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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, 2016, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 16, 2015

Mr. MORAN, 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, 2016, 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, 2016, and for other purposes,
2 namely:

3 TITLE I

4 AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS

5 PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND MARKETING

6 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary,
9 \$46,055,000, of which not to exceed \$5,051,000 shall be
10 available for the immediate Office of the Secretary; not
11 to exceed \$502,000 shall be available for the Office of
12 Tribal Relations; not to exceed \$250,000 shall be available
13 for the Military Veterans Agricultural Liaison; not to ex-
14 ceed \$1,496,000 shall be available for the Office of Home-
15 land Security and Emergency Coordination; not to exceed
16 \$1,209,000 shall be available for the Office of Advocacy
17 and Outreach; not to exceed \$25,928,000 shall be avail-
18 able for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Adminis-
19 tration, of which \$25,124,000 shall be available for De-
20 partmental Administration to provide for necessary ex-
21 penses for management support services to offices of the
22 Department and for general administration, security, re-
23 pairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies
24 and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for
25 the practical and efficient work of the Department; not

1 to exceed \$3,869,000 shall be available for the Office of
2 Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations to carry
3 out the programs funded by this Act, including programs
4 involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison within the
5 executive branch; and not to exceed \$7,750,000 shall be
6 available for the Office of Communications: *Provided*,
7 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to transfer
8 funds appropriated for any office of the Office of the Sec-
9 retary to any other office of the Office of the Secretary:
10 *Provided further*, That no appropriation for any office
11 shall be increased or decreased by more than 5 percent:
12 *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$11,000 of the
13 amount made available under this paragraph for the im-
14 mediate Office of the Secretary shall be available for offi-
15 cial reception and representation expenses, not otherwise
16 provided for, as determined by the Secretary: *Provided*
17 *further*, That the amount made available under this head-
18 ing for Departmental Administration shall be reimbursed
19 from applicable appropriations in this Act for travel ex-
20 penses incident to the holding of hearings as required by
21 5 U.S.C. 551–558: *Provided further*, That funds made
22 available under this heading for the Office of the Assistant
23 Secretary for Congressional Relations may be transferred
24 to agencies of the Department of Agriculture funded by
25 this Act to maintain personnel at the agency level: *Pro-*

1 *vided further*, That no funds made available under this
2 heading for the Office of Assistant Secretary for Congres-
3 sional Relations may be obligated after 30 days from the
4 date of enactment of this Act, unless the Secretary has
5 notified the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses
6 of Congress on the allocation of these funds by USDA
7 agency.

8 EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

9 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ECONOMIST

10 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief
11 Economist, \$16,777,000, of which \$4,000,000 shall be for
12 grants or cooperative agreements for policy research under
13 7 U.S.C. 3155.

14 NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION

15 For necessary expenses of the National Appeals Divi-
16 sion, \$13,317,000.

17 OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

18 For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and
19 Program Analysis, \$9,392,000.

20 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

21 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief In-
22 formation Officer, \$45,045,000, of which not less than
23 \$28,000,000 is for cybersecurity requirements of the De-
24 partment.

1 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi-
3 nancial Officer, \$6,028,000.

4 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CIVIL
5 RIGHTS

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Assistant
7 Secretary for Civil Rights, \$898,000.

8 OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

9 For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights,
10 \$24,070,000.

11 AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

13 For payment of space rental and related costs pursu-
14 ant to Public Law 92–313, including authorities pursuant
15 to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Adminis-
16 trator of General Services to the Department of Agri-
17 culture under 40 U.S.C. 121, for programs and activities
18 of the Department which are included in this Act, and for
19 alterations and other actions needed for the Department
20 and its agencies to consolidate unneeded space into con-
21 figurations suitable for release to the Administrator of
22 General Services, and for the operation, maintenance, im-
23 provement, and repair of Agriculture buildings and facili-
24 ties, and for related costs, \$53,618,000, to remain avail-
25 able until expended, for buildings operations and mainte-

1 nance expenses: *Provided*, That the Secretary may use un-
2 obligated prior year balances of an agency or office that
3 are no longer available for new obligation to cover short-
4 falls incurred in prior or current year rental payments for
5 such agency or office.

6 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

8 For necessary expenses of the Department of Agri-
9 culture, to comply with the Comprehensive Environmental
10 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C.
11 9601 et seq.) and the Resource Conservation and Recovery
12 Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.), \$3,618,000, to remain avail-
13 able until expended: *Provided*, That appropriations and
14 funds available herein to the Department for Hazardous
15 Materials Management may be transferred to any agency
16 of the Department for its use in meeting all requirements
17 pursuant to the above Acts on Federal and non-Federal
18 lands.

19 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

20 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
21 General, including employment pursuant to the Inspector
22 General Act of 1978, \$95,294,000, including such sums
23 as may be necessary for contracting and other arrange-
24 ments with public agencies and private persons pursuant
25 to section 6(a)(9) of the Inspector General Act of 1978,

1 and including not to exceed \$125,000 for certain confiden-
2 tial operational expenses, including the payment of inform-
3 ants, to be expended under the direction of the Inspector
4 General pursuant to Public Law 95-452 and section 1337
5 of Public Law 97-98.

6 OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

7 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General
8 Counsel, \$44,383,000.

9 OFFICE OF ETHICS

10 For necessary expenses of the Office of Ethics,
11 \$3,654,000.

12 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH,

13 EDUCATION, AND ECONOMICS

14 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
15 Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics,
16 \$898,000.

17 ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

18 For necessary expenses of the Economic Research
19 Service, \$85,373,000.

20 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

21 For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural
22 Statistics Service, \$168,108,000, of which up to
23 \$41,842,000 shall be available until expended for the Cen-
24 sus of Agriculture: *Provided*, That amounts made available
25 for the Census of Agriculture may be used to conduct Cur-

1 rent Industrial Report surveys subject to 7 U.S.C.
2 2204g(d) and (f).

3 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Research
6 Service and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange,
7 or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100, and
8 for land exchanges where the lands exchanged shall be of
9 equal value or shall be equalized by a payment of money
10 to the grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent of the
11 total value of the land or interests transferred out of Fed-
12 eral ownership, \$1,136,825,000: *Provided*, That appro-
13 priations hereunder shall be available for the operation
14 and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to
15 exceed one for replacement only: *Provided further*, That
16 appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7
17 U.S.C. 2250 for the construction, alteration, and repair
18 of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise pro-
19 vided, the cost of constructing any one building shall not
20 exceed \$375,000, except for headhouses or greenhouses
21 which shall each be limited to \$1,200,000, and except for
22 10 buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not
23 to exceed \$750,000 each, and the cost of altering any one
24 building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent
25 of the current replacement value of the building or

1 \$375,000, whichever is greater: *Provided further*, That the
2 limitations on alterations contained in this Act shall not
3 apply to modernization or replacement of existing facilities
4 at Beltsville, Maryland: *Provided further*, That appropria-
5 tions hereunder shall be available for granting easements
6 at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center: *Provided*
7 *further*, That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to
8 replacement of buildings needed to carry out the Act of
9 April 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): *Provided further*, That
10 appropriations hereunder shall be available for granting
11 easements at any Agricultural Research Service location
12 for the construction of a research facility by a non-Federal
13 entity for use by, and acceptable to, the Agricultural Re-
14 search Service and a condition of the easements shall be
15 that upon completion the facility shall be accepted by the
16 Secretary, subject to the availability of funds herein, if the
17 Secretary finds that acceptance of the facility is in the
18 interest of the United States: *Provided further*, That funds
19 may be received from any State, other political subdivi-
20 sion, organization, or individual for the purpose of estab-
21 lishing or operating any research facility or research
22 project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized
23 by law.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
2 RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

3 For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for
4 cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and
5 for other expenses, \$791,096,000, which shall be for the
6 purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table titled
7 “National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Research
8 and Education Activities” in the report accompanying this
9 Act: *Provided*, That funds for research grants for 1994
10 institutions, education grants for 1890 institutions, capac-
11 ity building for non-land-grant colleges of agriculture, the
12 agriculture and food research initiative, veterinary medi-
13 cine loan repayment, multicultural scholars, graduate fel-
14 lowship and institution challenge grants, and grants man-
15 agement systems shall remain available until expended:
16 *Provided further*, That each institution eligible to receive
17 funds under the Evans-Allen program receives no less
18 than \$1,000,000: *Provided further*, That funds for edu-
19 cation grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-
20 serving institutions be made available to individual eligible
21 institutions or consortia of eligible institutions with funds
22 awarded equally to each of the States of Alaska and Ha-
23 waii: *Provided further*, That funds for education grants for
24 1890 institutions shall be made available to institutions
25 eligible to receive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222:

1 *Provided further*, That not more than 5 percent of the
 2 amounts made available by this or any other Act to carry
 3 out the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative under
 4 7 U.S.C. 450i(b) may be retained by the Secretary of Ag-
 5 riculture to pay administrative costs incurred by the Sec-
 6 retary in carrying out that authority.

7 HISPANIC-SERVING AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES AND
 8 UNIVERSITIES ENDOWMENT FUND

9 For the Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and
 10 Universities Endowment Fund under section 1456(b) (7
 11 U.S.C. 3243(b)) of the National Agricultural Research,
 12 Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, \$10,000,000,
 13 to remain available until expended.

14 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

15 For the Native American Institutions Endowment
 16 Fund authorized by Public Law 103–382 (7 U.S.C. 301
 17 note), \$11,880,000, to remain available until expended.

