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Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 17, 2003

Mr. Bennett, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and placed on the calendar

A BILL

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 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,
- 3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
- 4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for Ag-
- 5 riculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administra-
- 6 tion, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year

| 1 | ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes, |
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| 2 | namely: |
| 3 | TITLE I |
| 4 | AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS |
| 5 | Production, Processing, and Marketing |
| 6 | Office of the Secretary |
| 7 | For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary |
| 8 | of Agriculture, \$10,046,000: Provided, That not to exceed |
| 9 | \$11,000 of this amount shall be available for official recep- |
| 10 | tion and representation expenses, not otherwise provided |
| 11 | for, as determined by the Secretary. |
| 12 | EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS |
| 13 | CHIEF ECONOMIST |
| 14 | For necessary expenses of the Chief Economist, in- |
| 15 | cluding economic analysis, risk assessment, cost-benefit |
| 16 | analysis, energy and new uses, and the functions of the |
| 17 | World Agricultural Outlook Board, as authorized by the |
| 18 | Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622g), |
| 19 | \$8,707,000. |
| 20 | NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION |
| 21 | For necessary expenses of the National Appeals Divi- |
| 22 | sion, \$13,997,000. |
| 23 | OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS |
| 24 | For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and |
| 25 | Program Analysis, \$7,544,000. |

| 1 | HOMELAND SECURITY STAFF |
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| 2 | For necessary expenses of the Homeland Security |
| 3 | Staff, \$910,000. |
| 4 | Office of the Chief Information Officer |
| 5 | For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief In- |
| 6 | formation Officer, \$15,710,000. |
| 7 | COMMON COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT |
| 8 | For necessary expenses to acquire a Common Com- |
| 9 | puting Environment for the Natural Resources Conserva- |
| 10 | tion Service, the Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service |
| 11 | and Rural Development mission areas for information |
| 12 | technology, systems, and services, \$119,289,000, to re- |
| 13 | main available until expended, for the capital asset acqui- |
| 14 | sition of shared information technology systems, including |
| 15 | services as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 6915–16 and 40 U.S.C. |
| 16 | 1421–28: Provided, That obligation of these funds shall |
| 17 | be consistent with the Department of Agriculture Service |
| 18 | Center Modernization Plan of the county-based agencies, |
| 19 | and shall be with the concurrence of the Department's |
| 20 | Chief Information Officer. |
| 21 | OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER |
| 22 | For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi- |
| 23 | nancial Officer, \$5,496,000: Provided, That the Chief Fi- |
| 24 | nancial Officer shall actively market and expand cross- |
| 25 | servicing activities of the National Finance Center. |

| 1 | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil |
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| 2 | RIGHTS |
| 3 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of |
| 4 | the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, \$794,000. |
| 5 | Office of Civil Rights |
| 6 | For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights, |
| 7 | \$15,445,000. |
| 8 | Office of the Assistant Secretary for |
| 9 | Administration |
| 10 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of |
| 11 | the Assistant Secretary for Administration, \$673,000. |
| 12 | AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND RENTAL |
| 13 | Payments |
| 14 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 15 | For payment of space rental and related costs pursu- |
| 16 | ant to Public Law 92–313, including authorities pursuant |
| 17 | to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Adminis- |
| 18 | trator of General Services to the Department of Agri- |
| 19 | culture under 40 U.S.C. 486, for programs and activities |
| 20 | of the Department which are included in this Act, and for |
| 21 | alterations and other actions needed for the Department |
| 22 | and its agencies to consolidate unneeded space into con- |
| 23 | figurations suitable for release to the Administrator of |
| 24 | General Services, and for the operation, maintenance, im- |
| 25 | provement, and repair of Agriculture buildings and facili- |

- 1 ties, and for related costs, \$188,022,000, to remain avail-
- 2 able until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Agri-
- 3 culture may transfer a share of that agency's appropria-
- 4 tion made available by this Act to this appropriation, or
- 5 may transfer a share of this appropriation to that agency's
- 6 appropriation to cover the costs of new or replacement
- 7 space for such agency, but such transfers shall not exceed
- 8 5 percent of the funds made available for space rental and
- 9 related costs to or from this account.
- 10 Hazardous Materials Management
- 11 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
- For necessary expenses of the Department of Agri-
- 13 culture, to comply with the Comprehensive Environmental
- 14 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C.
- 15 9601 et seq.) and the Resource Conservation and Recovery
- 16 Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.), \$15,611,000, to remain
- 17 available until expended: *Provided*, That appropriations
- 18 and funds available herein to the Department for Haz-
- 19 ardous Materials Management may be transferred to any
- 20 agency of the Department for its use in meeting all re-
- 21 quirements pursuant to the above Acts on Federal and
- 22 non-Federal lands.

| 1 | DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION |
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| 2 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 3 | For Departmental Administration, \$23,031,000, to |
| 4 | provide for necessary expenses for management support |
| 5 | services to offices of the Department and for general ad- |
| 6 | ministration security, repairs and alterations, and other |
| 7 | miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise pro- |
| 8 | vided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work |
| 9 | of the Department: Provided, That this appropriation shall |
| 10 | be reimbursed from applicable appropriations in this Act |
| 11 | for travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as |
| 12 | required by 5 U.S.C. 551–558. |
| 13 | OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR |
| 14 | Congressional Relations |
| 15 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 16 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of |
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| | the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to |
| 18 | the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to carry out the programs funded by this Act, including pro- |
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| 19 | carry out the programs funded by this Act, including pro- |
| 19 | carry out the programs funded by this Act, including programs involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison |
| 19 20 | carry out the programs funded by this Act, including programs involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison within the executive branch, \$3,825,000: <i>Provided</i> , That |
| 19 20 21 | carry out the programs funded by this Act, including programs involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison within the executive branch, \$3,825,000: <i>Provided</i> , That these funds may be transferred to agencies of the Department of Agriculture funded by this Act to maintain per- |

- 1 be available to the Department for support of activities
- 2 of congressional relations.
- 3 OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
- 4 For necessary expenses to carry out services relating
- 5 to the coordination of programs involving public affairs,
- 6 for the dissemination of agricultural information, and the
- 7 coordination of information, work, and programs author-
- 8 ized by Congress in the Department, \$9,228,000: Pro-
- 9 vided, That not to exceed \$2,000,000 may be used for
- 10 farmers' bulletins.
- 11 Office of the Inspector General
- For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector
- 13 General, including employment pursuant to the Inspector
- 14 General Act of 1978, \$75,781,000, including such sums
- 15 as may be necessary for contracting and other arrange-
- 16 ments with public agencies and private persons pursuant
- 17 to section 6(a)(9) of the Inspector General Act of 1978,
- 18 and including not to exceed \$125,000 for certain confiden-
- 19 tial operational expenses, including the payment of inform-
- 20 ants, to be expended under the direction of the Inspector
- 21 General pursuant to Public Law 95–452 and section 1337
- 22 of Public Law 97–98.
- Office of the General Counsel
- 24 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General
- 25 Counsel, \$35,343,000.

| 1 | Office of the Under Secretary for Research, |
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| 2 | EDUCATION AND ECONOMICS |
| 3 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of |
| 4 | the Under Secretary for Research, Education and Eco- |
| 5 | nomics to administer the laws enacted by the Congress |
| 6 | for the Economic Research Service, the National Agricul- |
| 7 | tural Statistics Service, the Agricultural Research Service |
| 8 | and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Ex- |
| 9 | tension Service, \$596,000. |
| 10 | ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE |
| 11 | For necessary expenses of the Economic Research |
| 12 | Service in conducting economic research and analysis, as |
| 13 | authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 |
| 14 | U.S.C. 1621–1627) and other laws, \$69,902,000. |
| 15 | NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE |
| 16 | For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural |
| 17 | Statistics Service in conducting statistical reporting and |
| 18 | service work, including crop and livestock estimates, sta- |
| 19 | tistical coordination and improvements, marketing sur- |
| 20 | veys, and the Census of Agriculture, as authorized by 7 |
| 21 | U.S.C. 1621–1627 and 2204g, and other laws |
| | \$128,922,000, of which up to \$25,279,000 shall be avail- |

23 able until expended for the Census of Agriculture.

1 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

|) | CALADIDO | ANTE | DYDENICHO |
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| <u>'</u> | SALARIES A | AND | EXPENSES |

| 3 | For necessary expenses to enable the Agricultural Re- |
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| 4 | search Service to perform agricultural research and dem- |
| 5 | onstration relating to production, utilization, marketing, |
| 6 | and distribution (not otherwise provided for); home eco- |
| 7 | nomics or nutrition and consumer use including the acqui- |
| 8 | sition, preservation, and dissemination of agricultural in- |
| 9 | formation; and for acquisition of lands by donation, ex- |
| 10 | change, or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100, |
| 11 | and for land exchanges where the lands exchanged shall |
| 12 | be of equal value or shall be equalized by a payment of |
| 13 | money to the grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent |
| 14 | of the total value of the land or interests transferred out |
| 15 | of Federal ownership, \$1,045,533,000: Provided, That ap- |
| 16 | propriations hereunder shall be available for the operation |
| 17 | and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to |
| 18 | exceed one for replacement only: Provided further, That |
| 19 | appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 |
| 20 | U.S.C. 2250 for the construction, alteration, and repair |
| 21 | of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise pro- |
| 22 | vided, the cost of constructing any one building shall not |
| 23 | exceed \$375,000, except for headhouses or greenhouses |
| 24 | which shall each be limited to \$1,200,000, and except for |
| 25 | 10 buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not |

- 1 to exceed \$750,000 each, and the cost of altering any one
- 2 building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent
- 3 of the current replacement value of the building or
- 4 \$375,000, whichever is greater: Provided further, That the
- 5 limitations on alterations contained in this Act shall not
- 6 apply to modernization or replacement of existing facilities
- 7 at Beltsville, Maryland: *Provided further*, That appropria-
- 8 tions hereunder shall be available for granting easements
- 9 at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center: Provided
- 10 further, That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to
- 11 replacement of buildings needed to carry out the Act of
- 12 April 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): Provided further, That
- 13 funds may be received from any State, other political sub-
- 14 division, organization, or individual for the purpose of es-
- 15 tablishing or operating any research facility or research
- 16 project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized
- 17 by law: Provided further, That all rights and title of the
- 18 United States in the 1.0664-acre parcel of land including
- 19 improvements, as recorded at Book 1320, Page 253,
- 20 records of Larimer County, State of Colorado, shall be
- 21 conveyed to the Board of Governors of the Colorado State
- 22 University for the benefit of Colorado State University.
- None of the funds appropriated under this heading
- 24 shall be available to carry out research related to the pro-

duction, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco 2 products. 3 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES 4 For acquisition of land, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural 6 7 research programs of the Department of Agriculture, where not otherwise provided, \$46,000,000, to remain 8 9 available until expended. 10 Cooperative State Research, Education, and 11 EXTENSION SERVICE 12 RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES 13 For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for 14 cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and 15 for other expenses, \$617,575,000, as follows: to carry out the provisions of the Hatch Act of 1887 (7 U.S.C. 361ai), \$178,977,000; for grants for cooperative forestry re-17 18 search (16 U.S.C. 582a through a-7), \$21,742,000; for 19 payments to the 1890 land-grant colleges, including 20 Tuskegee University and West Virginia State College (7 21 U.S.C. 3222), \$35,411,000, of which \$1,507,496 shall be 22 made available only for the purpose of ensuring that each institution shall receive no less than \$1,000,000; for spe-23 24 cial grants for agricultural research (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)), \$101,637,000; for special grants for agricultural research 25 on improved pest control (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)), \$14,976,000;

