriated, not to exceed \$1,200,000 shall be available for the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and 16 17 grants to be made available for empowerment zones and enterprise communities as authorized by Public Law 103– 18 19 66: Provided further, That if such funds are not obligated 20 for empowerment zones and enterprise communities by 21 June 30, 1997, they remain available for other authorized 22 purposes under this head.

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#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Rural Housing Service,including administering the programs authorized by the

Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as
 amended, title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended,
 and cooperative agreements, \$53,889,000: *Provided*, That
 this appropriation shall be available for employment pur suant to the second sentence of 706(a) of the Organic Act
 of 1944, and not to exceed \$520,000 may be used for em ployment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

# 8 RURAL BUSINESS-COOPERATIVE SERVICE 9 RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT 10 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

11 For the cost of direct loans, \$18,400,000, as author-12 ized by the Rural Development Loan Fund (42 U.S.C. 13 9812(a)): *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 14 15 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided fur-16 *ther*, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obli-17 gations for the principal amount of direct loans of 18 \$40,000,000: Provided further, That through June 30, 19 1997, of the total amount appropriated \$3,345,000 shall 20 be available for the cost of direct loans, for empowerment 21 zones and enterprise communities, as authorized by title 22 XIII of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, 23 to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, \$7,246,000. 24

| 1  | RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM                    |
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| 2  | ACCOUNT   |
| 3  | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)                              |
| 4  | For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-        |
| 5  | ized under section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act,    |
| 6  | for the purpose of promoting rural economic development     |
| 7  | and job creation projects, \$12,865,000.                    |
| 8  | For the cost of direct loans, including the cost of         |
| 9  | modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congres-   |
| 10 | sional Budget Act of 1974, \$2,830,000. In addition, for    |
| 11 | administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct   |
| 12 | loan program, \$654,000, which shall be transferred to and  |
| 13 | merged with the appropriation for "Salaries and Ex-         |
| 14 | penses."  |
| 15 | ALTERNATIVE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND                       |
| 16 | COMMERCIALIZATION REVOLVING FUND                            |
| 17 | For necessary expenses to carry out the Alternative         |
| 18 | Agricultural Research and Commercialization Act of 1990     |
| 19 | (7 U.S.C. 5901–5908), \$6,000,000 is appropriated to the    |
| 20 | alternative agricultural research and commercialization re- |
| 21 | volving fund.   |
| 22 | RURAL BUSINESS—COOPERATIVE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM               |
| 23 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)                              |
| 24 | For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and          |
| 25 | grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 1928, and 1932,     |
| 26 | except for 381E, 381H, 381N of the Consolidated Farm        |
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and Rural Development Act, \$51,400,000, to remain 1 2 available until expended, for direct loans and loan guaran-3 tees for business and industry assistance, rural business 4 grants, rural cooperative development grants, and rural 5 business opportunity grants of the Rural Business—Cooperative Service: *Provided*, That the cost of direct loans and 6 7 loan guarantees shall be as defined in section 502 of the 8 Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided* 9 *further*, That \$500,000 shall be available for grants to 10 qualified nonprofit organizations as authorized under section 310B(c)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural De-11 velopment Act (7 U.S.C. 1932): *Provided further*, That the 12 13 amounts appropriated shall be transferred to loan program and grant accounts as determined by the Secretary: 14 15 *Provided further*, That, of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed \$3,000,000 shall be available for cooperative 16 17 development: *Provided further*, That, of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed \$148,000 shall be available for 18 the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and grants to 19 20 be made available for business and industry loans for 21 empowerment zones and enterprise communities as au-22 thorized by Public Law 103–66 and rural development 23 loans for empowerment zones and enterprise communities 24 as authorized by title XIII of the Omnibus Budget Rec-25 onciliation Act of 1993: Provided further, That if such

funds are not obligated for empowerment zones and enter prise communities by June 30, 1997, they remain avail able for other authorized purposes under this head.