18 EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

19 For payments to States, the District of Columbia,
 20 Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, the
 21 Northern Marianas, and American Samoa, \$488,891,000,
 22 which shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, speci-
 23 fied in the table titled “National Institute of Food and
 24 Agriculture, Extension Activities” in the report accom-
 25 panying this Act: *Provided*, That funds for facility im-

1 ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For necessary expenses of the Animal and Plant
5 Health Inspection Service, including up to \$30,000 for
6 representation allowances and for expenses pursuant to
7 the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4085),
8 \$876,465,000, of which \$470,000, to remain available
9 until expended, shall be available for the control of out-
10 breaks of insects, plant diseases, animal diseases and for
11 control of pest animals and birds (“contingency fund”) to
12 the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions; of
13 which \$11,520,000, to remain available until expended,
14 shall be used for the cotton pests program for cost share
15 purposes or for debt retirement for active eradication
16 zones; of which \$35,339,000, to remain available until ex-
17 pended, shall be for Animal Health Technical Services; of
18 which \$697,000 shall be for activities under the authority
19 of the Horse Protection Act of 1970, as amended (15
20 U.S.C. 1831); of which \$52,340,000, to remain available
21 until expended, shall be used to support avian health; of
22 which \$4,251,000, to remain available until expended,
23 shall be for information technology infrastructure; of
24 which \$156,000,000, to remain available until expended,
25 shall be for specialty crop pests; of which, \$8,826,000, to

1 remain available until expended, shall be for field crop and
2 rangeland ecosystem pests; of which \$54,000,000, to re-
3 main available until expended, shall be for tree and wood
4 pests; of which \$3,973,000, to remain available until ex-
5 pended, shall be for the National Veterinary Stockpile; of
6 which up to \$1,500,000, to remain available until ex-
7 pended, shall be for the scrapie program for indemnities;
8 of which \$1,500,000, to remain available until expended,
9 shall be for the wildlife damage management program for
10 aviation safety: *Provided*, That of amounts available under
11 this heading for wildlife services methods development,
12 \$1,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *Pro-*
13 *vided further*, That of amounts available under this head-
14 ing for the screwworm program, \$4,990,000 shall remain
15 available until expended: *Provided further*, That no funds
16 shall be used to formulate or administer a brucellosis
17 eradication program for the current fiscal year that does
18 not require minimum matching by the States of at least
19 40 percent: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall
20 be available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft
21 and the purchase of not to exceed four, of which two shall
22 be for replacement only: *Provided further*, That in addi-
23 tion, in emergencies which threaten any segment of the
24 agricultural production industry of this country, the Sec-
25 retary may transfer from other appropriations or funds

1 available to the agencies or corporations of the Depart-
2 ment such sums as may be deemed necessary, to be avail-
3 able only in such emergencies for the arrest and eradi-
4 cation of contagious or infectious disease or pests of ani-
5 mals, poultry, or plants, and for expenses in accordance
6 with sections 10411 and 10417 of the Animal Health Pro-
7 tection Act (7 U.S.C. 8310 and 8316) and sections 431
8 and 442 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7751 and
9 7772), and any unexpended balances of funds transferred
10 for such emergency purposes in the preceding fiscal year
11 shall be merged with such transferred amounts: *Provided*
12 *further*, That appropriations hereunder shall be available
13 pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alter-
14 ation of leased buildings and improvements, but unless
15 otherwise provided the cost of altering any one building
16 during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the
17 current replacement value of the building.

18 In fiscal year 2016, the agency is authorized to collect
19 fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assist-
20 ance, goods, or services requested by States, other political
21 subdivisions, domestic and international organizations,
22 foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such
23 fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such
24 fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods,
25 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such

1 fees shall be reimbursed to this account, to remain avail-
 2 able until expended, without further appropriation, for
 3 providing such assistance, goods, or services.

4 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

5 For plans, construction, repair, preventive mainte-
 6 nance, environmental support, improvement, extension, al-
 7 teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as
 8 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as
 9 authorized by 7 U.S.C. 428a, \$3,175,000, to remain avail-
 10 able until expended.

11 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

12 MARKETING SERVICES

13 For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Marketing
 14 Service, \$81,192,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation
 15 shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the
 16 alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but
 17 the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year
 18 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement
 19 value of the building.

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

23 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

24 Not to exceed \$60,982,000 (from fees collected) shall
 25 be obligated during the current fiscal year for administra-

1 tive expenses: *Provided*, That if crop size is understated
2 and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may
3 exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification
4 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of
5 Congress.

6 FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND
7 SUPPLY (SECTION 32)
8 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

9 Funds available under section 32 of the Act of Au-
10 gust 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), shall be used only for com-
11 modity program expenses as authorized therein, and other
12 related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the
13 Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and
14 Wildlife Act of August 8, 1956; (2) transfers otherwise
15 provided in this Act; and (3) not more than \$20,489,000
16 for formulation and administration of marketing agree-
17 ments and orders pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing
18 Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural Act of 1961.

19 PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

20 For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus
21 and departments of markets, and similar agencies for
22 marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul-
23 tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)),
24 \$1,235,000.

1 GRAIN INSPECTION, PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS

2 ADMINISTRATION

3 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

4 For necessary expenses of the Grain Inspection,
5 Packers and Stockyards Administration, \$43,048,000:
6 *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available pursu-
7 ant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair
8 of buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering
9 any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed
10 10 percent of the current replacement value of the build-
11 ing.

12 LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES

13 EXPENSES

14 Not to exceed \$55,000,000 (from fees collected) shall
15 be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection
16 and weighing services: *Provided*, That if grain export ac-
17 tivities require additional supervision and oversight, or
18 other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be
19 exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Com-
20 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

21 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD SAFETY

22 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
23 Secretary for Food Safety, \$816,000.

1 FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

2 For necessary expenses to carry out services author-
3 ized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry
4 Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection
5 Act, including not to exceed \$50,000 for representation
6 allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the
7 Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),
8 \$1,013,621,000; and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be cred-
9 ited to this account from fees collected for the cost of lab-
10 oratory accreditation as authorized by section 1327 of the
11 Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990
12 (7 U.S.C. 138f): *Provided*, That funds provided for the
13 Public Health Data Communication Infrastructure system
14 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*,
15 That no fewer than 148 full-time equivalent positions shall
16 be employed during fiscal year 2016 for purposes dedi-
17 cated solely to inspections and enforcement related to the
18 Humane Methods of Slaughter Act: *Provided further*, That
19 the Food Safety and Inspection Service shall continue im-
20 plementation of section 11016 of Public Law 110–246 as
21 further clarified by the amendments made in section
22 12106 of Public Law 113–79: *Provided further*, That this
23 appropriation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C.
24 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings and im-
25 provements, but the cost of altering any one building dur-

1 ing the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the cur-
2 rent replacement value of the building.

3 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM AND
4 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
6 Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services,
7 \$898,000.

8 FARM SERVICE AGENCY

9 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

11 For necessary expenses of the Farm Service Agency,
12 \$1,180,391,000: *Provided*, That not more than 50 percent
13 of the \$112,575,000 made available under this heading
14 for information technology related to farm program deliv-
15 ery, including the Modernize and Innovate the Delivery of
16 Agricultural Systems (MIDAS) and other farm program
17 delivery systems, may be obligated until the Secretary sub-
18 mits to the Committees on Appropriations a plan for ex-
19 penditure that (1) identifies for each project/investment
20 over \$25,000 (a) the functional and performance capabili-
21 ties to be delivered and the mission benefits to be realized,
22 (b) the estimated lifecycle cost, including estimates for de-
23 velopment as well as maintenance and operations, and (c)
24 key milestones to be met; (2) demonstrates that each
25 project/investment is, (a) consistent with the Farm Service

1 Agency Information Technology Roadmap, (b) being man-
2 aged in accordance with applicable lifecycle management
3 policies and guidance, and (c) subject to the applicable De-
4 partment's capital planning and investment control re-
5 quirements; and (3) has been submitted to the Govern-
6 ment Accountability Office: *Provided further*, That the
7 agency shall submit a report by the end of the fourth quar-
8 ter of fiscal year 2016 to the Committees on Appropria-
9 tions and the Government Accountability Office, that iden-
10 tifies for each project/investment that is operational (a)
11 current performance against key indicators of customer
12 satisfaction, (b) current performance of service level agree-
13 ments or other technical metrics, (c) current performance
14 against a pre-established cost baseline, (d) a detailed
15 breakdown of current and planned spending on oper-
16 ational enhancements or upgrades, and (e) an assessment
17 of whether the investment continues to meet business
18 needs as intended as well as alternatives to the investment:
19 *Provided further*, That the Secretary is authorized to use
20 the services, facilities, and authorities (but not the funds)
21 of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make program
22 payments for all programs administered by the Agency:
23 *Provided further*, That other funds made available to the
24 Agency for authorized activities may be advanced to and
25 merged with this account: *Provided further*, That funds

1 made available to county committees shall remain avail-
 2 able until expended: *Provided further*, That none of the
 3 funds available to the Farm Service Agency shall be used
 4 to close Farm Service Agency county offices: *Provided fur-*
 5 *ther*, That none of the funds available to the Farm Service
 6 Agency shall be used to permanently relocate county based
 7 employees that would result in an office with two or fewer
 8 employees without prior notification and approval of the
 9 Committees on Appropriations.

10 STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

11 For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricul-
 12 tural Credit Act of 1987, as amended (7 U.S.C. 5101-
 13 5106), \$3,404,000.

14 GRASSROOTS SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM

15 For necessary expenses to carry out wellhead or
 16 groundwater protection activities under section 12400 of
 17 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839bb-2),
 18 \$6,000,000, to remain available until expended.