- 1 for competitive research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)),
- 2 \$180,000,000; for the support of animal health and dis-
- 3 ease programs (7 U.S.C. 3195), \$5,065,000; for supple-
- 4 mental and alternative crops and products (7 U.S.C.
- 5 3319d), \$840,000; for grants for research pursuant to the
- 6 Critical Agricultural Materials Act (7 U.S.C. 178 et seq.),
- 7 \$1,242,000, to remain available until expended; for re-
- 8 search grants for 1994 institutions pursuant to section
- 9 536 of Public Law 103–382 (7 U.S.C. 301 note),
- 10 \$1,093,000, to remain available until expended; for higher
- 11 education graduate fellowship grants (7 U.S.C.
- 12 3152(b)(6)), \$3,222,000, to remain available until ex-
- 13 pended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); for higher education challenge
- 14 grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(1)), \$4,888,000; for a higher
- 15 education multicultural scholars program (7 U.S.C.
- 16 3152(b)(5)), \$992,000, to remain available until expended
- 17 (7 U.S.C. 2209b); for an education grants program for
- 18 Hispanic-serving Institutions (7 U.S.C. 3241),
- 19 \$4,073,000; for noncompetitive grants for the purpose of
- 20 carrying out all provisions of 7 U.S.C. 3242 (section 759
- 21 of Public Law 106–78) to individual eligible institutions
- 22 or consortia of eligible institutions in Alaska and in Ha-
- 23 waii, with funds awarded equally to each of the States of
- 24 Alaska and Hawaii, \$3,500,000; for a secondary agri-
- 25 culture education program and 2-year post-secondary edu-

- 1 cation (7 U.S.C. 3152(j)), \$994,000; for aquaculture
- 2 grants (7 U.S.C. 3322), \$4,471,000; for sustainable agri-
- 3 culture research and education (7 U.S.C. 5811),
- 4 \$13,661,000; for a program of capacity building grants
- 5 (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(4)) to colleges eligible to receive funds
- 6 under the Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321–326 and
- 7 328), including Tuskegee University and West Virginia
- 8 State College, \$11,404,000, to remain available until ex-
- 9 pended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); for payments to the 1994 Insti-
- 10 tutions pursuant to section 534(a)(1) of Public Law 103–
- 11 382, \$1,689,000; and for necessary expenses of Research
- 12 and Education Activities, \$26,698,000.
- None of the funds in the foregoing paragraph shall
- 14 be available to carry out research related to the produc-
- 15 tion, processing or marketing of tobacco or tobacco prod-
- 16 ucts: Provided, That this paragraph shall not apply to re-
- 17 search on the medical, biotechnological, food, and indus-
- 18 trial uses of tobacco.
- 19 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND
- 20 For the Native American Institutions Endowment
- 21 Fund authorized by Public Law 103–382 (7 U.S.C. 301
- 22 note), \$9,000,000.
- 23 EXTENSION ACTIVITIES
- 24 For payments to States, the District of Columbia,
- 25 Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia,
- 26 Northern Marianas, and American Samoa, \$450,084,000,

- 1 as follows: payments for cooperative extension work under
- 2 the Smith-Lever Act, to be distributed under sections 3(b)
- 3 and 3(c) of said Act, and under section 208(c) of Public
- 4 Law 93–471, for retirement and employees' compensation
- 5 costs for extension agents and for costs of penalty mail
- 6 for cooperative extension agents and State extension direc-
- 7 tors, \$279,390,000; payments for extension work at the
- 8 1994 Institutions under the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C.
- 9 343(b)(3)), \$3,273,000; payments for the nutrition and
- 10 family education program for low-income areas under sec-
- 11 tion 3(d) of the Act, \$58,185,000; payments for the pest
- 12 management program under section 3(d) of the Act,
- 13 \$10,689,000; payments for the farm safety program under
- 14 section 3(d) of the Act, \$5,489,000; payments to upgrade
- 15 research, extension, and teaching facilities at the 1890
- 16 land-grant colleges, including Tuskegee University and
- 17 West Virginia State College, as authorized by section 1447
- 18 of Public Law 95–113 (7 U.S.C. 3222b), \$14,903,000, to
- 19 remain available until expended; payments for youth-at-
- 20 risk programs under section 3(d) of the Smith-Lever Act,
- 21 \$8,426,000; for youth farm safety education and certifi-
- 22 cation extension grants, to be awarded competitively under
- 23 section 3(d) of the Act, \$496,000; payments for carrying
- 24 out the provisions of the Renewable Resources Extension
- 25 Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 1671 et seq.), \$4,516,000; pay-

- 1 ments for Indian reservation agents under section 3(d) of
- 2 the Smith-Lever Act, \$1,983,000; payments for sustain-
- 3 able agriculture programs under section 3(d) of the Act,
- 4 \$4,843,000; payments for rural health and safety edu-
- 5 cation as authorized by section 502(i) of Public Law 92-
- 6 419 (7 U.S.C. 2662(i)), \$2,605,000; payments for cooper-
- 7 ative extension work by the colleges receiving the benefits
- 8 of the second Morrill Act (7 U.S.C. 321–326 and 328)
- 9 and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State College,
- 10 \$31,908,000, of which \$1,724,884 shall be made available
- 11 only for the purpose of ensuring that each institution shall
- 12 receive no less than \$1,000,000; for grants to youth orga-
- 13 nizations pursuant to section 7630 of title 7, United
- 14 States Code, \$2,981,000; and for necessary expenses of
- 15 extension activities, \$20,397,000.
- 16 INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES
- 17 For the integrated research, education, and extension
- 18 competitive grants programs, including necessary adminis-
- 19 trative expenses, as authorized under section 406 of the
- 20 Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform
- 21 Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7626), \$46,711,000, as follows:
- 22 payments for the water quality program, \$12,887,000;
- 23 payments for the food safety program, \$14,870,000; pay-
- 24 ments for the regional pest management centers program,
- 25 \$4,502,000; payments for the Food Quality Protection Act
- 26 risk mitigation program for major food crop systems,

- 1 \$4,857,000; payments for the crops affected by Food
- 2 Quality Protection Act implementation, \$1,487,000; pay-
- 3 ments for the methyl bromide transition program,
- 4 \$3,500,000; payments for the organic transition program,
- 5 \$2,111,000; payments for the international science and
- 6 education grants program under 7 U.S.C. 3291, to remain
- 7 available until expended, \$497,000; payments for the crit-
- 8 ical issues program under 7 U.S.C. 450i(c): Provided,
- 9 That of the funds made available under this heading,
- 10 \$497,000 shall be for payments for the critical issues pro-
- 11 gram under 7 U.S.C. 450i(c) and \$1,503,000 shall be for
- 12 payments for the regional rural development centers pro-
- 13 gram under 7 U.S.C. 450i(c).
- 14 OUTREACH FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS
- For grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501
- 16 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of
- 17 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279), \$3,470,000, to remain available
- 18 until expended.
- 19 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MARKETING
- 20 AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS
- 21 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
- 22 the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Pro-
- 23 grams to administer programs under the laws enacted by
- 24 the Congress for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection
- 25 Service; the Agricultural Marketing Service; and the Grain

- 1 Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration;
- 2 \$736,000.
- 3 Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
- 4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
- 5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
- 6 For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary
- 7 to prevent, control, and eradicate pests and plant and ani-
- 8 mal diseases; to carry out inspection, quarantine, and reg-
- 9 ulatory activities; and to protect the environment, as au-
- 10 thorized by law, \$705,552,000, of which \$4,112,000 shall
- 11 be available for the control of outbreaks of insects, plant
- 12 diseases, animal diseases and for control of pest animals
- 13 and birds to the extent necessary to meet emergency con-
- 14 ditions; of which \$51,720,000 shall be used for the boll
- 15 weevil eradication program for cost share purposes or for
- 16 debt retirement for active eradication zones: Provided,
- 17 That no funds shall be used to formulate or administer
- 18 a brucellosis eradication program for the current fiscal
- 19 year that does not require minimum matching by the
- 20 States of at least 40 percent: Provided further, That this
- 21 appropriation shall be available for the operation and
- 22 maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed
- 23 four, of which two shall be for replacement only: Provided
- 24 further, That, in addition, in emergencies which threaten
- 25 any segment of the agricultural production industry of this
- 26 country, the Secretary may transfer from other appropria-

- 1 tions or funds available to the agencies or corporations
- 2 of the Department such sums as may be deemed nec-
- 3 essary, to be available only in such emergencies for the
- 4 arrest and eradication of contagious or infectious disease
- 5 or pests of animals, poultry, or plants, and for expenses
- 6 in accordance with sections 10411 and 10417 of the Ani-
- 7 mal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8310 and 8316) and
- 8 sections 431 and 442 of the Plant Protection Act (7
- 9 U.S.C. 7751 and 7772), and any unexpended balances of
- 10 funds transferred for such emergency purposes in the pre-
- 11 ceding fiscal year shall be merged with such transferred
- 12 amounts: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder
- 13 shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the
- 14 repair and alteration of leased buildings and improve-
- 15 ments, but unless otherwise provided the cost of altering
- 16 any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed
- 17 10 percent of the current replacement value of the build-
- 18 ing.
- 19 In fiscal year 2004, the agency is authorized to collect
- 20 fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assist-
- 21 ance, goods, or services requested by States, other political
- 22 subdivisions, domestic and international organizations,
- 23 foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such
- 24 fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such
- 25 fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods,

- 1 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such
- 2 fees shall be credited to this account, to remain available
- 3 until expended, without further appropriation, for pro-
- 4 viding such assistance, goods, or services.

5 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

- 6 For plans, construction, repair, preventive mainte-
- 7 nance, environmental support, improvement, extension, al-
- 8 teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as
- 9 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as
- 10 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 428a, \$4,996,000, to remain avail-
- 11 able until expended.
- 12 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
- 13 MARKETING SERVICES
- 14 For necessary expenses to carry out services related
- 15 to consumer protection, agricultural marketing and dis-
- 16 tribution, transportation, and regulatory programs, as au-
- 17 thorized by law, and for administration and coordination
- 18 of payments to States, \$75,263,000, including funds for
- 19 the wholesale market development program for the design
- 20 and development of wholesale and farmer market facilities
- 21 for the major metropolitan areas of the country: Provided,
- 22 That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law
- 23 (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings
- 24 and improvements, but the cost of altering any one build-
- 25 ing during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of
- 26 the current replacement value of the building.

- 1 Fees may be collected for the cost of standardization 2 activities, as established by regulation pursuant to law (31 U.S.C. 9701). 3 4 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES 5 Not to exceed \$62,577,000 (from fees collected) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for administra-6 7 tive expenses: *Provided*, That if crop size is understated 8 and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may 9 exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification 10 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of 11 Congress. 12 FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND 13 SUPPLY (SECTION 32) 14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) 15 Funds available under section 32 of the Act of Au-16 gust 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), shall be used only for commodity program expenses as authorized therein, and other
- 19 Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and

related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the

- 20 Wildlife Act of August 8, 1956; (2) transfers otherwise
- 21 provided in this Act; and (3) not more than \$15,392,000
- 22 for formulation and administration of marketing agree-
- 23 ments and orders pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing
- 24 Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural Act of 1961.