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

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5 For necessary expenses of the Rural Business-Cooperative Service, including administering the programs au-6 7 thorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-8 ment Act, as amended; section 1323 of the Food Security 9 Act of 1985; the Cooperative Marketing Act of 1926; for 10 activities relating to the marketing aspects of cooperatives, including economic research findings, as authorized by the 11 Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946; for activities with in-12 13 stitutions concerning the development and operation of agricultural cooperatives; and cooperative agreements; 14 15 \$25,680,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence 16 17 of 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944, and not to exceed 18 \$260,000 may be used for employment under 5 U.S.C. 19 3109.

20 RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE
21 RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
22 LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT
23 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
24 Insured loans pursuant to the authority of section
25 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended

(7 U.S.C. 935), shall be made as follows: 5 percent rural 1 2 electrification loans, \$125,000,000, 5 percent rural tele-3 communications loans, \$75,000,000; cost of money rural 4 telecommunications loans, \$300,000,000; municipal rate 5 rural electric loans, \$525,000,000; and loans made pursusection 306 of that 6 ant to Act. rural electric. 7 \$300,000,000, telecommunications. and rural 8 \$120,000,000, to remain available until expended.

9 For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-10 gressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modifying loans, of direct and guaranteed loans authorized by 11 the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 12 13 U.S.C. 935), as follows: cost of direct loans, \$4,818,000; cost of municipal rate loans, \$28,245,000; cost of money 14 15 rural telecommunications loans, \$60,000; cost of loans guaranteed pursuant to section 306, \$2,790,000: Pro-16 That notwithstanding section 305(d)(2) of the 17 vided, Rural Electrification Act of 1936, borrower interest rates 18 19 may exceed 7 percent per year.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
\$29,982,000, which shall be transferred to and merged
with the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses."

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#### RURAL TELEPHONE BANK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

2 The Rural Telephone Bank is hereby authorized to 3 make such expenditures, within the limits of funds avail-4 able to such corporation in accord with law, and to make 5 such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Govern-6 7 ment Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be 8 necessary in carrying out its authorized programs for the 9 current fiscal year. During fiscal year 1997 and within 10 the resources and authority available, gross obligations for 11 the of direct principal amount loans shall be \$175,000,000. 12

For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modifying loans, of direct loans authorized by the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 935),
\$2,328,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary tocarry out the loan programs, \$3,500,000.

20 DISTANCE LEARNING AND MEDICAL LINK PROGRAM

For the cost of direct loans and grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa et seq., as amended, \$7,500,000, to remain available until expended, to be available for loans and grants for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas: *Provided*, That the costs of direct loans shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional
 Budget Act of 1974.

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## RURAL UTILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

5 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 1928, and 1932, 6 7 except for 381E, 381H, 381N of the Consolidated Farm 8 and Rural Development Act, \$496,868,000, to remain 9 available until expended, for direct loans and loan guaran-10 tees and grants for rural water and waste disposal, and 11 solid waste management grants of the Rural Utilities 12 Service: *Provided*, That the cost of direct loans and loan 13 guarantees shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: Provided fur-14 ther, That the amounts appropriated shall be transferred 15 16 to loan program and grant accounts as determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That, through June 30, 1997, 17 18 of the total amount appropriated, \$18,700,000 shall be 19 available for the costs of direct loans, loan guarantees, and 20 grants to be made available for empowerment zones and enterprise communities, as authorized by Public Law 103– 21 22 66: Provided further, That, of the total amount appro-23 priated, not to exceed \$18,700,000 shall be for water and 24 waste disposal systems to benefit the Colonias along the 25 United States/Mexico border, including grants pursuant to section 306C of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Devel-26 HR 3603 RFS

opment Act, as amended: *Provided further*, That, of the 1 2 total amount appropriated, not to exceed \$5,000,000 shall 3 be available for contracting with qualified national organi-4 zations for a circuit rider program to provide technical as-5 sistance for rural water systems: *Provided further*, That an amount not less than that available in fiscal year 1996 6 7 be set aside and made available for ongoing technical as-8 sistance under sections 306(a)(14) (7 U.S.C. 1926) and 9 310(B)(b) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-10 ment Act (7 U.S.C. 1932).