19 DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

21 For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity
 22 payments to dairy farmers and manufacturers of dairy
 23 products under a dairy indemnity program, such sums as
 24 may be necessary, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
 25 *vided*, That such program is carried out by the Secretary

1 in the same manner as the dairy indemnity program de-
 2 scribed in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and
 3 Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropria-
 4 tions Act, 2001 (Public Law 106–387, 114 Stat. 1549A–
 5 12).

6 AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM

7 ACCOUNT

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

9 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
 10 rect and guaranteed farm ownership (7 U.S.C. 1922 et
 11 seq.) and operating (7 U.S.C. 1941 et seq.) loans, emer-
 12 gency loans (7 U.S.C. 1961 et seq.), Indian tribe land ac-
 13 quisition loans (25 U.S.C. 488), boll weevil loans (7
 14 U.S.C. 1989), guaranteed conservation loans (7 U.S.C.
 15 1924 et seq.), and Indian highly fractionated land loans
 16 (25 U.S.C. 488) to be available from funds in the Agricul-
 17 tural Credit Insurance Fund, as follows: \$2,000,000,000
 18 for guaranteed farm ownership loans and \$1,500,000,000
 19 for farm ownership direct loans; \$1,393,443,000 for un-
 20 subsidized guaranteed operating loans and
 21 \$1,252,004,000 for direct operating loans; emergency
 22 loans, \$34,667,000; Indian tribe land acquisition loans,
 23 \$2,000,000; guaranteed conservation loans,
 24 \$150,000,000; Indian highly fractionated land loans,
 25 \$10,000,000; and for boll weevil eradication program

1 loans, \$60,000,000: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall
2 deem the pink bollworm to be a boll weevil for the purpose
3 of boll weevil eradication program loans.

4 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans and
5 grants, including the cost of modifying loans as defined
6 in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,
7 as follows: farm operating loans, \$53,961,000 for direct
8 operating loans, \$14,352,000 for unsubsidized guaranteed
9 operating loans, and emergency loans, \$1,262,000, to re-
10 main available until expended.

11 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
12 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
13 \$314,918,000, of which \$306,998,000 shall be transferred
14 to and merged with the appropriation for “Farm Service
15 Agency, Salaries and Expenses”.

16 Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural
17 Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership,
18 operating and conservation direct loans and guaranteed
19 loans may be transferred among these programs: *Pro-*
20 *vided*, That the Committees on Appropriations of both
21 Houses of Congress are notified at least 15 days in ad-
22 vance of any transfer.

1 RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses of the Risk Management
4 Agency, \$74,829,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed
5 \$1,000 shall be available for official reception and rep-
6 resentation expenses, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1506(i).

7 CORPORATIONS

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

18 FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

19 For payments as authorized by section 516 of the
20 Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1516), such sums
21 as may be necessary, to remain available until expended.

1 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND
2 REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For the current fiscal year, such sums as may be nec-
5 essary to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for
6 net realized losses sustained, but not previously reim-
7 bursed, pursuant to section 2 of the Act of August 17,
8 1961 (15 U.S.C. 713a–11): *Provided*, That of the funds
9 available to the Commodity Credit Corporation under sec-
10 tion 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act
11 (15 U.S.C. 714i) for the conduct of its business with the
12 Foreign Agricultural Service, up to \$5,000,000 may be
13 transferred to and used by the Foreign Agricultural Serv-
14 ice for information resource management activities of the
15 Foreign Agricultural Service that are not related to Com-
16 modity Credit Corporation business.

17 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT
18 (LIMITATION ON EXPENSES)

19 For the current fiscal year, the Commodity Credit
20 Corporation shall not expend more than \$5,000,000 for
21 site investigation and cleanup expenses, and operations
22 and maintenance expenses to comply with the requirement
23 of section 107(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental
24 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C.

1 9607(g)), and section 6001 of the Resource Conservation
2 and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 6961).

3 TITLE II

4 CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

5 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL
6 RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

7 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
8 Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment,
9 \$898,000.

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-

1 ation or improvement of permanent and temporary build-
2 ings; and operation and maintenance of aircraft,
3 \$855,209,000, to remain available until September 30,
4 2017: *Provided*, That appropriations hereunder shall be
5 available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for construction and
6 improvement of buildings and public improvements at
7 plant materials centers, except that the cost of alterations
8 and improvements to other buildings and other public im-
9 provements shall not exceed \$250,000: *Provided further*,
10 That when buildings or other structures are erected on
11 non-Federal land, that the right to use such land is ob-
12 tained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a: *Provided further*,
13 That of the amounts made available under this heading,
14 \$5,600,000, shall remain available until expended for the
15 authorities under 16 U.S.C. 1001–1005 and 1007–1009
16 for authorized ongoing watershed projects with a primary
17 purpose of providing water to rural communities: *Provided*
18 *further*, That of the amounts made available under this
19 heading, \$5,000,000 shall remain available until expended
20 for the authorities under section 13 of the Flood Control
21 Act of December 22, 1944 (Public Law 78–534) for au-
22 thorized ongoing projects with a primary purpose of water-
23 shed protection by stabilizing stream channels, tributaries,
24 and banks to reduce erosion and sediment transport.

1 TITLE III
2 RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
3 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL
4 DEVELOPMENT

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
6 Secretary for Rural Development, \$898,000.

7 RURAL DEVELOPMENT SALARIES AND EXPENSES
8 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

9 For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-
10 tration and implementation of programs in the Rural De-
11 velopment mission area, including activities with institu-
12 tions concerning the development and operation of agricul-
13 tural cooperatives; and for cooperative agreements;
14 \$228,701,000: *Provided*, That no less than \$19,500,000
15 shall be for the Comprehensive Loan Accounting System:
16 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provi-
17 sion of law, funds appropriated under this heading may
18 be used for advertising and promotional activities that
19 support the Rural Development mission area: *Provided*
20 *further*, That any balances available from prior years for
21 the Rural Utilities Service, Rural Housing Service, and
22 the Rural Business–Cooperative Service salaries and ex-
23 penses accounts shall be transferred to and merged with
24 this appropriation.

1 RURAL HOUSING SERVICE
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: \$900,000,000
8 shall be for direct loans and \$24,000,000,000 shall be for
9 unsubsidized guaranteed loans; \$26,278,000 for section
10 504 housing repair loans; \$28,398,000 for section 515
11 rental housing; \$200,000,000 for section 538 guaranteed
12 multi-family housing loans; \$10,000,000 for credit sales
13 of single family housing acquired property; \$5,000,000 for
14 section 523 self-help housing land development loans; and
15 \$5,000,000 for section 524 site development loans.

16 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including
17 the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of
18 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section
19 502 loans, \$60,750,000 shall be for direct loans; section
20 504 housing repair loans, \$3,424,000; and repair, rehabili-
21 tation, and new construction of section 515 rental housing,
22 \$8,414,000: *Provided*, That to support the loan program
23 level for section 538 guaranteed loans made available
24 under this heading the Secretary may charge or adjust
25 any fees to cover the projected cost of such loan guaran-

tees pursuant to the provisions of the Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), and the interest on such loans may not be subsidized: *Provided further*, That applicants in communities that have a current rural area waiver under section 541 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490q) shall be treated as living in a rural area for purposes of section 502 guaranteed loans provided under this heading: *Provided further*, That of the amounts available under this paragraph for section 502 direct loans, no less than \$5,000,000 shall be available for direct loans for individuals whose homes will be built pursuant to a program funded with a mutual and self-help housing grant authorized by section 523 of the Housing Act of 1949 until June 1, 2016.

In addition, for the cost of direct loans, grants, and contracts, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1484 and 1486, \$15,053,000, to remain available until expended, for direct farm labor housing loans and domestic farm labor housing grants and contracts: *Provided*, That any balances available for the Farm Labor Program Account shall be transferred to and merged with this account.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$415,100,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the

1 appropriation for “Rural Development, Salaries and Ex-
2 penses”.

3 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

4 For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-
5 newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)
6 or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or
7 payments for eligible households as authorized by section
8 502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949,
9 \$1,167,000,000; and, in addition, such sums as may be
10 necessary, as authorized by section 521(c) of the Act, to
11 liquidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry
12 out the rental assistance program under section 521(a)(2)
13 of the Act: *Provided*, That rental assistance agreements
14 entered into or renewed during the current fiscal year
15 shall be funded for a 1-year period: *Provided further*, That
16 rental assistance contracts will not be renewed within the
17 12-month contract period: *Provided further*, That any un-
18 expended balances remaining at the end of such 1-year
19 agreements may be transferred and used for the purposes
20 of any debt reduction; maintenance, repair, or rehabilita-
21 tion of any existing projects; preservation; and rental as-
22 sistance activities authorized under title V of the Act: *Pro-*
23 *vided further*, That rental assistance provided under agree-
24 ments entered into prior to fiscal year 2016 for a farm
25 labor multi-family housing project financed under section

1 514 or 516 of the Act may not be recaptured for use in
2 another project until such assistance has remained unused
3 for a period of 12 consecutive months, if such project has
4 a waiting list of tenants seeking such assistance or the
5 project has rental assistance eligible tenants who are not
6 receiving such assistance: *Provided further*, That such re-
7 captured rental assistance shall, to the extent practicable,
8 be applied to another farm labor multi-family housing
9 project financed under section 514 or 516 of the Act.