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| 1 | PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS |
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| 2 | For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus |
| 3 | and departments of markets, and similar agencies for |
| 4 | marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul- |
| 5 | tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)), |
| 6 | \$3,338,000, of which not less than \$2,000,000 shall be |
| 7 | used to make noncompetitive grants under this heading. |
| 8 | GRAIN INSPECTION, PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS |
| 9 | ADMINISTRATION |
| 10 | SALARIES AND EXPENSES |
| 11 | For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions |
| 12 | of the United States Grain Standards Act, for the admin- |
| 13 | istration of the Packers and Stockyards Act, for certifying |
| 14 | procedures used to protect purchasers of farm products, |
| 15 | and the standardization activities related to grain under |
| 16 | the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, \$35,638,000: |
| 17 | Provided, That this appropriation shall be available pursu- |
| 18 | ant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair |
| 19 | of buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering |
| 20 | any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed |
| 21 | 10 percent of the current replacement value of the build- |
| 22 | ing. |
| 23 | LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES |
| 24 | EXPENSES |
| 25 | Not to exceed \$42,463,000 (from fees collected) shall |
| 26 | be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection |
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- 1 and weighing services: *Provided*, That if grain export ac-
- 2 tivities require additional supervision and oversight, or
- 3 other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be
- 4 exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Com-
- 5 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.
- 6 Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety
- 7 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 In-
- 10 spection Service, \$611,000.
- 11 FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE
- For necessary expenses to carry out services author-
- 13 ized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry
- 14 Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection
- 15 Act, including not to exceed \$50,000 for representation
- 16 allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the
- 17 Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),
- 18 \$783,761,000, of which no less than \$701,103,000 shall
- 19 be available for Federal food safety inspection; and in ad-
- 20 dition, \$1,000,000 may be credited to this account from
- 21 fees collected for the cost of laboratory accreditation as
- 22 authorized by section 1327 of the Food, Agriculture, Con-
- 23 servation and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 138f): Pro-
- 24 vided, That no fewer than 50 full time equivalent positions
- 25 above the fiscal year 2002 level shall be employed during

| 1 | fiscal year 2004 for purposes dedicated solely to inspec- |
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| 2 | tions and enforcement related to the Humane Methods of |
| 3 | Slaughter Act: Provided further, That this appropriation |
| 4 | shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the |
| 5 | alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but |
| 6 | the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year |
| 7 | shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement |
| 8 | value of the building. |
| 9 | OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM AND |
| 10 | Foreign Agricultural Services |
| 11 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of |
| 12 | the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural |
| 13 | Services to administer the laws enacted by Congress for |
| 14 | the Farm Service Agency, the Foreign Agricultural Serv- |
| 15 | ice, the Risk Management Agency, and the Commodity |
| 16 | Credit Corporation, \$635,000. |
| 17 | FARM SERVICE AGENCY |
| 18 | SALARIES AND EXPENSES |
| 19 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 20 | For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis- |
| 21 | tration and implementation of programs administered by |
| 22 | the Farm Service Agency, \$988,768,000: Provided, That |
| 23 | the Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities, |
| 24 | and authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity |
| 25 | Credit Corporation to make program payments for all pro- |
| 26 | grams administered by the Agency: Provided further, That |

| 1 | other funds made available to the Agency for authorized |
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| 2 | activities may be advanced to and merged with this ac |
| 3 | count. |
| 4 | STATE MEDIATION GRANTS |
| 5 | For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricul- |
| 6 | tural Credit Act of 1987, as amended (7 U.S.C. 5101- |
| 7 | 5106), \$3,974,000. |
| 8 | DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM |
| 9 | (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS) |
| 10 | For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity |
| 11 | payments to dairy farmers and manufacturers of dairy |
| 12 | products under a dairy indemnity program, \$100,000, to |
| 13 | remain available until expended: Provided, That such pro- |
| 14 | gram is carried out by the Secretary in the same manner |
| 15 | as the dairy indemnity program described in Public Law |
| 16 | 106–387 (114 Stat. 1549A–12). |
| 17 | AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM |
| 18 | ACCOUNT |
| 19 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 20 | For gross obligations for the principal amount of di- |
| 21 | rect and guaranteed farm ownership (7 U.S.C. 1922 e |
| 22 | seq.) and operating (7 U.S.C. 1941 et seq.) loans, Indian |
| 23 | tribe land acquisition loans (25 U.S.C. 488), and boll wee |
| 24 | vil loans (7 U.S.C. 1989), to be available from funds in |
| 25 | the Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund, as follows: farm |
| 26 | ownership loans \$1,079,158,000 of which \$950,000,000 |

- 1 shall be for guaranteed loans and \$129,158,000 shall be
- 2 for direct loans; operating loans, \$2,067,317,000, of which
- 3 \$1,200,000,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed
- 4 loans, \$266,249,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed
- 5 loans and \$601,068,000 shall be for direct loans; Indian
- 6 tribe land acquisition loans, \$2,000,000; and for boll wee-
- 7 vil eradication program loans, \$100,000,000: Provided,
- 8 That the Secretary shall deem the pink bollworm to be
- 9 a boll weevil for the purpose of boll weevil eradication pro-
- 10 gram loans.
- 11 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including
- 12 the cost of modifying loans as defined in section 502 of
- 13 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: farm
- 14 ownership loans, \$33,648,000, of which \$5,130,000 shall
- 15 be for guaranteed loans, and \$28,518,000 shall be for di-
- 16 rect loans; operating loans, \$160,634,000, of which
- 17 \$39,960,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans,
- 18 \$34,000,000 shall be for subsidized guaranteed loans, and
- 19 \$86,674,000 shall be for direct loans.
- In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
- 21 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
- 22 \$290,968,000, of which \$283,020,000 shall be transferred
- 23 to and merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service
- 24 Agency, Salaries and Expenses".

- 1 Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural
- 2 Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership
- 3 and operating direct loans and guaranteed loans may be
- 4 transferred among these programs: Provided, That the
- 5 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress
- 6 are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.
- 7 RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY
- 8 For administrative and operating expenses, as au-
- 9 thorized by section 226A of the Department of Agriculture
- 10 Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6933),
- 11 \$71,422,000: Provided, That not to exceed \$1,000 shall
- 12 be available for official reception and representation ex-
- 13 penses, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1506(i).
- 14 CORPORATIONS
- 15 The following corporations and agencies are hereby
- 16 authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of
- 17 funds and borrowing authority available to each such cor-
- 18 poration or agency and in accord with law, and to make
- 19 contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year
- 20 limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government
- 21 Corporation Control Act as may be necessary in carrying
- 22 out the programs set forth in the budget for the current
- 23 fiscal year for such corporation or agency, except as here-
- 24 inafter provided.

| 1 | Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Fund |
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| 2 | For payments as authorized by section 516 of the |
| 3 | Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1516), such sums |
| 4 | as may be necessary, to remain available until expended |
| 5 | COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND |
| 6 | REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES |
| 7 | For the current fiscal year, such sums as may be nec- |
| 8 | essary to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for |
| 9 | net realized losses sustained, but not previously reim- |
| 10 | bursed, pursuant to section 2 of the Act of August 17 |
| 11 | 1961 (15 U.S.C. 713a–11). |
| 12 | HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT |
| 13 | (LIMITATION ON EXPENSES) |
| 14 | For the current fiscal year, the Commodity Credit |
| 15 | Corporation shall not expend more than \$5,000,000 for |
| 16 | site investigation and cleanup expenses, and operations |
| 17 | and maintenance expenses to comply with the requirement |
| 18 | of section 107(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental |
| 19 | Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. |
| 20 | 9607(g)), and section 6001 of the Resource Conservation |
| 2.1 | and Recovery Act (42 U S C 6961) |

| 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, \$761,000. |
| 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-f), |
| 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-2 ings; and operation and maintenance ofaircraft, 3 \$826,635,000, to remain available until expended, of 4 which not less than \$9,500,000 is for snow survey and water forecasting, and not less than \$11,269,000 is for 6 operation and establishment of the plant materials centers, and of which not less than \$23,500,000 shall be for 8 the grazing lands conservation initiative: *Provided*, That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 10 U.S.C. 2250 for construction and improvement of buildings and public improvements at plant materials centers, 12 except that the cost of alterations and improvements to 13 other buildings and other public improvements shall not 14 exceed \$250,000: Provided further, That when buildings 15 or other structures are erected on non-Federal land, that the right to use such land is obtained as provided in 7 16 U.S.C. 2250a: Provided further, That this appropriation 18 shall be available for technical assistance and related expenses to carry out programs authorized by section 202(c) 19 20 of title II of the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control 21 Act of 1974 (43 U.S.C. 1592(c)): Provided further, That 22 qualified local engineers may be temporarily employed at per diem rates to perform the technical planning work of the Service: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this paragraph by this or any other appro-

- 1 priations Act may be used to provide technical assistance
- 2 with respect to programs listed in section 1241(a) of the
- 3 Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)).
- 4 WATERSHED SURVEYS AND PLANNING
- 5 For necessary expenses to conduct research, inves-
- 6 tigation, and surveys of watersheds of rivers and other wa-
- 7 terways, and for small watershed investigations and plan-
- 8 ning, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and
- 9 Flood Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001–1009),
- 10 \$10,000,000: Provided, That qualified local engineers may
- 11 be temporarily employed at per diem rates to perform the
- 12 technical planning work of the Service: Provided further,
- 13 That none of the funds made available under this para-
- 14 graph by this or any other appropriations Act may be used
- 15 to provide technical assistance with respect to programs
- 16 listed in section 1241(a) of the Food Security Act of 1985
- 17 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)).
- WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS
- 19 For necessary expenses to carry out preventive meas-
- 20 ures, including but not limited to research, engineering op-
- 21 erations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation,
- 22 rehabilitation of existing works and changes in use of land,
- 23 in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood
- 24 Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001–1005 and 1007–1009),
- 25 the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C.
- 26 590a-f), and in accordance with the provisions of laws re-

- 1 lating to the activities of the Department, \$55,000,000,
- 2 to remain available until expended (of which up to
- 3 \$5,000,000 may be available for the watersheds author-
- 4 ized under the Flood Control Act (33 U.S.C. 701 and 16
- 5 U.S.C. 1006a)): *Provided*, That not to exceed \$20,000,000
- 6 of this appropriation shall be available for technical assist-
- 7 ance: Provided further, That not to exceed \$1,000,000 of
- 8 this appropriation is available to carry out the purposes
- 9 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-
- 10 205), including cooperative efforts as contemplated by
- 11 that Act to relocate endangered or threatened species to
- 12 other suitable habitats as may be necessary to expedite
- 13 project construction: Provided further, That qualified local
- 14 engineers may be temporarily employed at per diem rates
- 15 to perform the technical planning work of the Service: *Pro-*
- 16 vided further, That none of the funds made available under
- 17 this paragraph by this or any other appropriations Act
- 18 may be used to provide technical assistance with respect
- 19 to programs listed in section 1241(a) of the Food Security
- 20 Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)).
- 21 WATERSHED REHABILITATION PROGRAM
- 22 For necessary expenses to carry out rehabilitation of
- 23 structural measures, in accordance with section 14 of the
- 24 Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (16
- 25 U.S.C. 1012), and in accordance with the provisions of
- 26 laws relating to the activities of the Department,

| 1 | \$29,805,000, to remain available until expended: $Pro-$ |
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| 2 | vided, That qualified local engineers may be temporarily |
| 3 | employed at per diem rates to perform the technical plan- |
| 4 | ning work of the Service: Provided further, That none of |
| 5 | the funds made available under this paragraph by this or |
| 6 | any other appropriations Act may be used to provide tech- |
| 7 | nical assistance with respect to programs listed in section |
| 8 | 1241(a) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. |
| 9 | 3841(a)). |
| 10 | RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT |
| 11 | For necessary expenses in planning and carrying out |
| 12 | projects for resource conservation and development and |
| 13 | for sound land use pursuant to the provisions of sections |
| 14 | 31 and 32 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act (7 |
| 15 | U.S.C. 1010–1011; 76 Stat. 607); the Act of April 27, |
| 16 | 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-f); and subtitle H of title XV of |
| 17 | the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3451– |
| 18 | 3461), \$51,000,000, to remain available until expended. |
| 19 | TITLE III |
| 20 | RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS |
| 21 | OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL |
| 22 | DEVELOPMENT |
| 23 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of |
| 24 | the Under Secretary for Rural Development to administer |
| 25 | programs under the laws enacted by the Congress for the |
| 26 | Rural Housing Service, the Rural Business-Cooperative |