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#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

12 For necessary expenses of the Rural Utilities Service, including administering the programs authorized by the 13 Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended, and the 14 15 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as 16 amended, and cooperative agreements, \$33,195,000: Pro-17 *vided*, That this appropriation shall be available for em-18 ployment pursuant to the second sentence of 706(a) of the 19 Organic Act of 1944, and not to exceed \$105,000 may 20 be used for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109.

TITLE IV
 DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS
 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD,
 NUTRITION AND CONSUMER SERVICES
 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
 the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer
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Services to administer the laws enacted by the Congress
 for the Food and Consumer Service, \$454,000.

- 3 CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS
- 4 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

5 For necessary expenses to carry out the National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751–1769b), except section 6 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1772-7 8 1785, and 1789);except sections 17and 19;\$8,652,597,000, to remain available through September 9 10 30, 1998, of which \$3,218,844,000 is hereby appropriated 11 and \$5,433,753,000 shall be derived by transfer from funds available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 12 13 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c): *Provided*, That none of the funds made available under this heading shall be used for new 14 studies and evaluations: *Provided further*, That up to 15 \$4,031,000 shall be available for independent verification 16 of school food service claims. 17

18 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR

19 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

For necessary expenses to carry out the special supplemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17
of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),
\$3,729,807,000, to remain available through September
30, 1998: *Provided*, That none of the funds made available
under this heading may be used to begin more than two
studies and evaluations: *Provided further*, That up to
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\$6,750,000 may be used to carry out the farmers' market 1 2 nutrition program from any funds not needed to maintain 3 current caseload levels: *Provided further*, That, of the total 4 amount of fiscal year 1996 carryover funds that cannot 5 be spent in fiscal year 1997, any funds in excess of \$100,000,000 may be transferred by the Secretary to 6 7 other programs in the Department of Agriculture, exclud-8 ing the Forest Service, with prior notification to the House 9 and Senate Appropriations Committees: *Provided further*, 10 That none of the funds in this Act shall be available to pay administrative expenses of WIC clinics except those 11 12 that have an announced policy of prohibiting smoking 13 within the space used to carry out the program: *Provided further*. That none of the funds provided in this account 14 15 shall be available for the purchase of infant formula except in accordance with the cost containment and competitive 16 bidding requirements specified in section 17 of the Child 17 Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786). 18

19 FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out the Food Stamp Act (7 U.S.C. 2011–2029), \$27,615,029,000: *Provided*, That funds provided herein shall remain available through September 30, 1997, in accordance with section 18(a) of the Food Stamp Act: *Provided further*, That \$100,000,000 of the foregoing amount shall be placed in reserve for use

only in such amounts and at such times as may become 1 2 necessary to carry out program operations: Provided fur-3 ther, That none of the funds made available under this 4 heading shall be used for new studies and evaluations: 5 *Provided further*, That funds provided herein shall be expended in accordance with section 16 of the Food Stamp 6 7 Act: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be 8 subject to any work registration or workfare requirements 9 as may be required by law: *Provided further*, That 10 \$1,174,000,000 of the foregoing amount shall be available for nutrition assistance for Puerto Rico as authorized by 11 7 U.S.C. 2028. 12

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#### COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

14 For necessary expenses to carry out the commodity 15 supplemental food program as authorized by section 4(a)16 of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c (note)), the Emergency Food Assistance 17 18 Act of 1983, as amended, and section 110 of the Hunger Prevention Act of 1988, \$166,000,000, to remain avail-19 20 able through September 30, 1998: Provided, That none 21 of these funds shall be available to reimburse the Com-22 modity Credit Corporation for commodities donated to the 23 program.

24 FOOD DONATIONS PROGRAMS FOR SELECTED GROUPS

For necessary expenses to carry out section 4(a) of
 the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7
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U.S.C. 612c (note)), section 4(b) of the Food Stamp Act 1 (7 U.S.C. 2013(b)), and section 311 of the Older Ameri-2 3 cans Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3030a), 4 \$205,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 5 1998.