10 MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

11 ACCOUNT

12 For the rural housing voucher program as authorized
13 under section 542 of the Housing Act of 1949, but not-
14 withstanding subsection (b) of such section, and for addi-
15 tional costs to conduct a demonstration program for the
16 preservation and revitalization of multi-family rental hous-
17 ing properties described in this paragraph, \$24,000,000,
18 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the
19 funds made available under this heading, \$7,000,000,
20 shall be available for rural housing vouchers to any low-
21 income household (including those not receiving rental as-
22 sistance) residing in a property financed with a section
23 515 loan which has been prepaid after September 30,
24 2005: *Provided further*, That the amount of such voucher
25 shall be the difference between comparable market rent

1 for the section 515 unit and the tenant paid rent for such
2 unit: *Provided further*, That funds made available for such
3 vouchers shall be subject to the availability of annual ap-
4 propriations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall,
5 to the maximum extent practicable, administer such
6 vouchers with current regulations and administrative guid-
7 ance applicable to section 8 housing vouchers administered
8 by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban
9 Development: *Provided further*, That if the Secretary de-
10 termines that the amount made available for vouchers in
11 this or any other Act is not needed for vouchers, the Sec-
12 retary may use such funds for the demonstration program
13 for the preservation and revitalization of multi-family
14 rental housing properties described in this paragraph: *Pro-*
15 *vided further*, That of the funds made available under this
16 heading, \$17,000,000 shall be available for a demonstra-
17 tion program for the preservation and revitalization of the
18 sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family rental housing
19 properties to restructure existing USDA multi-family
20 housing loans, as the Secretary deems appropriate, ex-
21 pressly for the purposes of ensuring the project has suffi-
22 cient resources to preserve the project for the purpose of
23 providing safe and affordable housing for low-income resi-
24 dents and farm laborers including reducing or eliminating
25 interest; deferring loan payments, subordinating, reducing

1 or reamortizing loan debt; and other financial assistance
2 including advances, payments and incentives (including
3 the ability of owners to obtain reasonable returns on in-
4 vestment) required by the Secretary: *Provided further,*
5 That the Secretary shall as part of the preservation and
6 revitalization agreement obtain a restrictive use agreement
7 consistent with the terms of the restructuring: *Provided*
8 *further,* That if the Secretary determines that additional
9 funds for vouchers described in this paragraph are needed,
10 funds for the preservation and revitalization demonstra-
11 tion program may be used for such vouchers: *Provided fur-*
12 *ther,* That if Congress enacts legislation to permanently
13 authorize a multi-family rental housing loan restructuring
14 program similar to the demonstration program described
15 herein, the Secretary may use funds made available for
16 the demonstration program under this heading to carry
17 out such legislation with the prior approval of the Commit-
18 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: *Pro-*
19 *vided further,* That in addition to any other available
20 funds, the Secretary may expend not more than
21 \$1,000,000 total, from the program funds made available
22 under this heading, for administrative expenses for activi-
23 ties funded under this heading.

1 MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

2 For grants and contracts pursuant to section
3 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C.
4 1490c), \$27,500,000, to remain available until expended.

5 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

6 For grants for very low-income housing repair and
7 rural housing preservation made by the Rural Housing
8 Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474, and 1490m,
9 \$32,239,000, to remain available until expended.

10 RURAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES PROGRAM ACCOUNT

11 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

12 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
13 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306
14 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated
15 Farm and Rural Development Act, \$2,200,000,000 for di-
16 rect loans and \$84,746,000 for guaranteed loans.

17 For the cost of guaranteed loans, including the cost
18 of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Con-
19 gressional Budget Act of 1974, \$2,000,000, to remain
20 available until expended.

21 For the cost of grants for rural community facilities
22 programs as authorized by section 306 and described in
23 section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
24 Development Act, \$26,778,000, to remain available until
25 expended: *Provided*, That \$4,000,000 of the amount ap-

1 appropriated under this heading shall be available for a
2 Rural Community Development Initiative: *Provided fur-*
3 *ther*, That such funds shall be used solely to develop the
4 capacity and ability of private, nonprofit community-based
5 housing and community development organizations, low-
6 income rural communities, and Federally Recognized Na-
7 tive American Tribes to undertake projects to improve
8 housing, community facilities, community and economic
9 development projects in rural areas: *Provided further*,
10 That such funds shall be made available to qualified pri-
11 vate, nonprofit and public intermediary organizations pro-
12 posing to carry out a program of financial and technical
13 assistance: *Provided further*, That such intermediary orga-
14 nizations shall provide matching funds from other sources,
15 including Federal funds for related activities, in an
16 amount not less than funds provided: *Provided further*,
17 That \$5,778,000 of the amount appropriated under this
18 heading shall be to provide grants for facilities in rural
19 communities with extreme unemployment and severe eco-
20 nomic depression (Public Law 106–387), with up to 5 per-
21 cent for administration and capacity building in the State
22 rural development offices: *Provided further*, That
23 \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
24 ing shall be available for community facilities grants to
25 tribal colleges, as authorized by section 306(a)(19) of such

1 Act: *Provided further*, That sections 381E–H and 381N
2 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act are
3 not applicable to the funds made available under this
4 heading.

5 RURAL BUSINESS—COOPERATIVE SERVICE

6 RURAL BUSINESS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

8 For the cost of loan guarantees and grants, for the
9 rural business development programs authorized by sec-
10 tion 310B and described in subsections (a), (c), (f) and
11 (g) of section 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
12 Development Act, \$62,687,000, to remain available until
13 expended: *Provided*, That of the amount appropriated
14 under this heading, not to exceed \$500,000 shall be made
15 available for one grant to a qualified national organization
16 to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in
17 order to promote economic development and \$3,000,000
18 shall be for grants to the Delta Regional Authority (7
19 U.S.C. 2009aa et seq.) for any Rural Community Ad-
20 vancement Program purpose as described in section
21 381E(d) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
22 ment Act, of which not more than 5 percent may be used
23 for administrative expenses: *Provided further*, That
24 \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
25 ing shall be for business grants to benefit Federally Recog-

1 nized Native American Tribes, including \$250,000 for a
 2 grant to a qualified national organization to provide tech-
 3 nical assistance for rural transportation in order to pro-
 4 mote economic development: *Provided further*, That for
 5 purposes of determining eligibility or level of program as-
 6 sistance the Secretary shall not include incarcerated pris-
 7 on populations: *Provided further*, That sections 381E–H
 8 and 381N of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
 9 ment Act are not applicable to funds made available under
 10 this heading.

11 INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM FUND ACCOUNT

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

13 For the principal amount of direct loans, as author-
 14 ized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Ac-
 15 count (7 U.S.C. 1936b), \$18,889,000.

16 For the cost of direct loans, \$5,217,000, as author-
 17 ized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Ac-
 18 count (7 U.S.C. 1936b), of which \$531,000 shall be avail-
 19 able through June 30, 2016, for Federally Recognized Na-
 20 tive American Tribes; and of which \$1,021,000 shall be
 21 available through June 30, 2016, for Mississippi Delta Re-
 22 gion counties (as determined in accordance with Public
 23 Law 100–460): *Provided*, That such costs, including the
 24 cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section
 25 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

1 rectors or governing boards of which are comprised of in-
 2 dividuals who are members of socially disadvantaged
 3 groups; and of which \$10,750,000, to remain available
 4 until expended, shall be for value-added agricultural prod-
 5 uct market development grants, as authorized by section
 6 231 of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (7
 7 U.S.C. 1632a).

8 RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM

9 For the cost of a program of loan guarantees, under
 10 the same terms and conditions as authorized by section
 11 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of
 12 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107), \$500,000: *Provided*, That the cost
 13 of loan guarantees, including the cost of modifying such
 14 loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congres-
 15 sional Budget Act of 1974.

16 RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE

17 RURAL WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM ACCOUNT
 18 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

19 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees, and
 20 grants for the rural water, waste water, waste disposal,
 21 and solid waste management programs authorized by sec-
 22 tions 306, 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B and de-
 23 scribed in sections 306C(a)(2), 306D, 306E, and
 24 381E(d)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
 25 ment Act, \$496,738,000, to remain available until ex-

1 pending, of which not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall be avail-
2 able for the rural utilities program described in section
3 306(a)(2)(B) of such Act, and of which not to exceed
4 \$993,000 shall be available for the rural utilities program
5 described in section 306E of such Act: *Provided*, That
6 \$66,500,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
7 ing shall be for loans and grants including water and
8 waste disposal systems grants authorized by
9 306C(a)(2)(B) and 306D of the Consolidated Farm and
10 Rural Development Act, Federally Recognized Native
11 American Tribes authorized by 306C(a)(1), and the De-
12 partment of Hawaiian Home Lands (of the State of Ha-
13 waii): *Provided further*, That funding provided for section
14 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development
15 Act may be provided to a consortium formed pursuant to
16 section 325 of Public Law 105–83: *Provided further*, That
17 not more than 2 percent of the funding provided for sec-
18 tion 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
19 ment Act may be used by the State of Alaska for training
20 and technical assistance programs and not more than 2
21 percent of the funding provided for section 306D of the
22 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act may be
23 used by a consortium formed pursuant to section 325 of
24 Public Law 105–83 for training and technical assistance
25 programs: *Provided further*, That not to exceed

1 \$19,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
2 ing shall be for technical assistance grants for rural water
3 and waste systems pursuant to section 306(a)(14) of such
4 Act, unless the Secretary makes a determination of ex-
5 treme need, of which \$6,000,000 shall be made available
6 for a grant to a qualified nonprofit multi-State regional
7 technical assistance organization, with experience in work-
8 ing with small communities on water and waste water
9 problems, the principal purpose of such grant shall be to
10 assist rural communities with populations of 3,300 or less,
11 in improving the planning, financing, development, oper-
12 ation, and management of water and waste water systems,
13 and of which not less than \$800,000 shall be for a quali-
14 fied national Native American organization to provide
15 technical assistance for rural water systems for tribal com-
16 munities: *Provided further*, That not to exceed
17 \$16,500,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-
18 ing shall be for contracting with qualified national organi-
19 zations for a circuit rider program to provide technical as-
20 sistance for rural water systems: *Provided further*, That
21 not to exceed \$4,000,000 shall be for solid waste manage-
22 ment grants: *Provided further*, That \$10,000,000 of the
23 amount appropriated under this heading shall be trans-
24 ferred to, and merged with, the Rural Utilities Service,
25 High Energy Cost Grants Account to provide grants au-

1 thorized under section 19 of the Rural Electrification Act
 2 of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 918a): *Provided further*, That any prior
 3 year balances for high-energy cost grants authorized by
 4 section 19 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7
 5 U.S.C. 918a) shall be transferred to and merged with the
 6 Rural Utilities Service, High Energy Cost Grants Ac-
 7 count: *Provided further*, That sections 381E–H and 381N
 8 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act are
 9 not applicable to the funds made available under this
 10 heading.