- 1 Service, and the Rural Utilities Service of the Department
- 2 of Agriculture, \$651,000.
- 3 RURAL COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM
- 4 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
- 5 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and
- 6 grants, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1926, 1926a, 1926c,
- 7 1926d, and 1932, except for sections 381E–H and 381N
- 8 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act,
- 9 \$769,479,000, to remain available until expended, of
- 10 which \$79,838,000 shall be for rural community programs
- 11 described in section 381E(d)(1) of such Act; of which
- 12 \$610,641,000 shall be for the rural utilities programs de-
- 13 scribed in sections 381E(d)(2), 306C(a)(2), and 306D of
- 14 such Act; and of which \$79,000,000 shall be for the rural
- 15 business and cooperative development programs described
- 16 in sections 381E(d)(3) and 310B(f) of such Act: Provided,
- 17 That of the amount appropriated for rural business and
- 18 cooperative development programs, \$100,000 shall be for
- 19 a pilot program in the State of Alaska to assist commu-
- 20 nities with community planning: Provided further, That of
- 21 the total amount appropriated in this account,
- 22 \$24,000,000 shall be for loans and grants to benefit Fed-
- 23 erally Recognized Native American Tribes, including
- 24 grants for drinking water and waste disposal systems pur-
- 25 suant to section 306C of such Act, of which \$4,000,000
- 26 shall be available for community facilities grants to tribal

- colleges, as authorized by section 306(a)(19) of the Con-1 2 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act, and of which 3 \$250,000 shall be available for a grant to a qualified na-4 tional organization to provide technical assistance for 5 rural transportation in order to promote economic development: Provided further, That of the amount appropriated 6 for rural community programs, \$6,000,000 shall be avail-8 able for a Rural Community Development Initiative: Provided further, That such funds shall be used solely to de-10 velop the capacity and ability of private, nonprofit community-based housing and community development organiza-12 tions, low-income rural communities, and Federally Recognized Native American Tribes to undertake projects to improve housing, community facilities, community and economic development projects in rural areas: Provided further, That such funds shall be made available to qualified 16 17 private, nonprofit and public intermediary organizations proposing to carry out a program of financial and tech-18 19 nical assistance: Provided further, That such intermediary 20 organizations shall provide matching funds from other 21 sources, including Federal funds for related activities, in 22 an amount not less than funds provided: Provided further,
- 25 \$500,000 shall be made available for a grant to a qualified

That of the amount appropriated for the rural business

and cooperative development programs, not to exceed

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national organization to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in order to promote economic develop-3 ment; \$2,000,000 shall be for grants to the Delta Regional 4 Authority (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.); and not less than \$5,000,000 shall be available for grants in accordance 6 with section 310B(f) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: Provided further, That of the amount 8 appropriated for rural utilities programs, not to exceed \$25,000,000 shall be for water and waste disposal systems 10 to benefit the Colonias along the United States/Mexico border, including grants pursuant to section 306C of such Act; not to exceed \$30,000,000 shall be for water and 12 waste disposal systems for rural and native villages in Alaska pursuant to section 306D of such Act, with up to 14 15 1 percent available to administer the program and up to 1 percent available to improve interagency coordination 16 17 may be transferred to and merged with the appropriation 18 for "Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses", of which 25 percent shall be provided for water and sewer projects 19 20 in regional hubs and \$100,000 shall be provided to develop 21 a regional system for centralized billing, operation, and 22 management of rural water and sewer utilities through re-23 gional cooperatives, and the State of Alaska shall provide a 25 percent cost share; not to exceed \$18,000,000 shall be for technical assistance grants for rural water and

waste systems pursuant to section 306(a)(14) of such Act, of which \$5,513,000 shall be for Rural Community Assist-3 ance Programs; and not to exceed \$13,000,000 shall be 4 for contracting with qualified national organizations for 5 a circuit rider program to provide technical assistance for 6 rural water systems: Provided further, That of the amount appropriated for the circuit rider program, Alaska shall 8 receive no less than five percent and not less than \$750,000 shall be for contracting with qualified national 10 organizations to establish a Native American circuit rider program to provide technical assistance for rural water 12 systems: Provided further, That not less than \$2,000,000 shall be available to carry out Section 6012 of Public Law 14 107–171: Provided further, That of the total amount ap-15 propriated, not to exceed \$22,132,000 shall be available through June 30, 2004, for authorized empowerment 16 17 zones and enterprise communities and communities designated by the Secretary of Agriculture as Rural Economic 18 Area Partnership Zones; of which \$1,000,000 shall be for 19 20 the rural community programs described in section 21 381E(d)(1) of such Act, of which \$12,582,000 shall be 22 for the rural utilities programs described in section 23 381E(d)(2) of such Act, and of which \$8,550,000 shall be for the rural business and cooperative development programs described in section 381E(d)(3) of such Act: Pro-

- 1 vided further, That of the amount appropriated for rural
- 2 community programs, not to exceed \$25,000,000 shall be
- 3 to provide grants for facilities in rural communities with
- 4 extreme unemployment and severe economic depression
- 5 (Public Law 106–387), with 5 percent for administration
- 6 and capacity building in the State rural development of-
- 7 fices: Provided further, That of the amount appropriated,
- 8 \$30,000,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the
- 9 "Rural Utilities Service, High Energy Cost Grants Ac-
- 10 count" to provide grants authorized under section 19 of
- 11 the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 918a):
- 12 Provided further, That of the amount made available for
- 13 high energy cost grants, up to \$3,000,000 shall be avail-
- 14 able to a not-for-profit consumer-owned cooperative utility
- 15 provider serving an island community in a non-contiguous
- 16 State for the purpose of defraying transaction, transition,
- 17 organizational, and other fair and reasonable costs, as de-
- 18 termined by the Secretary, incurred during the period July
- 19 1, 1999 through December 31, 2002, and directly related
- 20 to the successful acquisition by such provider of the inves-
- 21 tor-owned electric utility facilities (including generation,
- 22 transmission, distribution, and other related assets) for-
- 23 merly serving ratepayers on the island: Provided further,
- 24 That any prior year balances for high cost energy grants
- 25 authorized by section 19 of the Rural Electrification Act

- 1 of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 901(19)) shall be transferred to and
- 2 merged with the "Rural Utilities Service, High Energy
- 3 Costs Grants" account.
- 4 RURAL DEVELOPMENT SALARIES AND EXPENSES
- 5 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
- 6 For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-
- 7 tration and implementation of programs in the Rural De-
- 8 velopment mission area, including activities with institu-
- 9 tions concerning the development and operation of agricul-
- 10 tural cooperatives; and for cooperative agreements;
- 11 \$140,922,000: Provided, That notwithstanding any other
- 12 provision of law, funds appropriated under this section
- 13 may be used for advertising and promotional campaigns,
- 14 including souvenirs, that support activities conducted by
- 15 agencies of the Rural Development mission area: Provided
- 16 further, That not more than \$10,000 may be expended to
- 17 provide modest nonmonetary awards to non-USDA em-
- 18 ployees: Provided further, That any balances available
- 19 from prior years for the Rural Utilities Service, Rural
- 20 Housing Service, and the Rural Business-Cooperative
- 21 Service salaries and expenses accounts shall be transferred
- 22 to and merged with this appropriation.

| 1 | Rural Housing Service |
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| 2 | RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT |
| 3 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 4 | For gross obligations for the principal amount of di- |
| 5 | rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the |
| 6 | Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the |
| 7 | rural housing insurance fund, as follows: \$4,084,589,000 |
| 8 | for loans to section 502 borrowers, as determined by the |
| 9 | Secretary, of which \$1,359,417,000 shall be for direct |
| 10 | loans, and of which \$2,725,172,000 shall be for unsub- |
| 11 | sidized guaranteed loans; \$35,004,000 for section 504 |
| 12 | housing repair loans; \$115,052,000 for section 515 rental |
| 13 | housing; \$100,000,000 for section 538 guaranteed multi- |
| 14 | family housing loans; \$5,045,000 for section 524 site |
| 15 | loans; \$11,500,000 for credit sales of acquired property, |
| 16 | of which up to $$1,500,000$ may be for multi-family credit |
| 17 | sales; and \$1,623,000 for section 523 self-help housing |
| 18 | land development loans. |
| 19 | For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including |
| 20 | the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of |
| 21 | the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section |
| 22 | 502 loans, \$165,921,000, of which \$126,018,000 shall be |
| 23 | for direct loans, and of which \$39,903,000, to remain |
| 24 | available until expended, shall be for unsubsidized guaran- |
| 25 | teed loans; section 504 housing repair loans, \$9,612,000; |
| 26 | section 515 rental housing, \$49,484,000; section 538 |

- 1 multi-family housing guaranteed loans, \$5,950,000; multi-
- 2 family credit sales of acquired property, \$663,000; and
- 3 section 523 self-help housing land development loans,
- 4 \$50,000: Provided, That of the total amount appropriated
- 5 in this paragraph, \$7,100,000 shall be available through
- 6 June 30, 2004, for authorized empowerment zones and en-
- 7 terprise communities and communities designated by the
- 8 Secretary of Agriculture as Rural Economic Area Partner-
- 9 ship Zones.
- 10 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
- 11 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
- 12 \$439,453,000, which shall be transferred to and merged
- 13 with the appropriation for "Rural Development, Salaries
- 14 and Expenses".
- 15 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
- 16 For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-
- 17 newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)
- 18 or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or
- 19 payments for eligible households as authorized by section
- 20 502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949, \$721,281,000;
- 21 and, in addition, such sums as may be necessary, as au-
- 22 thorized by section 521(c) of the Act, to liquidate debt
- 23 incurred prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry out the rental
- 24 assistance program under section 521(a)(2) of the Act:
- 25 Provided, That of this amount, not more than \$5,900,000
- 26 shall be available for debt forgiveness or payments for eli-