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#### FOOD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

7 For necessary administrative expenses of the domes-8 tic food programs funded under this Act, \$104,487,000, 9 of which \$5,000,000 shall be available only for simplifying 10 procedures, reducing overhead costs, tightening regulations, improving food stamp coupon handling, and assist-11 ance in the prevention, identification, and prosecution of 12 fraud and other violations of law: Provided, That this ap-13 propriation shall be available for employment pursuant to 14 15 the second sentence of section 706(a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225), and not to exceed \$150,000 shall 16 be available for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109. 17

#### 19 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED

#### PROGRAMS

21 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SALES 22

TITLE V

### MANAGER

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

24 For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural 25 Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural

Act of 1954, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1761–1768), market 1 2 development activities abroad, and for enabling the Sec-3 retary to coordinate and integrate activities of the Depart-4 ment in connection with foreign agricultural work, includ-5 ing not to exceed \$128,000 for representation allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved 6 7 August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766), \$128,005,000, of which 8 \$2,792,000 may be transferred from the Export Loan 9 Program account in this Act, and \$1,005,000 may be 10 transferred from the Public Law 480 program account in this Act: *Provided*, That the Service may utilize advances 11 12 of funds, or reimburse this appropriation for expenditures 13 made on behalf of Federal agencies, public and private organizations and institutions under agreements executed 14 15 pursuant to the agricultural food production assistance programs (7 U.S.C. 1736) and the foreign assistance pro-16 17 grams of the International Development Cooperation Administration (22 U.S.C. 2392): Provided further, That 18 19 funds provided for foreign market development to trade 20 associations, cooperatives and small businesses shall be al-21 located only after a competitive bidding process to target 22 funds to those entities most likely to generate additional 23 U.S. exports as a result of the expenditure.

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

#### 4 PUBLIC LAW 480 PROGRAM AND GRANT ACCOUNTS

#### 5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

6 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not oth-7 erwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, in-8 cluding interest thereon, under the Agricultural Trade De-9 velopment and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended (7 10 U.S.C. 1691.1701–1715, 1721–1726, 1727–1727f. 1731–1736g), as follows: (1) \$216,400,000 for Public 11 12 Law 480 title I credit, including Food for Progress pro-13 grams; (2) \$13,905,000 is hereby appropriated for ocean freight differential costs for the shipment of agricultural 14 15 commodities pursuant to title I of said Act and the Food for Progress Act of 1985, as amended; (3) \$837,000,000 16 17 is hereby appropriated for commodities supplied in connection with dispositions abroad pursuant to title II of said 18 19 Act; and (4) \$29,500,000 is hereby appropriated for com-20 modities supplied in connection with dispositions abroad 21 pursuant to title III of said Act: *Provided*, That not to 22 exceed 15 percent of the funds made available to carry 23 out any title of said Act may be used to carry out any 24 other title of said Act: Provided further, That such sums 25 shall remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

1 For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-2 gressional Budget Act of 1974, of direct credit agreements 3 as authorized by the Agricultural Trade Development and 4 Assistance Act of 1954, as amended, and the Food for 5 Progress Act of 1985, as amended, including the cost of modifying credit agreements under said 6 Act. 7 \$177,000,000.

8 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
9 the Public Law 480 title I credit program, and the Food
10 for Progress Act of 1985, as amended, to the extent funds
11 appropriated for Public Law 480 are utilized, \$1,750,000.
12 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT LOANS
13 PROGRAM ACCOUNT

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#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 For administrative expenses to carry out the Commodity Credit Corporation's export guarantee program, 16 GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$3,381,000; to cover common 17 overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Com-18 19 modity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, of which not 20 21 to exceed \$2,792,000 may be transferred to and merged 22 with the appropriation for the salaries and expenses of the 23 Foreign Agricultural Service, and of which not to exceed \$589,000 may be transferred to and merged with the ap-24

propriation for the salaries and expenses of the Farm
 Service Agency.