11 RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

12 LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

14 The principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans
 15 as authorized by sections 305 and 306 of the Rural Elec-
 16 trification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935 and 936) shall be
 17 made as follows: loans made pursuant to section 306 of
 18 that Act, rural electric, \$6,000,000,000; guaranteed un-
 19 derwriting loans pursuant to section 313A, \$750,000,000;
 20 5 percent rural telecommunications loans, cost of money
 21 rural telecommunications loans, and for loans made pursu-
 22 ant to section 306 of that Act, rural telecommunications
 23 loans, \$690,000,000: *Provided*, That up to
 24 \$2,000,000,000 shall be used for the construction, acquisi-
 25 tion, or improvement of fossil-fueled electric generating

1 plants (whether new or existing) that utilize carbon se-
2 questration systems.

3 For the cost of direct loans as authorized by section
4 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C.
5 935), including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in
6 section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, cost
7 of money rural telecommunications loans, \$104,000.

8 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
9 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,
10 \$34,478,000, which shall be transferred to and merged
11 with the appropriation for “Rural Development, Salaries
12 and Expenses”.

13 DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND
14 PROGRAM

15 For the principal amount of broadband telecommuni-
16 cation loans, \$20,576,000.

17 For grants for telemedicine and distance learning
18 services in rural areas, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa
19 et seq., \$22,000,000, to remain available until expended:
20 *Provided*, That \$3,000,000 shall be made available for
21 grants authorized by 379G of the Consolidated Farm and
22 Rural Development Act: *Provided further*, That funding
23 provided under this heading for grants under 379G of the
24 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act may only

1 be provided to entities that meet all of the eligibility cri-
 2 teria for a consortium as established by this section.

3 For the cost of broadband loans, as authorized by
 4 section 601 of the Rural Electrification Act, \$4,500,000,
 5 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the
 6 cost of direct loans shall be as defined in section 502 of
 7 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

8 In addition, \$10,372,000, to remain available until
 9 expended, for a grant program to finance broadband
 10 transmission in rural areas eligible for Distance Learning
 11 and Telemedicine Program benefits authorized by 7
 12 U.S.C. 950aaa.

13 TITLE IV

14 DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS

15 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD,

16 NUTRITION, AND CONSUMER SERVICES

17 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
 18 Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services,
 19 \$816,000.

20 FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

21 CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

22 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

23 For necessary expenses to carry out the Richard B.
 24 Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et
 25 seq.), except section 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of

1 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), except sections 17 and
2 21; \$21,524,377,000 to remain available through Sep-
3 tember 30, 2017, of which such sums as are made avail-
4 able under section 14222(b)(1) of the Food, Conservation,
5 and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246), as
6 amended by this Act, shall be merged with and available
7 for the same time period and purposes as provided herein:
8 *Provided*, That of the total amount available, \$17,004,000
9 shall be available to carry out section 19 of the Child Nu-
10 trition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.): *Provided*
11 *further*, That of the total amount available, \$25,000,000
12 shall be available to provide competitive grants to State
13 agencies for subgrants to local educational agencies and
14 schools to purchase the equipment needed to serve
15 healthier meals, improve food safety, and to help support
16 the establishment, maintenance, or expansion of the school
17 breakfast program: *Provided further*, That of the total
18 amount available, \$16,000,000 shall remain available until
19 expended to carry out section 749(g) of the Agriculture
20 Appropriations Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–80).

21 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR

22 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

23 For necessary expenses to carry out the special sup-
24 plemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17
25 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),

1 \$6,513,000,000, to remain available through September
2 30, 2017: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section
3 17(h)(10) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.
4 1786(h)(10)), not less than \$60,000,000 shall be used for
5 breastfeeding peer counselors and other related activities,
6 \$13,600,000 shall be used for infrastructure, \$55,000,000
7 shall be used for management information systems: *Pro-*
8 *vided further*, That none of the funds provided in this ac-
9 count shall be available for the purchase of infant formula
10 except in accordance with the cost containment and com-
11 petitive bidding requirements specified in section 17 of
12 such Act: *Provided further*, That none of the funds pro-
13 vided shall be available for activities that are not fully re-
14 imbursed by other Federal Government departments or
15 agencies unless authorized by section 17 of such Act: *Pro-*
16 *vided further*, That upon termination of a federally man-
17 dated vendor moratorium and subject to terms and condi-
18 tions established by the Secretary, the Secretary may
19 waive the requirement at 7 CFR 246.12(g)(6) at the re-
20 quest of a State agency.

21 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

22 For necessary expenses to carry out the Food and
23 Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.),
24 \$81,662,069,000, of which \$3,000,000,000, to remain
25 available through September 30, 2017, shall be placed in

1 reserve for use only in such amounts and at such times
2 as may become necessary to carry out program operations:
3 *Provided*, That funds provided herein shall be expended
4 in accordance with section 16 of the Food and Nutrition
5 Act of 2008: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
6 available under this heading, \$998,000 may be used to
7 provide nutrition education services to State agencies and
8 Federally Recognized Tribes participating in the Food
9 Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: *Provided*
10 *further*, That this appropriation shall be subject to any
11 work registration or workfare requirements as may be re-
12 quired by law: *Provided further*, That funds made available
13 for Employment and Training under this heading shall re-
14 main available through September 30, 2017: *Provided fur-*
15 *ther*, That funds made available under this heading for
16 a study on Indian tribal administration of nutrition pro-
17 grams, as provided in title IV of the Agricultural Act of
18 2014 (Public Law 113–79), and a study of the removal
19 of cash benefits in Puerto Rico, as provided in title IV
20 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79) shall
21 be available until expended: *Provided further*, That funds
22 made available under this heading for section 28(d)(1) and
23 section 27(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 shall
24 remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided*
25 *further*, That funds made available under this heading for

1 employment and training pilot projects, as provided in title
2 IV of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79),
3 shall remain available through September 30, 2018: *Pro-*
4 *vided further*, That funds made available under this head-
5 ing may be used to enter into contracts and employ staff
6 to conduct studies, evaluations, or to conduct activities re-
7 lated to program integrity provided that such activities are
8 authorized by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008.

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; special assist-
15 ance for the nuclear affected islands, as authorized by sec-
16 tion 103(f)(2) of the Compact of Free Association Amend-
17 ments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108–188); and the Farm-
18 ers’ Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by section
19 17(m) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, \$288,317,000,
20 to remain available through September 30, 2017: *Pro-*
21 *vided*, That none of these funds shall be available to reim-
22 burse the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities
23 donated to the program: *Provided further*, That notwith-
24 standing any other provision of law, effective with funds
25 made available in fiscal year 2016 to support the Seniors

1 Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by
2 section 4402 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment
3 Act of 2002, such funds shall remain available through
4 September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That of the funds
5 made available under section 27(a) of the Food and Nutri-
6 tion Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)), the Secretary may
7 use up to 10 percent for costs associated with the distribu-
8 tion of commodities.

9 NUTRITION PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

10 For necessary administrative expenses of the Food
11 and Nutrition Service for carrying out any domestic nutri-
12 tion assistance program, \$151,824,000: *Provided*, That of
13 the funds provided herein, \$2,000,000 shall be used for
14 the purposes of section 4404 of Public Law 107-171, as
15 amended by section 4401 of Public Law 110-246.

16 TITLE V

17 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED
18 PROGRAMS

19 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

20 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

22 For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural
23 Service, including not to exceed \$250,000 for representa-
24 tion allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of
25 the Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),

1 \$187,225,000, of which no more than 6 percent shall re-
 2 main available until September 30, 2017, for overseas op-
 3 erations to include the payment of locally employed staff:
 4 *Provided*, That the Service may utilize advances of funds,
 5 or reimburse this appropriation for expenditures made on
 6 behalf of Federal agencies, public and private organiza-
 7 tions and institutions under agreements executed pursu-
 8 ant to the agricultural food production assistance pro-
 9 grams (7 U.S.C. 1737) and the foreign assistance pro-
 10 grams of the United States Agency for International De-
 11 velopment: *Provided further*, That funds made available
 12 for middle-income country training programs, funds made
 13 available for the Borlaug International Agricultural
 14 Science and Technology Fellowship program, and up to
 15 \$2,000,000 of the Foreign Agricultural Service appropria-
 16 tion solely for the purpose of offsetting fluctuations in
 17 international currency exchange rates, subject to docu-
 18 mentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service, shall re-
 19 main available until expended.

20 FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE I DIRECT CREDIT AND FOOD
 21 FOR PROGRESS PROGRAM ACCOUNT
 22 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

23 For administrative expenses to carry out the credit
 24 program of title I, Food for Peace Act (Public Law 83-
 25 480) and the Food for Progress Act of 1985, \$2,528,000,

1 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation
2 for “Farm Service Agency, Salaries and Expenses”.

3 FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE II GRANTS

4 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not oth-
5 erwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years’ costs, in-
6 cluding interest thereon, under the Food for Peace Act
7 (Public Law 83–480), for commodities supplied in connec-
8 tion with dispositions abroad under title II of said Act,
9 \$1,466,000,000, to remain available until expended.