- 1 gible households as authorized by section 502(c)(5)(D) of
- 2 the Act, and not to exceed \$20,000 per project for ad-
- 3 vances to nonprofit organizations or public agencies to
- 4 cover direct costs (other than purchase price) incurred in
- 5 purchasing projects pursuant to section 502(c)(5)(C) of
- 6 the Act: Provided further, That agreements entered into
- 7 or renewed during the current fiscal year shall be funded
- 8 for a 5-year period, although the life of any such agree-
- 9 ment may be extended to fully utilize amounts obligated.
- 10 MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS
- 11 For grants and contracts pursuant to section
- 12 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C.
- 13 1490c), \$34,000,000, to remain available until expended:
- 14 Provided, That of the total amount appropriated,
- 15 \$1,000,000 shall be available through June 30, 2004, for
- 16 authorized empowerment zones and enterprise commu-
- 17 nities and communities designated by the Secretary of Ag-
- 18 riculture as Rural Economic Area Partnership Zones.
- 19 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS
- 20 For grants and contracts for very low-income housing
- 21 repair, supervisory and technical assistance, compensation
- 22 for construction defects, and rural housing preservation
- 23 made by the Rural Housing Service, as authorized by 42
- 24 U.S.C. 1474, 1479(c), 1490e, and 1490m, \$46,222,000,
- 25 to remain available until expended, of which \$5,000,000
- 26 shall be available for a processing and/or fishery workers

- 1 housing demonstration project in Alaska, Mississippi, and
- 2 Wisconsin: Provided, That of the total amount appro-
- 3 priated, \$1,800,000 shall be available through June 30,
- 4 2004, for authorized empowerment zones and enterprise
- 5 communities and communities designated by the Secretary
- 6 of Agriculture as Rural Economic Area Partnership
- 7 Zones.
- 8 FARM LABOR PROGRAM ACCOUNT
- 9 For the cost of direct loans, grants, and contracts,
- 10 as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1484 and 1486, \$33,015,000,
- 11 to remain available until expended, for direct farm labor
- 12 housing loans and domestic farm labor housing grants and
- 13 contracts.
- 14 RURAL BUSINESS—COOPERATIVE SERVICE
- 15 RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT
- 16 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)
- 17 For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-
- 18 ized by the Rural Development Loan Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 19 9812(a)), \$40,000,000.
- For the cost of direct loans, \$17,308,000, as author-
- 21 ized by the Rural Development Loan Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 22 9812(a)), of which \$1,724,000 shall be available through
- 23 June 30, 2004, for Federally Recognized Native American
- 24 Tribes and of which \$3,449,000 shall be available through
- 25 June 30, 2004, for Delta Regional Authority (7 U.S.C.
- 26 1921 et seq.): Provided, That such costs, including the

- 1 cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section
- 2 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided
- 3 further, That of the total amount appropriated,
- 4 \$2,447,000 shall be available through June 30, 2004, for
- 5 the cost of direct loans for authorized empowerment zones
- 6 and enterprise communities and communities designated
- 7 by the Secretary of Agriculture as Rural Economic Area
- 8 Partnership Zones.
- 9 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
- 10 the direct loan programs, \$4,283,000 shall be transferred
- 11 to and merged with the appropriation for "Rural Develop-
- 12 ment, Salaries and Expenses".
- 13 RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM
- 14 ACCOUNT
- 15 (INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)
- For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-
- 17 ized under section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act,
- 18 for the purpose of promoting rural economic development
- 19 and job creation projects, \$15,002,000.
- For the cost of direct loans, including the cost of
- 21 modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congres-
- 22 sional Budget Act of 1974, \$2,792,000.
- Of the funds derived from interest on the cushion of
- 24 credit payments in the current fiscal year, as authorized
- 25 by section 313 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936,

- 1 \$3,000,000 shall not be obligated and \$3,000,000 are re-
- 2 scinded.
- 3 RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS
- 4 For rural cooperative development grants authorized
- 5 under section 310B(e) of the Consolidated Farm and
- 6 Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932), \$8,967,000, of
- 7 which \$2,500,000 shall be for cooperative agreements for
- 8 the appropriate technology transfer for rural areas pro-
- 9 gram: Provided, That not to exceed \$1,500,000 of the
- 10 total amount appropriated shall be made available to co-
- 11 operatives or associations of cooperatives whose primary
- 12 focus is to provide assistance to small, minority producers
- 13 and whose governing board and/or membership is com-
- 14 prised of at least 75 percent minority.
- 15 RURAL EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND ENTERPRISE
- 16 COMMUNITIES GRANTS
- 17 For grants in connection with second and third
- 18 rounds of empowerment zones and enterprise commu-
- 19 nities, \$14,370,000, to remain available until expended,
- 20 for designated rural empowerment zones and rural enter-
- 21 prise communities, as authorized by the Taxpayer Relief
- 22 Act of 1997 and the Omnibus Consolidated and Emer-
- 23 gency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public
- 24 Law 105–277): Provided, That of the funds appropriated,
- 25 \$1,000,000 shall be made available to third round em-

| l | powerment zones, as authorized by the Community Re- |
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| 2 | newal Tax Relief Act (Public Law 106–554). |
| 3 | RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM |
| 4 | For the cost of a program of direct loans and grants, |
| 5 | under the same terms and conditions as authorized by sec- |
| 6 | tion 9006 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act |
| 7 | of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8106), \$23,000,000 for direct renew- |
| 8 | able energy loans and grants: Provided, That the cost of |
| 9 | direct loans and loan guarantees, including the cost of |
| 10 | modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 |
| 11 | of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. |
| 12 | RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE |
| 13 | RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS |
| 14 | LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT |
| 15 | (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS) |
| 16 | Insured loans pursuant to the authority of section |
| 17 | 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. |
| 18 | 935) shall be made as follows: 5 percent rural electrifica- |
| 19 | tion loans, \$240,000,000; municipal rate rural electric |
| 20 | loans, \$1,000,000,000; loans made pursuant to section |
| 21 | 306 of that Act, rural electric, \$2,000,000,000; Treasury |
| 22 | rate direct electric loans, \$750,000,000; 5 percent rural |
| 23 | telecommunications loans, \$145,000,000; cost of money |
| 24 | rural telecommunications loans, \$250,000,000; loans |
| 25 | made pursuant to section 306 of that Act, rural tele- |
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- 1 underwriting loans pursuant to section 313A,
- 2 \$1,000,000,000.
- For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con-
- 4 gressional Budget Act of 1974, including the cost of modi-
- 5 fying loans, of direct and guaranteed loans authorized by
- 6 sections 305 and 306 of the Rural Electrification Act of
- 7 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935 and 936), as follows: cost of rural
- 8 electric loans, \$60,000, and the cost of telecommunication
- 9 loans, \$125,000: Provided, That notwithstanding section
- 10 305(d)(2) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, bor-
- 11 rower interest rates may exceed 7 percent per year.
- 12 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
- 13 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
- 14 \$37,920,000 which shall be transferred to and merged
- 15 with the appropriation for "Rural Development, Salaries
- 16 and Expenses".
- 17 RURAL TELEPHONE BANK PROGRAM ACCOUNT
- 18 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)
- 19 The Rural Telephone Bank is hereby authorized to
- 20 make such expenditures, within the limits of funds avail-
- 21 able to such corporation in accord with law, and to make
- 22 such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal
- 23 year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Govern-
- 24 ment Corporation Control Act, as may be necessary in car-
- 25 rying out its authorized programs. During fiscal year 2004
- 26 and within the resources and authority available, gross ob-

- 1 ligations for the principal amount of direct loans shall be
- 2 \$173,503,000.
- 3 In addition, for administrative expenses, including
- 4 audits, necessary to carry out the loan programs,
- 5 \$3,182,000, which shall be transferred to and merged with
- 6 the appropriation for "Rural Development, Salaries and
- 7 Expenses".
- 8 DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND
- 9 PROGRAM
- 10 For the principal amount of direct distance learning
- 11 and telemedicine loans, \$300,000,000; and for the prin-
- 12 cipal amount of broadband telecommunications loans,
- 13 \$335,963,000, in areas that meet the definition of "rural
- 14 area" used for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine
- 15 Program authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa.
- 16 For grants for telemedicine and distance learning
- 17 services in rural areas, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa
- 18 et seq., \$40,000,000, to remain available until expended:
- 19 Provided, That \$15,000,000 shall be made available to
- 20 convert analog to digital operation those noncommercial
- 21 educational television broadcast stations that serve rural
- 22 areas and are qualified for Community Service Grants by
- 23 the Corporation for Public Broadcasting under section
- 24 396(k) of the Communications Act of 1934, including as-
- 25 sociated translators, repeaters, and studio-to-transmitter
- 26 links.

| 1 | For the cost of direct and guaranteed broadband | | | | |
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| 2 | loans, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 901, et seq., \$9,116,000: | | | | |
| 3 | Provided, That the cost of direct loans shall be as defined | | | | |
| 4 | in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. | | | | |
| 5 | In addition, \$10,000,000, to remain available until | | | | |
| 6 | expended, for a grant program to finance broadband | | | | |
| 7 | transmission in areas that meet the definition of "rural | | | | |
| 8 | area" used for the Broadband Loan Program authorized | | | | |
| 9 | by 7 U.S.C. 901. | | | | |
| 10 | TITLE IV | | | | |
| 11 | DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS | | | | |
| 12 | Office of the Under Secretary for Food, | | | | |
| 13 | NUTRITION AND CONSUMER SERVICES | | | | |
| 14 | For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of | | | | |
| 15 | the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer | | | | |
| 16 | Services to administer the laws enacted by the Congress | | | | |
| 17 | for the Food and Nutrition Service, \$611,000. | | | | |
| 18 | FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE | | | | |
| 19 | CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS | | | | |
| 20 | (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS) | | | | |
| 21 | For necessary expenses to carry out the National | | | | |
| 22 | School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), except section | | | | |
| 23 | 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 | | | | |
| 24 | et seq.), except sections 17 and 21; \$11,418,441,000, to | | | | |
| 25 | remain available through September 30, 2005, of which | | | | |
| 26 | \$6,718,780,000 is hereby appropriated and | | | | |
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- 1 \$4,699,661,000 shall be derived by transfer from funds
- 2 available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935
- 3 (7 U.S.C. 612c): Provided, That none of the funds made
- 4 available under this heading shall be used for studies and
- 5 evaluations: *Provided further*, That up to \$5,235,000 shall
- 6 be available for independent verification of school food
- 7 service claims.
- 8 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR
- 9 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)
- For necessary expenses to carry out the special sup-
- 11 plemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17
- 12 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),
- 13 \$4,639,232,000, to remain available through September
- 14 30, 2005, of which \$10,000,000 shall be for a
- 15 breastfeeding support initiative in addition to the activities
- 16 specified in section 17(h)(3)(A) and \$30,000,000 shall be
- 17 for a management information system initiative: Provided,
- 18 That of the total amount available, the Secretary shall ob-
- 19 ligate \$25,000,000 for the farmers' market nutrition pro-
- 20 gram: Provided further, That notwithstanding section
- 21 17(h)(10)(A) of such Act, \$14,000,000 shall be available
- 22 for the purposes specified in section 17(h)(10)(B): Pro-
- 23 vided further, That notwithstanding section 17(g)(5) of
- 24 such Act, \$5,000,000 shall be available for pilot projects
- 25 to prevent childhood obesity: Provided further, That none
- 26 of the funds in this Act shall be available to pay adminis-