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#### EXPORT CREDIT

4 The Commodity Credit Corporation shall make avail-5 able not less than \$5,500,000,000 in credit guarantees 6 under its export credit guarantee program extended to fi-7 nance the export sales of United States agricultural com-8 modities and the products thereof, as authorized by sec-9 tion 202 (a) and (b) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 10 (7 U.S.C. 5641).

| 11 | TITLE VI                           |
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| 12 | RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG |
| 13 | ADMINISTRATION                     |
| 14 | DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN     |
| 15 | SERVICES                           |
| 16 | Food and Drug Administration       |

17 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

18 For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Ad-19 ministration, including hire and purchase of passenger 20 motor vehicles; for rental of special purpose space in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; and for miscellaneous 21 and emergency expenses of enforcement activities, author-22 ized and approved by the Secretary and to be accounted 23 24 for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to exceed \$907,499,000, of which not to 25 \$25,000;exceed \$87,528,000 in fees pursuant to section 736 of the Fed-26 HR 3603 RFS

eral Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act may be credited to
 this appropriation and remain available until expended:
 *Provided*, That fees derived from applications received
 during fiscal year 1997 shall be subject to the fiscal year
 1997 limitation: *Provided further*, That none of these
 funds shall be used to develop, establish, or operate any
 program of user fees authorized by 31 U.S.C. 9701.

8 In addition, fees pursuant to section 354 of the Pub9 lic Health Service Act may be credited to this account,
10 to remain available until expended.

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

14 None of the funds appropriated or made available to 15 the Federal Food and Drug Administration shall be used to implement any rule finalizing the August 25, 1995 pro-16 posed rule entitled "The Prescription Drug Product La-17 beling; Medication Guide Requirements," except as to any 18 19 specific drug or biological product where the FDA deter-20 mines that without approved patient information there 21 would be a serious and significant public health risk.

Section 3 of the Saccharin Study and Labeling Act
(21 U.S.C 348 nt.) is amended by striking out "May 1,
1997" and inserting in lieu thereof "May 1, 2002".

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#### BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For plans, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of or used by the Food and Drug Administration,
where not otherwise provided, \$21,350,000, to remain
available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b).

| 7 | RENTAL PAYMENTS (FDA)          |
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| 8 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |

9 For payment of space rental and related costs pursu-10 ant to Public Law 92–313 for programs and activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are included in 11 12 this Act, \$46,294,000: *Provided*, That in the event the 13 Food and Drug Administration should require modification of space needs, a share of the salaries and expenses 14 15 appropriation may be transferred to this appropriation, or a share of this appropriation may be transferred to the 16 17 salaries and expenses appropriation, but such transfers 18 shall not exceed 5 percent of the funds made available for 19 rental payments (FDA) to or from this account.

- 20 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
- 21 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICE

22 PAYMENTS TO THE FARM CREDIT SYSTEM FINANCIAL

#### 23 ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

For necessary payments to the Farm Credit SystemFinancial Assistance Corporation by the Secretary of the

Treasury, as authorized by section 6.28(c) of the Farm
 Credit Act of 1971, as amended, for reimbursement of in terest expenses incurred by the Financial Assistance Cor poration on obligations issued through 1994, as author ized \$10,290,000.

#### 6 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

7 Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions 9 of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 10 1 et seq.), including the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; the rental of space (to include multiple 11 year leases) in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; and 12 13 not to exceed \$25,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; \$55,101,000, including not to exceed \$1,000 for of-14 15 ficial reception and representation expenses: *Provided*, That the Commission is authorized to charge reasonable 16 fees to attendees of Commission sponsored educational 17 events and symposia to cover the Commission's costs of 18 19 providing those events and symposia, and notwithstanding 20 31 U.S.C. 3302, said fees shall be credited to this account, 21 to be available without further appropriation.

22 FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

23 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$37,478,000 (from assessments collected from farm credit institutions and from the Federal

Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated
 during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses
 as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249.

#### TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

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5 SEC. 701. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law, 6 appropriations and authorizations made for the Depart-7 ment of Agriculture for the fiscal year 1997 under this 8 Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those 9 specifically provided for, of not to exceed 667 passenger 10 motor vehicles, of which 643 shall be for replacement only, 11 and for the hire of such vehicles.