10 MCGOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR EDUCATION

11 AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM GRANTS

12 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
13 of section 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
14 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 1736o–1), \$201,626,000, to
15 remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Com-
16 modity Credit Corporation is authorized to provide the
17 services, facilities, and authorities for the purpose of im-
18 plementing such section, subject to reimbursement from
19 amounts provided herein: *Provided further*, That of the
20 amount made available under this heading, \$10,000,000,
21 shall remain available until expended for necessary ex-
22 penses to carry out the provisions of section 3207 of the
23 Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 1726c).

1 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT (LOANS)
2 CREDIT GUARANTEE 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, \$6,748,000; 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 \$6,394,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the
11 appropriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service, Salaries
12 and Expenses", and of which \$354,000 shall be trans-
13 ferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Farm
14 Service Agency, Salaries and Expenses".

15 TITLE VI
16 RELATED AGENCY AND FOOD AND DRUG
17 ADMINISTRATION
18 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
19 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
20 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

21 For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Ad-
22 ministration, including hire and purchase of passenger
23 motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related
24 costs pursuant to Public Law 92-313 for programs and
25 activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are

1 included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space
2 in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; for miscellaneous
3 and emergency expenses of enforcement activities, author-
4 ized and approved by the Secretary and to be accounted
5 for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to exceed
6 \$25,000; and notwithstanding section 521 of Public Law
7 107-188; \$4,559,663,000: *Provided*, That of the amount
8 provided under this heading, \$826,072,000 shall be de-
9 rived from prescription drug user fees authorized by 21
10 U.S.C. 379h, and shall be credited to this account and
11 remain available until expended; \$134,475,000 shall be de-
12 rived from medical device user fees authorized by 21
13 U.S.C. 379j, and shall be credited to this account and re-
14 main available until expended; \$320,029,000 shall be de-
15 rived from human generic drug user fees authorized by
16 21 U.S.C. 379j-42, and shall be credited to this account
17 and remain available until expended; \$21,540,000 shall be
18 derived from biosimilar biological product user fees au-
19 thorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-52, and shall be credited to
20 this account and remain available until expended;
21 \$22,140,000 shall be derived from animal drug user fees
22 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-12, and shall be credited
23 to this account and remain available until expended;
24 \$7,429,000 shall be derived from animal generic drug user
25 fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-21, and shall be cred-

1 ited to this account and remain available until expended;
2 \$599,000,000 shall be derived from tobacco product user
3 fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 387s, and shall be credited
4 to this account and remain available until expended: *Pro-*
5 *vided further*, That in addition to and notwithstanding any
6 other provision under this heading, amounts collected for
7 prescription drug user fees, medical device user fees,
8 human generic drug user fees, biosimilar biological prod-
9 uct user fees, animal drug user fees, and animal generic
10 drug user fees that exceed the respective fiscal year 2016
11 limitations are appropriated and shall be credited to this
12 account and remain available until expended: *Provided fur-*
13 *ther*, That fees derived from prescription drug, medical de-
14 vice, human generic drug, biosimilar biological product,
15 animal drug, and animal generic drug assessments for fis-
16 cal year 2016, including any such fees collected prior to
17 fiscal year 2016 but credited for fiscal year 2016, shall
18 be subject to the fiscal year 2016 limitations: *Provided fur-*
19 *ther*, That the Secretary may accept payment during fiscal
20 year 2016 of user fees specified under this heading and
21 authorized for fiscal year 2017, prior to the due date for
22 such fees, and that amounts of such fees assessed for fis-
23 cal year 2017 for which the Secretary accepts payment
24 in fiscal year 2016 shall not be included in amounts under
25 this heading: *Provided further*, That none of these funds

1 shall be used to develop, establish, or operate any program
2 of user fees authorized by 31 U.S.C. 9701: *Provided fur-*
3 *ther*, That of the total amount appropriated: (1)
4 \$948,403,000 shall be for the Center for Food Safety and
5 Applied Nutrition and related field activities in the Office
6 of Regulatory Affairs; (2) \$1,366,975,000 shall be for the
7 Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and related
8 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (3)
9 \$345,190,000 shall be for the Center for Biologics Evalua-
10 tion and Research and for related field activities in the
11 Office of Regulatory Affairs; (4) \$171,115,000 shall be
12 for the Center for Veterinary Medicine and for related
13 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (5)
14 \$424,635,000 shall be for the Center for Devices and Ra-
15 diological Health and for related field activities in the Of-
16 fice of Regulatory Affairs; (6) \$63,331,000 shall be for
17 the National Center for Toxicological Research; (7)
18 \$564,117,000 shall be for the Center for Tobacco Prod-
19 ucts and for related field activities in the Office of Regu-
20 latory Affairs; (8) not to exceed \$166,762,000 shall be for
21 Rent and Related activities, of which \$50,218,000 is for
22 White Oak Consolidation, other than the amounts paid to
23 the General Services Administration for rent; (9) not to
24 exceed \$229,432,000 shall be for payments to the General
25 Services Administration for rent; (10) not less than

1 \$150,000 shall be used to implement a requirement that
2 the labeling of genetically engineered salmon offered for
3 sale to consumers indicate that such salmon is genetically
4 engineered; and (11) \$279,703,000 shall be for other ac-
5 tivities, including the Office of the Commissioner of Food
6 and Drugs, the Office of Foods and Veterinary Medicine,
7 the Office of Medical and Tobacco Products, the Office
8 of Global and Regulatory Policy, the Office of Operations,
9 the Office of the Chief Scientist, and central services for
10 these offices: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$25,000
11 of this amount shall be for official reception and represen-
12 tation expenses, not otherwise provided for, as determined
13 by the Commissioner: *Provided further*, That any transfer
14 of funds pursuant to section 770(n) of the Federal Food,
15 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379dd(n)) shall only
16 be from amounts made available under this heading for
17 other activities: *Provided further*, That of the amounts
18 that are made available under this heading for “other ac-
19 tivities”, and that are not derived from user fees,
20 \$1,500,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the
21 appropriation for “Department of Health and Human
22 Services—Office of Inspector General” for oversight of the
23 programs and operations of the Food and Drug Adminis-
24 tration and shall be in addition to funds otherwise made
25 available for oversight of the Food and Drug Administra-

1 tion: *Provided further*, That funds may be transferred
2 from one specified activity to another with the prior ap-
3 proval of the Committees on Appropriations of both
4 Houses of Congress.

5 In addition, mammography user fees authorized by
6 42 U.S.C. 263b, export certification user fees authorized
7 by 21 U.S.C. 381, priority review user fees authorized by
8 21 U.S.C. 360n and 360ff, food and feed recall fees, food
9 reinspection fees, and voluntary qualified importer pro-
10 gram fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–31, outsourcing
11 facility fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–62, prescription
12 drug wholesale distributor licensing and inspection fees
13 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 353(e)(3), and third-party logis-
14 ties provider licensing and inspection fees authorized by
15 21 U.S.C. 360eee–3(c)(1), and third-party auditor fees
16 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 384d(c)(8), shall be credited to
17 this account, to remain available until expended.

18 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

19 For plans, construction, repair, improvement, exten-
20 sion, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facili-
21 ties of or used by the Food and Drug Administration,
22 where not otherwise provided, \$8,788,000, to remain
23 available until expended.

1 INDEPENDENT AGENCY
2 FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION
3 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES
4 Not to exceed \$65,600,000 (from assessments col-
5 lected from farm credit institutions, including the Federal
6 Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated
7 during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses
8 as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249: *Provided*, That this
9 limitation shall not apply to expenses associated with re-
10 ceiverships: *Provided further*, That the agency may exceed
11 this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification to the
12 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
13 gress.

14 TITLE VII
15 GENERAL PROVISIONS
16 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS AND TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)
17 SEC. 701. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law,
18 appropriations and authorizations made for the Depart-
19 ment of Agriculture for the current fiscal year under this
20 Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those
21 specifically provided for, of not to exceed 71 passenger
22 motor vehicles of which 68 shall be for replacement only,
23 and for the hire of such vehicles: *Provided*, That notwith-
24 standing this section, the only purchase of new passenger
25 vehicles shall be for those determined by the Secretary to

1 be necessary for transportation safety, to reduce oper-
2 ational costs, and for the protection of life, property, and
3 public safety.

4 SEC. 702. Notwithstanding any other provision of
5 this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer unobli-
6 gated balances of discretionary funds appropriated by this
7 Act or any other available unobligated discretionary bal-
8 ances that are remaining available of the Department of
9 Agriculture to the Working Capital Fund for the acquisi-
10 tion of plant and capital equipment necessary for the deliv-
11 ery of financial, administrative, and information tech-
12 nology services of primary benefit to the agencies of the
13 Department of Agriculture, such transferred funds to re-
14 main available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the
15 funds made available by this Act or any other Act shall
16 be transferred to the Working Capital Fund without the
17 prior approval of the agency administrator: *Provided fur-*
18 *ther*, That none of the funds transferred to the Working
19 Capital Fund pursuant to this section shall be available
20 for obligation without written notification to and the prior
21 approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both
22 Houses of Congress: *Provided further*, That none of the
23 funds appropriated by this Act or made available to the
24 Department's Working Capital Fund shall be available for
25 obligation or expenditure to make any changes to the De-

1 department's National Finance Center without written noti-
2 fication to and prior approval of the Committees on Ap-
3 propriations of both Houses of Congress as required by
4 section 717 of this Act: *Provided further*, That of annual
5 income amounts in the Working Capital Fund of the De-
6 partment of Agriculture allocated for the National Fi-
7 nance Center, the Secretary may reserve not more than
8 4 percent for the replacement or acquisition of capital
9 equipment, including equipment for the improvement and
10 implementation of a financial management plan, informa-
11 tion technology, and other systems of the National Fi-
12 nance Center or to pay any unforeseen, extraordinary cost
13 of the National Finance Center: *Provided further*, That
14 none of the amounts reserved shall be available for obliga-
15 tion unless the Secretary submits written notification of
16 the obligation to the Committees on Appropriations of the
17 House of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided fur-*
18 *ther*, That the limitation on the obligation of funds pend-
19 ing notification to Congressional Committees shall not
20 apply to any obligation that, as determined by the Sec-
21 retary, is necessary to respond to a declared state of emer-
22 gency that significantly impacts the operations of the Na-
23 tional Finance Center; or to evacuate employees of the Na-
24 tional Finance Center to a safe haven to continue oper-
25 ations of the National Finance Center.