- 1 trative expenses of WIC clinics except those that have an
- 2 announced policy of prohibiting smoking within the space
- 3 used to carry out the program: Provided further, That
- 4 none of the funds provided in this account shall be avail-
- 5 able for the purchase of infant formula except in accord-
- 6 ance with the cost containment and competitive bidding
- 7 requirements specified in section 17 of such Act: Provided
- 8 further, That none of the funds provided shall be available
- 9 for activities that are not fully reimbursed by other Fed-
- 10 eral Government departments or agencies unless author-
- 11 ized by section 17 of such Act.
- FOOD STAMP PROGRAM
- For necessary expenses to carry out the Food Stamp
- 14 Act (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), \$27,745,981,000, of which
- 15 \$2,000,000,000 shall be placed in reserve for use only in
- 16 such amounts and at such times as may become necessary
- 17 to carry out program operations: Provided, That none of
- 18 the funds made available under this heading shall be used
- 19 for studies and evaluations: Provided further, That of the
- 20 funds made available under this heading and not already
- 21 appropriated to the Food Distribution Program on Indian
- 22 Reservations (FDPIR) established under section 4(b) of
- 23 the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2013(b)), not to
- 24 exceed \$4,000,000 shall be used to purchase bison meat
- 25 for the FDPIR from Native American bison producers as
- 26 well as from producer-owned cooperatives of bison ranch-

- 1 ers: Provided further, That funds provided herein shall be
- 2 expended in accordance with section 16 of the Food Stamp
- 3 Act: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be
- 4 subject to any work registration or workfare requirements
- 5 as may be required by law: Provided further, That funds
- 6 made available for Employment and Training under this
- 7 heading shall remain available until expended, as author-
- 8 ized by section 16(h)(1) of the Food Stamp Act.
- 9 COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
- 10 For necessary expenses to carry out disaster assist-
- 11 ance and the commodity supplemental food program as
- 12 authorized by section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Con-
- 13 sumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c note); the
- 14 Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983; and special as-
- 15 sistance for the nuclear affected islands, as authorized by
- 16 Section 103(h)(2) of the Compacts of Free Association
- 17 Act of 1985, \$145,740,000, to remain available through
- 18 September 30, 2005: *Provided*, That none of these funds
- 19 shall be available to reimburse the Commodity Credit Cor-
- 20 poration for commodities donated to the program.
- 21 NUTRITION PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION
- 22 For necessary administrative expenses of the domes-
- 23 tic nutrition assistance programs funded under this Act,
- 24 \$138,304,000, of which \$5,000,000 shall be available only
- 25 for simplifying procedures, reducing overhead costs, tight-
- 26 ening regulations, improving food stamp benefit delivery,

| 1 | and assisting in the prevention, identification, and pros- |
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| 2 | ecution of fraud and other violations of law; and of which |
| 3 | not less than \$4,000,000 shall be available to improve in- |
| 4 | tegrity in the Food Stamp and Child Nutrition programs. |
| 5 | TITLE V |
| 6 | FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED |
| 7 | PROGRAMS |
| 8 | FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE |
| 9 | SALARIES AND EXPENSES |
| 10 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 11 | For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural |
| 12 | Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural |
| 13 | Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1761–1769), market development |
| 14 | activities abroad, and for enabling the Secretary to coordi- |
| 15 | nate and integrate activities of the Department in connec- |
| 16 | tion with foreign agricultural work, including not to exceed |
| 17 | \$158,000 for representation allowances and for expenses |
| 18 | pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956 |
| 19 | (7 U.S.C. 1766), \$131,648,000: <i>Provided</i> , That the Serv- |
| 20 | ice may utilize advances of funds, or reimburse this appro- |
| 21 | priation for expenditures made on behalf of Federal agen- |
| 22 | cies, public and private organizations and institutions |
| 23 | under agreements executed pursuant to the agricultural |
| 24 | food production assistance programs (7 U.S.C. 1737) and |
| 25 | the foreign assistance programs of the United States |
| 26 | Agency for International Development. |

| 1 | PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE I PROGRAM ACCOUNT |
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| 2 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) |
| 3 | For the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Con- |
| 4 | gressional Budget Act of 1974, of agreements under the |
| 5 | Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of |
| 6 | 1954, and the Food for Progress Act of 1985, including |
| 7 | the cost of modifying credit arrangements under said Acts, |
| 8 | \$103,887,000, to remain available until expended. |
| 9 | In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out |
| 10 | the credit program of title I, Public Law 83–480, and the |
| 11 | Food for Progress Act of 1985, to the extent funds appro- |
| 12 | priated for Public Law 83–480 are utilized, \$2,134,000, |
| 13 | of which \$1,075,000 may be transferred to and merged |
| 14 | with the appropriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service, |
| 15 | Salaries and Expenses", and of which \$1,059,000 may be |
| 16 | transferred to and merged with the appropriation for |
| 17 | "Farm Service Agency, Salaries and Expenses". |
| 18 | PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE I OCEAN FREIGHT DIFFERENTIAL |
| 19 | GRANTS |
| 20 | (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS) |
| 21 | For ocean freight differential costs for the shipment |
| 22 | of agricultural commodities under title I of the Agricul- |
| 23 | tural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 and |
| 24 | under the Food for Progress Act of 1985, \$28,000,000, |
| 25 | to remain available until expended: Provided, That funds |
| 26 | made available for the cost of agreements under title I |

- 1 of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act
- 2 of 1954 and for title I ocean freight differential may be
- 3 used interchangeably between the two accounts with prior
- 4 notice to the Committees on Appropriations of both
- 5 Houses of Congress.
- 6 PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE II GRANTS
- 7 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not oth-
- 8 erwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, in-
- 9 cluding interest thereon, under the Agricultural Trade De-
- 10 velopment and Assistance Act of 1954, for commodities
- 11 supplied in connection with dispositions abroad under title
- 12 II of said Act, \$1,192,000,000, to remain available until
- 13 expended.
- 14 MC GOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR EDUCATION
- 15 AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM GRANTS
- 16 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
- 17 of section 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
- 18 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 1736o-1), \$25,000,000, to
- 19 remain available until expended: Provided, That the Com-
- 20 modity Credit Corporation is authorized to provide the
- 21 services, facilities, and authorities for the purpose of im-
- 22 plementing such section, subject to reimbursement from
- 23 amounts provided herein.

| 1 | COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT LOANS | | | |
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| 2 | PROGRAM ACCOUNT | | | |
| 3 | (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS) | | | |
| 4 | For administrative expenses to carry out the Com- | | | |
| 5 | modity Credit Corporation's export guarantee program, | | | |
| 6 | GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$4,152,000; to cover common | | | |
| 7 | overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Com- | | | |
| 8 | modity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity | | | |
| 9 | with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, of which | | | |
| 10 | \$3,306,000 may be transferred to and merged with the | | | |
| 11 | appropriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service, Salaries | | | |
| 12 | and Expenses", and of which \$846,000 may be trans- | | | |
| 13 | ferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Farm | | | |
| 14 | Service Agency, Salaries and Expenses". | | | |
| 15 | TITLE VI | | | |
| 16 | RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG | | | |
| 17 | ADMINISTRATION | | | |
| 18 | DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN | | | |
| 19 | SERVICES | | | |
| 20 | FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION | | | |
| 21 | SALARIES AND EXPENSES | | | |
| 22 | For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Ad- | | | |
| 23 | ministration, including hire and purchase of passenger | | | |
| 24 | motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related | | | |
| 25 | costs pursuant to Public Law 92–313 for programs and | | | |
| 26 | activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are | | | |

included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; and for miscella-3 neous and emergency expenses of enforcement activities, 4 authorized and approved by the Secretary and to be ac-5 counted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to ex-6 ceed \$25,000; \$1,663,228,000, of which not to exceed \$249,825,000 to be derived from prescription drug user 8 fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379h, including any such fees assessed prior to the current fiscal year but credited 10 during the current year, in accordance with section 736(g)(4), shall be credited to this appropriation and re-11 12 main available until expended; and of which not to exceed 13 \$29,190,000 to be derived from medical device user fees 14 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j shall be credited to this ap-15 propriation, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That fees derived from applications received during fiscal 16 17 year 2004 shall be subject to the fiscal year 2004 limitation: Provided further, That none of these funds shall be 18 used to develop, establish, or operate any program of user 19 fees authorized by 31 U.S.C. 9701: Provided further, That 20 21 of the total amount appropriated: (1) \$412,020,000 shall be for the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition 23 and related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (2) \$475,655,000 shall be for the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and related field activities in the

- 1 Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which no less than
- 2 \$13,270,000 shall be available for grants and contracts
- 3 awarded under section 5 of the Orphan Drug Act (21
- 4 U.S.C. 360ee); (3) \$168,836,000 shall be for the Center
- 5 for Biologics Evaluation and Research and for related field
- 6 activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (4)
- 7 \$84,646,000 shall be for the Center for Veterinary Medi-
- 8 cine and for related field activities in the Office of Regu-
- 9 latory Affairs; (5) \$207,686,000 shall be for the Center
- 10 for Devices and Radiological Health and for related field
- 11 activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (6)
- 12 \$39,887,000 shall be for the National Center for Toxi-
- 13 cological Research; (7) \$40,851,000 shall be for Rent and
- 14 Related activities, other than the amounts paid to the
- 15 General Services Administration for rent; (8)
- 16 \$119,152,000 shall be for payments to the General Serv-
- 17 ices Administration for rent; and (9) \$114,495,000 shall
- 18 be for other activities, including the Office of the Commis-
- 19 sioner; the Office of Management and Systems; the Office
- 20 of External Relations; the Office of Policy, Legislation,
- 21 and Planning; and central services for these offices: Pro-
- 22 vided further, That funds may be transferred from one
- 23 specified activity to another with the prior approval of the
- 24 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
- 25 gress.

| 1 | In addition, mammography user fees authorized by |
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| 2 | 42 U.S.C. 263b may be credited to this account, to remain |
| 3 | available until expended. |
| 4 | In addition, export certification user fees authorized |
| 5 | by 21 U.S.C. 381 may be credited to this account, to re- |
| 6 | main available until expended. |
| 7 | BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES |
| 8 | For plans, construction, repair, improvement, exten- |
| 9 | sion, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facili- |
| 10 | ties of or used by the Food and Drug Administration |
| 11 | where not otherwise provided, \$7,948,000, to remain |
| 12 | available until expended. |
| 13 | INDEPENDENT AGENCIES |
| 14 | COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION |
| 15 | For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions |
| 16 | of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), in- |
| 17 | cluding the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles |
| 18 | and the rental of space (to include multiple year leases) |
| 19 | in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, \$90,435,000 |
| 20 | including not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception and |
| 21 | representation expenses. |
| 22 | FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION |
| 23 | LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES |
| 24 | Not to exceed \$40,900,000 (from assessments col- |
| 25 | lected from farm credit institutions and from the Federal |
| 26 | Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated |

- 1 during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses
- 2 as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249: Provided, That this
- 3 limitation shall not apply to expenses associated with re-
- 4 ceiverships.

