## 103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. R. 1122

To require the consolidation of agricultural research and extension activities of the Department of Agriculture.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 1993

Mr. Santorum (for himself, Mr. Inglis of South Carolina, Mr. Doolittle, and Mr. Zimmer) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. CONSOLIDATION OF FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL
- 4 RESEARCH AND EXTENSION AGENCIES.
- 5 (a) Consolidation Required.—Not later than
- 6 September 30, 1993, the Secretary of Agriculture shall
- 7 consolidate the functions and activities of the following
- 8 agencies of the Department of Agriculture:
- 9 (1) The Agricultural Research Service.
- 10 (2) The Cooperative State Research Service.

- 1 (3) The Federal Extension Service.
- 2 (b) Single Research and Extension Service.—
- 3 As part of the consolidation of the agencies specified in
- 4 subsection (a), the Secretary of Agriculture shall establish
- 5 in the Department of Agriculture a unified Agriculture
- 6 Research and Extension Service to administer all pro-
- 7 grams of the Department of Agriculture related to agricul-
- 8 tural research and extension in order to ensure more effec-
- 9 tive, efficient, and economical administration of those pro-
- 10 grams and activities and to eliminate duplication.
- 11 (c) Effect of Consolidation.—Upon consolida-
- 12 tion of an agency referred to in subsection (a), all pro-
- 13 grams and activities previously administered by that agen-
- 14 cy shall be administered by the Agriculture Research and
- 15 Extension Service established under subsection (b). The
- 16 assets, contracts, property, records, and employees of that
- 17 agency, and the unexpended balances of any appropria-
- 18 tions available to that agency, relating to those programs
- 19 and activities shall be transferred to the Agriculture Re-
- 20 search and Extension Service. Any reference to that agen-
- 21 cy in any law, regulation, or order shall be considered to
- 22 be a reference to the Agriculture Research and Extension
- 23 Service.
- 24 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 25 are authorized to be appropriated to the Agriculture Re-

- 1 search and Extension Service established under subsection
- 2 (b) \$800,000,000 for fiscal year 1994. Notwithstanding
- 3 any authorization of appropriations or permanent appro-
- 4 priations for an agency specified in subsection (a), the
- 5 total amount available to the Agriculture Research and
- 6 Extension Service for a fiscal year may not exceed the
- 7 amount appropriated pursuant to this subsection.

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