12 SEC. 702. Funds in this Act available to the Depart-13 ment of Agriculture shall be available for uniforms or al-14 lowances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901– 15 5902).

16 SEC. 703. Not less than \$1,500,000 of the appropria-17 tions of the Department of Agriculture in this Act for re-18 search and service work authorized by the Acts of August 19 14, 1946, and July 28, 1954 (7 U.S.C. 427, 1621–1629), 20 and by chapter 63 of title 31, United States Code, shall 21 be available for contracting in accordance with said Acts 22 and chapter.

SEC. 704. The cumulative total of transfers to the
Working Capital Fund for the purpose of accumulating
growth capital for data services and National Finance

Center operations shall not exceed \$2,000,000: Provided,
 That no funds in this Act appropriated to an agency of
 the Department shall be transferred to the Working Cap ital Fund without the approval of the agency adminis trator.

6 SEC. 705. New obligational authority provided for the 7 following appropriation items in this Act shall remain 8 available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b): Animal and 9 Plant Health Inspection Service, the contingency fund to 10 meet emergency conditions, fruit fly program, and integrated systems acquisition project; Farm Service Agency, 11 12 salaries and expenses funds made available to county com-13 mittees; and Foreign Agricultural Service, middle-income 14 country training program.

15 New obligational authority for the boll weevil program; up to 10 percent of the screwworm program of the 16 17 Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service; Food Safety and Inspection Service, field automation and information 18 management project; funds appropriated for rental pay-19 ments; funds for the Native American institutions endow-20 21 ment fund in the Cooperative State Research, Education, 22 and Extension Service, and funds for the competitive re-23 search grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), shall remain available 24 until expended.

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

4 SEC. 707. Not to exceed \$50,000 of the appropria-5 tions available to the Department of Agriculture in this Act shall be available to provide appropriate orientation 6 7 and language training pursuant to Public Law 94–449. 8 SEC. 708. No funds appropriated by this Act may be 9 used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative 10 agreements or similar arrangements between the United States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-11 12 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative ar-13 rangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest 14 between the two parties. This does not preclude appro-15 priate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts 16 17 with such institutions when such indirect costs are computed on a similar basis for all agencies for which appro-18

19 priations are provided in this Act.

SEC. 709. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, commodities acquired by the Department in connection with Commodity Credit Corporation and section 32 price support operations may be used, as authorized by law (15 U.S.C. 714c and 7 U.S.C. 612c), to provide commodities to individuals in cases of hardship as deter mined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

3 SEC. 710. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-4 able to reimburse the General Services Administration for 5 payment of space rental and related costs in excess of the amounts specified in this Act; nor shall this or any other 6 7 provision of law require a reduction in the level of rental 8 space or services below that of fiscal year 1996 or prohibit 9 an expansion of rental space or services with the use of 10 funds otherwise appropriated in this Act. Further, no agency of the Department of Agriculture, from funds oth-11 12 erwise available, shall reimburse the General Services Ad-13 ministration for payment of space rental and related costs provided to such agency at a percentage rate which is 14 15 greater than is available in the case of funds appropriated in this Act. 16

17 SEC. 711. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-18 able to restrict the authority of the Commodity Credit 19 Corporation to lease space for its own use or to lease space 20 on behalf of other agencies of the Department of Agri-21 culture when such space will be jointly occupied.

SEC. 712. With the exception of grants awarded
under the Small Business Innovation Development Act of
1982, Public Law 97–219, as amended (15 U.S.C. 638),
none of the funds in this Act shall be available to pay

indirect costs on research grants awarded competitively by
 the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension
 Service that exceed 14 percent of total Federal funds pro vided under each award.

5 SEC. 713. Notwithstanding any other provisions of
6 this Act, all loan levels provided in this Act shall be consid7 ered estimates, not limitations.

8 SEC. 714. Appropriations to the Department of Agri-9 culture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made 10 available in fiscal year 1997 shall remain available until expended to cover obligations made in fiscal year 1997 for 11 12 the following accounts: the rural development loan fund 13 program account; the Rural Telephone Bank program account; the rural electrification and telecommunications 14 15 loans program account; and the rural economic develop-16 ment loans program account.