5 TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 6 Sec. 701. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law,
- 7 appropriations and authorizations made for the Depart-
- 8 ment of Agriculture for the current fiscal year under this
- 9 Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those
- 10 specifically provided for, of not to exceed 398 passenger
- 11 motor vehicles, of which 396 shall be for replacement only,
- 12 and for the hire of such vehicles.
- 13 Sec. 702. Funds in this Act available to the Depart-
- 14 ment of Agriculture shall be available for uniforms or al-
- 15 lowances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–
- 16 5902).
- 17 Sec. 703. Funds appropriated by this Act shall be
- 18 available for employment pursuant to the second sentence
- 19 of section 706(a) of the Department of Agriculture Or-
- 20 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2225) and 5 U.S.C. 3109.
- 21 Sec. 704. The Secretary of Agriculture may transfer
- 22 unobligated balances of discretionary funds appropriated
- 23 by this Act or other available unobligated discretionary
- 24 balances of the Department of Agriculture to the Working
- 25 Capital Fund for the acquisition of plant and capital

- 1 equipment necessary for the delivery of financial, adminis-
- 2 trative, and information technology services of primary
- 3 benefit to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture:
- 4 Provided, That none of the funds made available by this
- 5 Act or any other Act shall be transferred to the Working
- 6 Capital Fund without the prior approval of the agency ad-
- 7 ministrator: Provided further, That none of the funds
- 8 transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to this
- 9 section shall be available for obligation without the prior
- 10 approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both
- 11 Houses of Congress.
- 12 Sec. 705. New obligational authority provided for the
- 13 following appropriation items in this Act shall remain
- 14 available until expended: Animal and Plant Health Inspec-
- 15 tion Service, the contingency fund to meet emergency con-
- 16 ditions, information technology infrastructure, fruit fly
- 17 program, emerging plant pests, boll weevil program, and
- 18 up to 25 percent of the screwworm program; Food Safety
- 19 and Inspection Service, field automation and information
- 20 management project; Cooperative State Research, Edu-
- 21 cation, and Extension Service, funds for competitive re-
- 22 search grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), funds for the Research,
- 23 Education and Economics Information System (REEIS),
- 24 and funds for the Native American Institutions Endow-
- 25 ment Fund; Farm Service Agency, salaries and expenses

- 1 funds made available to county committees; Foreign Agri-
- 2 cultural Service, middle-income country training program
- 3 and up to \$2,000,000 of the Foreign Agricultural Service
- 4 appropriation solely for the purpose of offsetting fluctua-
- 5 tions in international currency exchange rates, subject to
- 6 documentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service.
- 7 Sec. 706. No part of any appropriation contained in
- 8 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
- 9 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.
- Sec. 707. Not to exceed \$50,000 of the appropria-
- 11 tions available to the Department of Agriculture in this
- 12 Act shall be available to provide appropriate orientation
- 13 and language training pursuant to section 606C of the Act
- 14 of August 28, 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1766b).
- 15 Sec. 708. No funds appropriated by this Act may be
- 16 used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative
- 17 agreements or similar arrangements between the United
- 18 States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-
- 19 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of
- 20 the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative ar-
- 21 rangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest
- 22 between the two parties. This does not preclude appro-
- 23 priate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts
- 24 with such institutions when such indirect costs are com-

- 1 puted on a similar basis for all agencies for which appro-
- 2 priations are provided in this Act.
- 3 Sec. 709. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 4 able to restrict the authority of the Commodity Credit
- 5 Corporation to lease space for its own use or to lease space
- 6 on behalf of other agencies of the Department of Agri-
- 7 culture when such space will be jointly occupied.
- 8 Sec. 710. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
- 9 able to pay indirect costs charged against competitive agri-
- 10 cultural research, education, or extension grant awards
- 11 issued by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and
- 12 Extension Service that exceed 19 percent of total Federal
- 13 funds provided under each award: Provided, That notwith-
- 14 standing section 1462 of the National Agricultural Re-
- 15 search, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7
- 16 U.S.C. 3310), funds provided by this Act for grants
- 17 awarded competitively by the Cooperative State Research,
- 18 Education, and Extension Service shall be available to pay
- 19 full allowable indirect costs for each grant awarded under
- 20 section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638).
- 21 Sec. 711. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 22 this Act, all loan levels provided in this Act shall be consid-
- 23 ered estimates, not limitations.
- Sec. 712. Appropriations to the Department of Agri-
- 25 culture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made

- 1 available in the current fiscal year shall remain available
- 2 until expended to cover obligations made in the current
- 3 fiscal year for the following accounts: the Rural Develop-
- 4 ment Loan Fund program account, the Rural Telephone
- 5 Bank program account, the Rural Electrification and
- 6 Telecommunications Loans program account, the Rural
- 7 Housing Insurance Fund program account, and the Rural
- 8 Economic Development Loans program account.
- 9 Sec. 713. None of the funds in this Act may be used
- 10 to retire more than 5 percent of the Class A stock of the
- 11 Rural Telephone Bank or to maintain any account or sub-
- 12 account within the accounting records of the Rural Tele-
- 13 phone Bank the creation of which has not specifically been
- 14 authorized by statute: Provided, That notwithstanding any
- 15 other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or
- 16 otherwise made available in this Act may be used to trans-
- 17 fer to the Treasury or to the Federal Financing Bank any
- 18 unobligated balance of the Rural Telephone Bank tele-
- 19 phone liquidating account which is in excess of current
- 20 requirements and such balance shall receive interest as set
- 21 forth for financial accounts in section 505(c) of the Fed-
- 22 eral Credit Reform Act of 1990.
- SEC. 714. Of the funds made available by this Act,
- 24 not more than \$1,800,000 shall be used to cover necessary
- 25 expenses of activities related to all advisory committees,

- 1 panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department
- 2 of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with nego-
- 3 tiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competi-
- 4 tively awarded grants.
- 5 Sec. 715. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
- 6 may be used to carry out section 410 of the Federal Meat
- 7 Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 679a) or section 30 of the Poul-
- 8 try Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 471).
- 9 Sec. 716. No employee of the Department of Agri-
- 10 culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or
- 11 office funded by this Act to any other agency or office
- 12 of the Department for more than 30 days unless the indi-
- 13 vidual's employing agency or office is fully reimbursed by
- 14 the receiving agency or office for the salary and expenses
- 15 of the employee for the period of assignment.
- 16 Sec. 717. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 17 wise made available to the Department of Agriculture
- 18 shall be used to transmit or otherwise make available to
- 19 any non-Department of Agriculture employee questions or
- 20 responses to questions that are a result of information re-
- 21 quested for the appropriations hearing process.
- Sec. 718. None of the funds made available to the
- 23 Department of Agriculture by this Act may be used to ac-
- 24 quire new information technology systems or significant
- 25 upgrades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Infor-

- 1 mation Officer, without the approval of the Chief Informa-
- 2 tion Officer and the concurrence of the Executive Informa-
- 3 tion Technology Investment Review Board: Provided, That
- 4 notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the
- 5 funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this
- 6 Act may be transferred to the Office of the Chief Informa-
- 7 tion Officer without the prior approval of the Committees
- 8 on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.
- 9 Sec. 719. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act,
- 10 or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agen-
- 11 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation
- 12 or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
- 13 any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived
- 14 by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded
- 15 by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure
- 16 through a reprogramming of funds which: (1) creates new
- 17 programs; (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;
- 18 (3) increases funds or personnel by any means for any
- 19 project or activity for which funds have been denied or
- 20 restricted; (4) relocates an office or employees; (5) reorga-
- 21 nizes offices, programs, or activities; or (6) contracts out
- 22 or privatizes any functions or activities presently per-
- 23 formed by Federal employees; unless the Committees on
- 24 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress are notified
- 25 15 days in advance of such reprogramming of funds.

- 1 (b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-
- 2 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies
- 3 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or
- 4 expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
- 5 any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived
- 6 by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded
- 7 by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure
- 8 for activities, programs, or projects through a reprogram-
- 9 ming of funds in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, which-
- 10 ever is less, that: (1) augments existing programs,
- 11 projects, or activities; (2) reduces by 10 percent funding
- 12 for any existing program, project, or activity, or numbers
- 13 of personnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or
- 14 (3) results from any general savings from a reduction in
- 15 personnel which would result in a change in existing pro-
- 16 grams, activities, or projects as approved by Congress; un-
- 17 less the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of
- 18 Congress are notified 15 days in advance of such re-
- 19 programming of funds.
- 20 (c) The Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of
- 21 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-
- 22 modity Futures Trading Commission shall notify the Com-
- 23 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress be-
- 24 fore implementing a program or activity not carried out
- 25 during the previous fiscal year unless the program or ac-

- 1 tivity is funded by this Act or specifically funded by any
- 2 other Act.
- 3 Sec. 720. With the exception of funds needed to ad-
- 4 minister and conduct oversight of grants awarded and ob-
- 5 ligations incurred in prior fiscal years, none of the funds
- 6 appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any
- 7 other Act may be used to pay the salaries and expenses
- 8 of personnel to carry out the provisions of section 401 of
- 9 Public Law 105–185, the Initiative for Future Agriculture
- 10 and Food Systems (7 U.S.C. 7621).
- 11 Sec. 721. None of the funds made available to the
- 12 Food and Drug Administration by this Act shall be used
- 13 to reduce the Detroit, Michigan, Food and Drug Adminis-
- 14 tration District Office below the operating and full-time
- 15 equivalent staffing level of July 31, 1999; or to change
- 16 the Detroit District Office to a station, residence post or
- 17 similarly modified office; or to reassign residence posts as-
- 18 signed to the Detroit District Office: Provided, That this
- 19 section shall not apply to Food and Drug Administration
- 20 field laboratory facilities or operations currently located
- 21 in Detroit, Michigan, except that field laboratory per-
- 22 sonnel shall be assigned to locations in the general vicinity
- 23 of Detroit, Michigan, pursuant to cooperative agreements
- 24 between the Food and Drug Administration and other lab-
- 25 oratory facilities associated with the State of Michigan.

- 1 Sec. 722. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
- 2 or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and
- 3 expenses of personnel who prepare or submit appropria-
- 4 tions language as part of the President's Budget submis-
- 5 sion to the Congress of the United States for programs
- 6 under the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Subcommit-
- 7 tees on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug
- 8 Administration, and Related Agencies that assumes reve-
- 9 nues or reflects a reduction from the previous year due
- 10 to user fees proposals that have not been enacted into law
- 11 prior to the submission of the Budget unless such Budget
- 12 submission identifies which additional spending reductions
- 13 should occur in the event the user fees proposals are not
- 14 enacted prior to the date of the convening of a committee
- 15 of conference for the fiscal year 2005 appropriations Act.
- 16 Sec. 723. None of the funds made available by this
- 17 Act or any other Act may be used to close or relocate a
- 18 State Rural Development office unless or until cost effec-
- 19 tiveness and enhancement of program delivery have been
- 20 determined.
- 21 Sec. 724. Of any shipments of commodities made
- 22 pursuant to section 416(b) of the Agricultural Act of 1949
- 23 (7 U.S.C. 1431(b)), the Secretary of Agriculture shall, to
- 24 the extent practicable, direct that tonnage equal in value
- 25 to not more than \$25,000,000 shall be made available to

- 1 foreign countries to assist in mitigating the effects of the
- 2 Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Acquired Immune
- 3 Deficiency Syndrome on communities, including the provi-
- 4 sion of—
- 5 (1) agricultural commodities to—
- 6 (A) individuals with Human Immuno-7 deficiency Virus or Acquired Immune Defi-
- 8 ciency Syndrome in the communities; and
- 9 (B) households in the communities, par-
- ticularly individuals caring for orphaned chil-
- dren; and
- 12 (2) agricultural commodities monetized to pro-
- vide other assistance (including assistance under
- microcredit and microenterprise programs) to create
- or restore sustainable livelihoods among individuals
- in the communities, particularly individuals caring
- for orphaned children.
- 18 Sec. 725. In addition to amounts otherwise appro-
- 19 priated or made available by this Act, \$2,981,000 is ap-
- 20 propriated for the purpose of providing Bill Emerson and
- 21 Mickey Leland Hunger Fellowships through the Congres-
- 22 sional Hunger Center.
- SEC. 726. Notwithstanding section 412 of the Agri-
- 24 cultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954
- 25 (7 U.S.C. 1736f), any balances available to carry out title