1 SEC. 703. No part of any appropriation contained in
2 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
3 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

4 SEC. 704. No funds appropriated by this Act may be
5 used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative
6 agreements or similar arrangements between the United
7 States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institu-
8 tions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of
9 the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative ar-
10 rangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest
11 between the two parties. This does not preclude appro-
12 priate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts
13 with such institutions when such indirect costs are com-
14 puted on a similar basis for all agencies for which appro-
15 priations are provided in this Act.

16 SEC. 705. Appropriations to the Department of Agri-
17 culture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made
18 available in the current fiscal year shall remain available
19 until expended to disburse obligations made in the current
20 fiscal year for the following accounts: the Rural Develop-
21 ment Loan Fund program account, the Rural Electrifica-
22 tion and Telecommunication Loans program account, and
23 the Rural Housing Insurance Fund program account.

24 SEC. 706. None of the funds made available to the
25 Department of Agriculture by this Act may be used to ac-

1 quire new information technology systems or significant
2 upgrades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Infor-
3 mation Officer, without the approval of the Chief Informa-
4 tion Officer and the concurrence of the Executive Informa-
5 tion Technology Investment Review Board: *Provided*, That
6 notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the
7 funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this
8 Act may be transferred to the Office of the Chief Informa-
9 tion Officer without written notification to and the prior
10 approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both
11 Houses of Congress: *Provided further*, That none of the
12 funds available to the Department of Agriculture for infor-
13 mation technology shall be obligated for projects over
14 \$25,000 prior to receipt of written approval by the Chief
15 Information Officer: *Provided further*, That the Chief In-
16 formation Officer may authorize an agency to obligate
17 funds without written approval from the Chief Informa-
18 tion Officer for projects up to \$250,000 based upon the
19 performance of an agency measured against the perform-
20 ance plan requirements described in the report accom-
21 panying this Act.

22 SEC. 707. Funds made available under section 524(b)
23 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1524(b)) in
24 the current fiscal year shall remain available until ex-

1 pending to disburse obligations made in the current fiscal
2 year.

3 SEC. 708. Notwithstanding any other provision of
4 law, any former RUS borrower that has repaid or prepaid
5 an insured, direct or guaranteed loan under the Rural
6 Electrification Act of 1936, or any not-for-profit utility
7 that is eligible to receive an insured or direct loan under
8 such Act, shall be eligible for assistance under section
9 313(b)(2)(B) of such Act in the same manner as a bor-
10 rower under such Act.

11 SEC. 709. Except as otherwise specifically provided
12 by law, not more than \$20,000,000 in unobligated bal-
13 ances from appropriations made available for salaries and
14 expenses in this Act for the Farm Service Agency shall
15 remain available through September 30, 2017, for infor-
16 mation technology expenses: *Provided*, That except as oth-
17 erwise specifically provided by law, unobligated balances
18 from appropriations made available for salaries and ex-
19 penses in this Act for the Rural Development mission area
20 shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for
21 information technology expenses.

22 SEC. 710. None of the funds appropriated or other-
23 wise made available by this Act may be used for first-class
24 travel by the employees of agencies funded by this Act in

1 contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124
2 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

3 SEC. 711. In the case of each program established
4 or amended by the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law
5 113–79), other than by title I or subtitle A of title III
6 of such Act, or programs for which indefinite amounts
7 were provided in that Act, that is authorized or required
8 to be carried out using funds of the Commodity Credit
9 Corporation—

10 (1) such funds shall be available for salaries
11 and related administrative expenses, including tech-
12 nical assistance, associated with the implementation
13 of the program, without regard to the limitation on
14 the total amount of allotments and fund transfers
15 contained in section 11 of the Commodity Credit
16 Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714i); and

17 (2) the use of such funds for such purpose shall
18 not be considered to be a fund transfer or allotment
19 for purposes of applying the limitation on the total
20 amount of allotments and fund transfers contained
21 in such section.

22 SEC. 712. Of the funds made available by this Act,
23 not more than \$2,000,000 shall be used to cover necessary
24 expenses of activities related to all advisory committees,
25 panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department

1 of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with nego-
2 tiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competi-
3 tively awarded grants.

4 SEC. 713. None of the funds in this Act shall be avail-
5 able to pay indirect costs charged against any agricultural
6 research, education, or extension grant awards issued by
7 the National Institute of Food and Agriculture that exceed
8 30 percent of total Federal funds provided under each
9 award: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 1462 of
10 the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and
11 Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3310), funds pro-
12 vided by this Act for grants awarded competitively by the
13 National Institute of Food and Agriculture shall be avail-
14 able to pay full allowable indirect costs for each grant
15 awarded under section 9 of the Small Business Act (15
16 U.S.C. 638).

17 SEC. 714. None of the funds appropriated or other-
18 wise made available by this or any other Act shall be used
19 to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out
20 the following:

21 (1) The Watershed Rehabilitation program au-
22 thORIZED by section 14(h)(1) of the Watershed and
23 Flood Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1012(h)(1)); and

24 (2) The Environmental Quality Incentives Pro-
25 gram as authorized by sections 1240–1240H of the

1 Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–
2 3839aa–8) in excess of \$1,347,000,000: *Provided*,
3 That this limitation shall apply only to funds pro-
4 vided by section 1241(a)(5)(C) of the Food Security
5 Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)(5)(C)): *Provided*
6 *further*, That of the funds available under section
7 1241(a)(5)(B) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16
8 U.S.C. 3841(a)(5)(B)) for fiscal year 2016,
9 \$73,000,000 are permanently rescinded; and

10 (3) The Biomass Crop Assistance Program au-
11 thorized by section 9011 of the Farm Security and
12 Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8111) in
13 excess of \$3,000,000 in new obligational authority.

14 SEC. 715. None of the funds appropriated or other-
15 wise made available by this or any other Act shall be used
16 to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out
17 a program under subsection (b)(2)(A)(viii) of section
18 14222 of Public Law 110–246 in excess of \$884,980,000,
19 as follows: Child Nutrition Programs Entitlement Com-
20 modities—\$465,000,000; State Option Contracts—
21 \$5,000,000; Removal of Defective Commodities—
22 \$2,500,000: *Provided*, That none of the funds made avail-
23 able in this Act or any other Act shall be used for salaries
24 and expenses to carry out in this fiscal year section
25 19(i)(1)(E) of the Richard B. Russell National School

1 Lunch Act, as amended, except in an amount that ex-
2 cludes the transfer of \$125,000,000 of the funds to be
3 transferred under subsection (c) of section 14222 of Pub-
4 lic Law 110–246, until October 1, 2016: *Provided further,*
5 That \$125,000,000 made available on October 1, 2016,
6 to carry out section 19(i)(1)(E) of the Richard B. Russell
7 National School Lunch Act, as amended, shall be excluded
8 from the limitation described in subsection (b)(2)(A)(ix)
9 of section 14222 of Public Law 110–246: *Provided further,*
10 That none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made
11 available by this or any other Act shall be used to pay
12 the salaries or expenses of any employee of the Depart-
13 ment of Agriculture or officer of the Commodity Credit
14 Corporation to carry out clause 3 of section 32 of the Agri-
15 cultural Adjustment Act of 1935 (Public Law 74–320, 7
16 U.S.C. 612c, as amended), or for any surplus removal ac-
17 tivities or price support activities under section 5 of the
18 Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act: *Provided fur-*
19 *ther,* That the available unobligated balances under
20 (b)(2)(A)(viii) of section 14222 of Public Law 110–246
21 in excess of the limitation set forth in this section, except
22 for the amounts to be transferred pursuant to the first
23 proviso, are hereby permanently rescinded.

24 SEC. 716. None of the funds appropriated by this or
25 any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and ex-

1 penses of personnel who prepare or submit appropriations
2 language as part of the President's budget submission to
3 the Congress for programs under the jurisdiction of the
4 Appropriations Subcommittees on Agriculture, Rural De-
5 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
6 Agencies that assumes revenues or reflects a reduction
7 from the previous year due to user fees proposals that
8 have not been enacted into law prior to the submission
9 of the budget unless such budget submission identifies
10 which additional spending reductions should occur in the
11 event the user fees proposals are not enacted prior to the
12 date of the convening of a committee of conference for
13 the fiscal year 2017 appropriations Act.

14 SEC. 717. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act,
15 or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agen-
16 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation
17 or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
18 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of
19 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be
20 available for obligation or expenditure through a re-
21 programming, transfer of funds, or reimbursements as au-
22 thorized by the Economy Act, or in the case of the Depart-
23 ment of Agriculture, through use of the authority provided
24 by section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Or-

1 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257) or section 8 of Public
2 Law 89–106 (7 U.S.C. 2263), that—

3 (1) creates new programs;

4 (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;

5 (3) increases funds or personnel by any means
6 for any project or activity for which funds have been
7 denied or restricted;

8 (4) relocates an office or employees;

9 (5) reorganizes offices, programs, or activities;

10 or

11 (6) contracts out or privatizes any functions or
12 activities presently performed by Federal employees;

13 unless the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of
14 Health and Human Services (as the case may be) notifies
15 in writing and receives approval from the Committees on
16 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30
17 days in advance of the reprogramming of such funds or
18 the use of such authority.