SEC. 715. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal
year 1997 pay raises for programs funded by this Act shall
be absorbed within the levels appropriated in this Act.

SEC. 716. (a) COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICAN ACT.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be expended by an entity unless the entity agrees that in expending the funds the entity will comply with sections 24 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.S.C. 10a– 10c; popularly known as the "Buy American Act"). (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS; REQUIREMENT REGARD ING NOTICE.—

3 (1) PURCHASE OF AMERICAN-MADE EQUIPMENT 4 AND PRODUCTS.—In the case of any equipment or 5 product that may be authorized to be purchased 6 with financial assistance provided using funds made 7 available in this Act, it is the sense of the Congress 8 that entities receiving the assistance should, in ex-9 pending the assistance, purchase only American-10 made equipment and products.

(2) NOTICE TO RECIPIENTS OF ASSISTANCE.—
In providing financial assistance using funds made
available in this Act, the head of each Federal agency shall provide to each recipient of the assistance
a notice describing the statement made in paragraph
(1) by the Congress.

17 (c) PROHIBITION OF CONTRACTS WITH PERSONS FALSELY LABELING PRODUCTS AS MADE IN AMERICA.— 18 If it has been finally determined by a court or Federal 19 20 agency that any person intentionally affixed a label bear-21 ing a "Made in America" inscription, or any inscription 22 with the same meaning, to any product sold in or shipped 23 to the United States that is not made in the United 24 States, the person shall be ineligible to receive any con-25 tract or subcontract made with funds made available in

this Act, pursuant to the debarment, suspension, and ineli gibility procedures described in sections 9.400 through
 9.409 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations.

4 SEC. 717. Notwithstanding the Federal Grant and 5 Cooperative Agreement Act, marketing services of the Agricultural Marketing Service and the Animal and Plant 6 7 Health Inspection Service may use cooperative agreements 8 to reflect a relationship between Agricultural Marketing 9 Service or the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service 10 and a State or Cooperator to carry out agricultural mar-11 keting programs or to carry out programs to protect the 12 Nation's animal and plant resources.

13 SEC. 718. None of the funds in this Act may be used 14 to retire more than 5% of the Class A stock of the Rural 15 Telephone Bank or to maintain any account or subaccount 16 within the accounting records of the Rural Telephone 17 Bank the creation of which has not specifically been au-18 thorized by statute.

19 SEC. 719. None of the funds appropriated or other-20 wise made available by this Act may be used to provide 21 food stamp benefits to households whose benefits are cal-22 culated using a standard deduction greater than the 23 standard deduction in effect for fiscal year 1995.

24 SEC. 720. None of the funds made available in this 25 Act may be used to provide assistance to, or to pay the salaries of personnel who carry out a market promotion/
 market access program pursuant to section 203 of the Ag ricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5623) that pro vides assistance to the U.S. Mink Export Development
 Council or any mink industry trade association.

6 SEC. 721. None of the funds appropriated or other-7 wise made available by this Act shall be used to enroll 8 in excess of 130,000 acres in the fiscal year 1997 wetlands 9 reserve program, as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 3837.

10 SEC. 722. Of the funds made available by this Act, 11 not more than \$1,000,000 shall be used to cover necessary 12 expenses of activities related to all advisory committees, 13 panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department 14 of Agriculture except for panels used to comply with nego-15 tiated rule makings.

16 SEC. 723. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the 17 salaries and expenses of personnel who carry out an export 18 enhancement program if the aggregate amount of funds 19 20 commodities and/or under such program exceeds 21 \$100,000,000.

SEC. 724. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
salaries and expenses of personnel who carry out a farm-

land protection program in excess of \$2,000,000 author ized by section 388 of Public Law 104–127.

3 SEC. 725. None of the funds appropriated or other-4 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the 5 salaries and expenses of personnel who carry out a wildlife 6 habitat incentives program authorized by section 387 of 7 Public Law 104–127.