- 1 III of such Act as of the date of enactment of this Act,
- 2 and any recoveries and reimbursements that become avail-
- 3 able to carry out title III of such Act, may be used to
- 4 carry out title II of such Act.
- 5 Sec. 727. Section 375(e)(6)(B) of the Consolidated
- 6 Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
- $7 \ 2008j(e)(6)(B)$) is amended by striking "\$26,499,000"
- 8 and inserting "\$26,998,000".
- 9 Sec. 728. None of the funds made available in this
- 10 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-
- 11 strumentality of the United States Government, except
- 12 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
- 13 vided in, this Act or any other appropriation Act.
- 14 Sec. 729. None of the funds made available to the
- 15 Food and Drug Administration by this Act shall be used
- 16 to close or relocate, or to plan to close or relocate, the
- 17 Food and Drug Administration Division of Pharma-
- 18 ceutical Analysis in St. Louis, Missouri, outside the city
- 19 or county limits of St. Louis, Missouri.
- Sec. 730. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 21 law, of the funds made available in this Act for competitive
- 22 research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), the Secretary may use
- 23 up to 20 percent of the amount provided to carry out a
- 24 competitive grants program under the same terms and
- 25 conditions as those provided in section 401 of the Agricul-

- 1 tural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of
- 2 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7621).
- 3 Sec. 731. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 4 law, the Natural Resources Conservation Service shall pro-
- 5 vide financial and technical assistance through the Water-
- 6 shed and Flood Prevention Operations program to carry
- 7 out the Upper Tygart Valley Watershed project, West Vir-
- 8 ginia: Provided, That the Natural Resources Conservation
- 9 Service is authorized to provide 100 percent of the engi-
- 10 neering assistance and 75 percent cost share for installa-
- 11 tion of the water supply component of this project.
- 12 Sec. 732. Agencies and offices of the Department of
- 13 Agriculture may utilize any unobligated salaries and ex-
- 14 penses funds to reimburse the Office of the General Coun-
- 15 sel for salaries and expenses of personnel, and for other
- 16 related expenses, incurred in representing such agencies
- 17 and offices in the resolution of complaints by employees
- 18 or applicants for employment, and in cases and other mat-
- 19 ters pending before the Equal Employment Opportunity
- 20 Commission, the Federal Labor Relations Authority, or
- 21 the Merit Systems Protection Board with the prior ap-
- 22 proval of the Committees on Appropriations of both
- 23 Houses of Congress.
- SEC. 733. None of the funds appropriated or made
- 25 available by this Act or any other Act may be used to pay

- 1 the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out section
- 2 14(h)(1) of the Watershed Protection and Flood Preven-
- 3 tion Act (16 U.S.C. 1012(h)(1)).
- 4 Sec. 734. None of the funds appropriated or made
- 5 available by this Act, or any other Act, may be used to
- 6 pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out
- 7 subtitle I of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
- 8 ment Act (7 U.S.C. 2009dd through dd-7).
- 9 Sec. 735. None of the funds appropriated or made
- 10 available by this Act or any other Act may be used to pay
- 11 the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out section
- 12 6405 of Public Law 107–171 (7 U.S.C. 2655).
- 13 Sec. 736. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 14 law, the Natural Resources Conservation Service may pro-
- 15 vide financial and technical assistance through the Water-
- 16 shed and Flood Prevention Operations program for the
- 17 Kuhn Bayou and Ditch 26 Improvement projects in Ar-
- 18 kansas, the Matanuska River erosion control project in
- 19 Alaska, the DuPage County Sawmill Creek Watershed
- 20 project in Illinois, and the Coal Creek project in Utah.
- 21 Sec. 737. None of the funds made available in fiscal
- 22 year 2004 or preceding fiscal years for programs author-
- 23 ized under the Agricultural Trade Development and As-
- 24 sistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1691 et seq.) in excess
- 25 of \$20,000,000 shall be used to reimburse the Commodity

- 1 Credit Corporation for the release of eligible commodities
- 2 under section 302(f)(2)(A) of the Bill Emerson Humani-
- 3 tarian Trust Act (7 U.S.C. 1736f-1): Provided, That any
- 4 such funds made available to reimburse the Commodity
- 5 Credit Corporation shall only be used pursuant to section
- 6 302(b)(2)(B)(i) of the Bill Emerson Humanitarian Trust
- 7 Act.
- 8 Sec. 738. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 9 law, the Natural Resources Conservation Service may pro-
- 10 vide from appropriated funds financial and technical as-
- 11 sistance to the Dry Creek project, Utah.
- 12 Sec. 739. The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized
- 13 to permit employees of the United States Department of
- 14 Agriculture to carry and use firearms for personal protec-
- 15 tion while conducting field work in remote locations in the
- 16 performance of their official duties.
- 17 Sec. 740. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 18 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
- 19 salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out the provi-
- 20 sions of sections 7404(a)(1) and 7404(c)(1) of Public Law
- 21 107–171.
- Sec. 741. Of the funds made available under section
- 23 27(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et
- 24 seq.), the Secretary may use up to \$10,000,000 for costs
- 25 associated with the distribution of commodities.

- 1 Sec. 742. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 2 wise made available by this Act or any other Act shall
- 3 be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to
- 4 enroll in excess of 189,144 acres in the calendar year 2004
- 5 wetlands reserve program as authorized by 16 U.S.C.
- 6 3837.
- 7 Sec. 743. Notwithstanding subsections (c) and (e)(2)
- 8 of section 313A of the Rural Electrification Act (7 U.S.C.
- 9 940c(c) and (e)(2)) in implementing section 313A of that
- 10 Act, the Secretary shall, with the consent of the lender,
- 11 structure the schedule for payment of the annual fee, not
- 12 to exceed an average of 30 basis points per year for the
- 13 term of the loan, to ensure that sufficient funds are avail-
- 14 able to pay the subsidy costs for note guarantees under
- 15 that section.
- Sec. 744. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 17 wise made available by this Act or any other Act shall
- 18 be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to
- 19 carry out a ground and surface water conservation pro-
- 20 gram authorized by section 2301 of Public Law 107–171,
- 21 the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, in
- 22 excess of \$51,000,000.
- Sec. 745. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 24 wise made available by this Act or any other Act shall
- 25 be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to

- 1 carry out section 2502 of Public Law 107–171, the Farm
- 2 Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, in excess of
- 3 \$42,000,000.
- 4 Sec. 746. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 5 wise made available by this Act or any other Act shall
- 6 be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to
- 7 carry out section 2503 of Public Law 107–171, the Farm
- 8 Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, in excess of
- 9 \$112,044,000.
- Sec. 747. There is hereby appropriated \$3,000,000
- 11 to carry out section 6028 of Public Law 107–171, the
- 12 Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002: Pro-
- 13 vided, That notwithstanding section 383B(g)(1) of the
- 14 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
- 15 2009bb-1(g)(1)), the Federal share of the administrative
- 16 expenses of the Northern Great Plains Regional Authority
- 17 for fiscal year 2004 shall be 100 percent.
- 18 Sec. 748. None of the funds appropriated or made
- 19 available by this Act or any other Act may be used to pay
- 20 the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out section
- 21 6029 of Public Law 107-171, the Farm Security and
- 22 Rural Investment Act of 2002: Provided, That this section
- 23 shall not apply to activities related to the promulgation
- 24 of regulations or the receipt and review of applications for
- 25 the Rural Business Investment Program.

- 1 Sec. 749. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 2 wise made available by this Act or any other Act shall
- 3 be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to
- 4 carry out section 6103 of Public Law 107–171, the Farm
- 5 Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
- 6 Sec. 750. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 7 wise made available by this Act or any other Act shall
- 8 be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to
- 9 carry out section 9006 of Public Law 107–171, the Farm
- 10 Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
- 11 Sec. 751. Agencies and offices of the Department of
- 12 Agriculture may utilize any available discretionary funds
- 13 to cover the costs of preparing, or contracting for the
- 14 preparation of, final agency decisions regarding com-
- 15 plaints of discrimination in employment or program activi-
- 16 ties arising within such agencies and offices.
- 17 Sec. 752. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 18 law, for any fiscal year, in the case of a high cost isolated
- 19 rural area that is not connected to a road system in Alas-
- 20 ka, the maximum level for the single family housing assist-
- 21 ance shall be 150 percent of the average income level in
- 22 the metropolitan areas of the State and 115 percent of
- 23 all other eligible areas of the State.

- 1 Sec. 753. Any unobligated balances in the Alter-
- 2 native Agricultural Research and Commercialization Re-
- 3 volving Fund are hereby rescinded.
- 4 Sec. 754. There is hereby appropriated \$2,000,000,
- 5 to remain available until expended, for the Denali Com-
- 6 mission to address deficiencies in solid waste disposal sites
- 7 which threaten to contaminate rural drinking water sup-
- 8 plies.
- 9 Sec. 755. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 10 law, the Secretary shall consider the City of Vicksburg,
- 11 Mississippi; the City of Aberdeen, South Dakota; and the
- 12 City of Starkville, Mississippi as meeting the requirements
- 13 of a rural area contained in section 520 of the Housing
- 14 Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490) until receipt of the decen-
- 15 nial Census for the year 2010.
- 16 Sec. 756. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 17 law, the Secretary shall consider the City of Berlin, New
- 18 Hampshire, to be eligible for loans and grants provided
- 19 through the Rural Community Advancement Program
- 20 until receipt of the decennial Census in the year 2010.
- SEC. 757. None of the funds made available in this
- 22 Act or any other Act may be used to study or enter into
- 23 a contract with a private party to carry out, without spe-
- 24 cific authorization in a subsequent Act of Congress, a com-
- 25 petitive sourcing activity of the Secretary of Agriculture,

- 1 including support personnel of the Department of Agri-
- 2 culture, relating to rural development or farm loan pro-
- 3 grams, animal disease research, or grant review or man-
- 4 agement activities.
- 5 SEC. 758. Section 501(b)(5)(B) of the Housing Act
- 6 of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1471(b)(5)(B) is amended by striking
- 7 "for fiscal years 2002 and 2003,".
- 8 Sec. 759. Agricultural Management Assist-
- 9 ANCE. Section 524(b)(1) of the Federal Crop Insurance
- 10 Act (7 U.S.C. 1524(b)(1)) is amended—
- 11 (1) by striking "financial assistance to pro-
- ducers in" and inserting "grants to"; and
- 13 (2) by inserting before the period at the end the
- following: "which shall use the grants to provide fi-
- 15 nancial assistance to producers for uses described in
- paragraph (2)".
- 17 Sec. 760. Travel Relating to Commercial
- 18 Sales of Agricultural and Medical Goods. Section
- 19 910(a) of the Trade Sanctions Reform And Export En-
- 20 hancement Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7209(a)) is amended
- 21 to read as follows:
- 22 "(a) Authorization of Travel Relating to
- 23 Commercial Sales of Agricultural and Medical
- 24 Goods.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall promulgate
- 25 regulations under which the travel-related transactions

- 1 listed in paragraph (c) of section 515.560 of title 31, Code
- 2 of Federal Regulations, are authorized by general license
- 3 for travel to, from, or within Cuba for the purpose of con-
- 4 ferring, exhibiting, marketing, planning, sales negotiation,
- 5 delivery, expediting, facilitating, or servicing commercial
- 6 export sale of agricultural and medical goods pursuant to
- 7 the provisions of this title.".
- 8 This Act may be cited as the "Agriculture, Rural De-
- 9 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
- 10 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004".

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A BILL

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

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