8 SEC. 726. None of the funds appropriated or other-9 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the 10 salaries and expenses of personnel who carry out a con-11 servation farm option program in excess of \$2,000,000 au-12 thorized by section 335 of Public Law 104–127.

13 SEC. 727. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to pay the salaries of employees of the 14 Department of Agriculture who make payments pursuant 15 to a production flexibility contract entered into under sec-16 17 tion 111 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–127; 7 U.S.C. 7211) 18 when it is made known to the Federal official having au-19 20 thority to obligate or expend such funds that the land cov-21 ered by that production flexibility contract is not being 22 used for the production of an agricultural commodity or is not devoted to a conserving use, unless it is also made 23 24 known to that Federal official that the lack of agricultural

production or the lack of a conserving use is a consequence
 of drought, flood, or other natural disaster.

3 SEC. 728. None of the funds appropriated or other-4 wise made available by this Act shall be used to extend 5 any existing or expiring contract in the Conservation Re-6 serve Program authorized by 16 U.S.C. 3831–3845.

7 SEC. 729. None of the funds made available in this 8 Act may be used to maintain the price of raw cane sugar 9 (as reported for an appropriate preceding month for appli-10 cable sugar futures contracts of the Coffee, Sugar, and Cocoa Exchange, New York) at more than 117<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> percent 11 12 of the statutory loan rate under section 158 of the Federal 13 Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act (title 1 of Public Law 104–127). 14

15 SEC. 730. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
16 may be used to carry out the provisions of section 918
17 of Public Law 104–127, the Federal Agriculture Improve18 ment and Reform Act.

SEC. 731. (a) IN GENERAL.—Any owner on the date
of enactment of this Act of the right to market a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug that—

22 (1) contains a patented active agent;

(2) has been reviewed by the Federal Food and
Drug Administration for a period of more than 96
months as a new drug application; and

1 (3) was approved as safe and effective by the 2 Federal Food and Drug Administration on January 3 31, 1991, shall be entitled, for the 2-year period be-4 ginning on February 28, 1997, to exclude others 5 from making, using, offering for sale, selling, or im-6 porting into the United States such active agent, in 7 accordance with section 154(a)(1) of title 35. United 8 States Code.

9 (b) INFRINGEMENT.—Section 271 of title 35, United
10 States Code shall apply to the infringement of the entitle11 ment provide under subsection (a).

12 (c) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the 13 date of the enactment of this section, any owner granted an entitlement under subsection (a) shall notify the Com-14 15 missioner of Patents and Trademarks and the Secretary for Health and Human Services of such entitlement. Not 16 17 later than 7 days after the receipt of such notice, the Commission and the Secretary shall publish an appropriate no-18 19 tice of the receipt of such notice.

SEC. 732. Funds appropriated to the Department of Agriculture may be used for incidental expenses such as transportation, uniforms, lodging, and subsistence for volunteers serving under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2272, when such volunteers are engaged in the work of the U.S. Department of Agriculture; and for promotional items of nominal value relating to the U.S. Department of Agri culture Volunteer Programs.

3 SEC. 733. It is the sense of Congress that, not later
4 than the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
5 of Agriculture should—

6 (1) release a detailed plan for compensating
7 wheat farmers and handlers adversely affected by
8 the karnal bunt quarantine in Riverside and Impe9 rial Counties of California, which should include—

10 (A) an explanation of the factors to be 11 used to determine the compensation amount for 12 wheat farmers and handlers, including how con-13 tract and spot market prices will be handled; 14 and

15 (B) compensation for farmers who have 16 crops positive for karnal bunt and compensation 17 for farmers who have crops which are negative 18 for karnal bunt, but which cannot go to market 19 due to the lack of Department action on match-20 ing restrictions on the negative wheat with the 21 latest risk assessments; and

(2) review the risk assessments developed by
the University of California at Riverside and submit
a report to Congress describing how these risk assessments will impact the Department of Agriculture

 policy on the quarantine area for the 1997 wheat
 crop.
 Passed the House of Representatives June 12, 1996.
 Attest: ROBIN H. CARLE, Clerk.