19 (b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-
20 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies
21 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or
22 expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
23 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of
24 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be
25 available for obligation or expenditure for activities, pro-

1 grams, or projects through a reprogramming or use of the
2 authorities referred to in subsection (a) involving funds
3 in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less,
4 that—

5 (1) augments existing programs, projects, or ac-
6 tivities;

7 (2) reduces by 10 percent funding for any exist-
8 ing program, project, or activity, or numbers of per-
9 sonnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or

10 (3) results from any general savings from a re-
11 duction in personnel which would result in a change
12 in existing programs, activities, or projects as ap-
13 proved by Congress;

14 unless the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of
15 Health and Human Services (as the case may be) notifies
16 in writing and receives approval from the Committees on
17 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30
18 days in advance of the reprogramming or transfer of such
19 funds or the use of such authority.

20 (c) The Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of
21 Health and Human Services shall notify in writing and
22 receive approval from the Committees on Appropriations
23 of both Houses of Congress before implementing any pro-
24 gram or activity not carried out during the previous fiscal

1 year unless the program or activity is funded by this Act
2 or specifically funded by any other Act.

3 (d) None of the funds provided by this Act, or pro-
4 vided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies
5 funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or
6 expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from
7 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of
8 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be
9 available for—

10 (1) modifying major capital investments fund-
11 ing levels, including information technology systems,
12 that involves increasing or decreasing funds in the
13 current fiscal year for the individual investment in
14 excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent of the total cost,
15 whichever is less;

16 (2) realigning or reorganizing new, current, or
17 vacant positions or agency activities or functions to
18 establish a center, office, branch, or similar entity
19 with five or more personnel; or

20 (3) carrying out activities or functions that
21 were not described in the budget request;

22 unless the agencies funded by this Act notify, in writing,
23 the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
24 gress at least 30 days in advance of using the funds for
25 these purposes.

1 (e) As described in this section, no funds may be used
2 for any activities unless the Secretary of Agriculture or
3 the Secretary of Health and Human Services receives from
4 the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
5 gress written or electronic mail confirmation of receipt of
6 the notification as required in this section.

7 SEC. 718. Notwithstanding section 310B(g)(5) of the
8 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
9 1932(g)(5)), the Secretary may assess a one-time fee for
10 any guaranteed business and industry loan in an amount
11 that does not exceed 3 percent of the guaranteed principal
12 portion of the loan.

13 SEC. 719. None of the funds appropriated or other-
14 wise made available to the Department of Agriculture, the
15 Food and Drug Administration, or the Farm Credit Ad-
16 ministration shall be used to transmit or otherwise make
17 available to any non-Department of Agriculture, non-De-
18 partment of Health and Human Services, or non-Farm
19 Credit Administration employee questions or responses to
20 questions that are a result of information requested for
21 the appropriations hearing process.

22 SEC. 720. Unless otherwise authorized by existing
23 law, none of the funds provided in this Act, may be used
24 by an executive branch agency to produce any pre-
25 packaged news story intended for broadcast or distribution

1 in the United States unless the story includes a clear noti-
2 fication within the text or audio of the prepackaged news
3 story that the prepackaged news story was prepared or
4 funded by that executive branch agency.

5 SEC. 721. No employee of the Department of Agri-
6 culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or
7 office funded by this Act or any other Act to any other
8 agency or office of the Department for more than 60 days
9 in a fiscal year unless the individual's employing agency
10 or office is fully reimbursed by the receiving agency or
11 office for the salary and expenses of the employee for the
12 period of assignment.

13 SEC. 722. The Secretary of Agriculture may author-
14 ize a State agency to use funds provided in this Act to
15 exceed the maximum amount of liquid infant formula
16 specified in 7 CFR 246.10 when issuing liquid infant for-
17 mula to participants.

18 SEC. 723. Not later than 30 days after the date of
19 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, the
20 Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, and
21 the Chairman of the Farm Credit Administration shall
22 submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House
23 of Representatives and the Senate a detailed spending
24 plan by program, project, and activity for all the funds

1 made available under this Act including appropriated user
2 fees, as defined in the report accompanying this Act.

3 SEC. 724. There is hereby appropriated \$1,996,000
4 to carry out section 1621 of Public Law 110–246.

5 SEC. 725. The Secretary shall continue the pilot pro-
6 gram in effect for fiscal year 2013 for packaging and re-
7 viewing section 502 single family direct loans. The Sec-
8 retary shall continue agreements with current inter-
9 mediary organizations and not later than 90 days after
10 enactment of this Act enter into additional agreements
11 that increase the number of participating intermediary or-
12 ganizations to not less than 10. The Secretary shall work
13 with these organizations to increase the effectiveness of
14 the section 502 single family direct loan program in rural
15 communities and shall set aside and make available from
16 the national reserve section 502 loans an amount nec-
17 essary to support the work of such intermediaries and pro-
18 vide a priority for review of such loans.

19 SEC. 726. For loans and loan guarantees that do not
20 require budget authority and the program level has been
21 established in this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may
22 increase the program level for such loans and loan guaran-
23 tees by not more than 25 percent: *Provided*, That prior
24 to the Secretary implementing such an increase, the Sec-
25 retary notifies, in writing, the Committees on Appropria-

1 tions of both Houses of Congress at least 15 days in ad-
2 vance.

3 SEC. 727. None of the credit card refunds or rebates
4 transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to sec-
5 tion 729 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and
6 Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropria-
7 tions Act, 2002 (7 U.S.C. 2235a; Public Law 107-76)
8 shall be available for obligation without written notifica-
9 tion to, and the prior approval of, the Committees on Ap-
10 propriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided*, That
11 the refunds or rebates so transferred shall be available for
12 obligation only for the acquisition of plant and capital
13 equipment necessary for the delivery of financial, adminis-
14 trative, and information technology services of primary
15 benefit to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture.

16 SEC. 728. There is hereby appropriated \$600,000 for
17 the purposes of section 727 of division A of Public Law
18 112-55.

19 SEC. 729. None of the funds made available by this
20 Act may be used to enforce the final rule entitled “Food
21 Labeling; Nutrition Labeling of Standard Menu Items in
22 Restaurants and Similar Retail Food Establishments”
23 published by the Food and Drug Administration in the
24 Federal Register on December 1, 2014 (79 Fed. Reg.
25 71156 et seq.) before December 1, 2016.

1 SEC. 730. In response to an eligible community where
2 the drinking water supplies are inadequate due to a nat-
3 ural disaster, as determined by the Secretary, including
4 drought or severe weather, the Secretary may provide po-
5 table water through the Emergency Community Water As-
6 sistance Grant Program for an additional period of time
7 not to exceed 120 days beyond the established period pro-
8 vided under the Program in order to protect public health.

9 SEC. 731. In addition to amounts otherwise made
10 available by this Act and notwithstanding the last sentence
11 of 16 U.S.C. 1310, there is appropriated \$4,000,000, to
12 remain available until expended, to implement non-renew-
13 able agreements on eligible lands, including flooded agri-
14 cultural lands, as determined by the Secretary, under the
15 Water Bank Act (16 U.S.C. 1301–1311).

16 SEC. 732. The Secretary shall set aside for Rural
17 Economic Area Partnership (REAP) Zones, until August
18 15, 2016, an amount of funds made available in title III
19 under the headings of Rural Housing Insurance Fund
20 Program Account, Mutual and Self-Help Housing Grants,
21 Rural Housing Assistance Grants, Rural Community Fa-
22 cilities Program Account, Rural Business Program Ac-
23 count, Rural Development Loan Fund Program Account,
24 and Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Account,
25 equal to the amount obligated in REAP Zones with re-

1 spect to funds provided under such headings in the most
2 recent fiscal year any such funds were obligated under
3 such headings for REAP Zones.

4 SEC. 733. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
5 may be used to issue, promulgate, or otherwise implement
6 the 2015 Dietary Guidelines for Americans edition unless
7 the information and guidelines in the report are solely nu-
8 tritional and dietary in nature; and based only on a pre-
9 ponderance of nutritional and dietary scientific evidence
10 and not extraneous information.

11 SEC. 734. Funds provided by this or any prior Appro-
12 priations Act for the Agriculture and Food Research Ini-
13 tiative under 7 U.S.C. 450i(b) shall be made available
14 without regard to section 7128 of the Agricultural Act of
15 2014 (7 U.S.C. 3371 note), under the matching require-
16 ments in laws in effect on the date before the date of en-
17 actment of such section: *Provided*, That the requirements
18 of 7 U.S.C. 450i(b)(9) shall continue to apply.

19 SEC. 735. The Secretary of Agriculture and the Sec-
20 retary's designees are hereby granted the same access to
21 information and subject to the same requirements applica-
22 ble to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
23 as provided in section 453 (j) of the Social Security Act
24 (42 U.S.C. 653 (j)) and section 6103 (l)(7)(D)(ix) of the
25 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C.

1 6103(l)(7)(D)(ix)) to verify the income for individuals par-
2 ticipating in sections 502, 504, 521, and 542 of the Hous-
3 ing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472, 1474, 1490a, and
4 1490r).

5 SEC. 736. The Secretary may charge a fee for lenders
6 to access Department loan guarantee systems in connec-
7 tion with such lenders' participation in loan guarantee
8 programs of the Rural Housing Service: *Provided*, That
9 the funds collected from such fees shall be made available
10 to the Secretary without further appropriation and such
11 funds shall be deposited into the Rural Development Sala-
12 ries and Expense Account and shall remain available until
13 expended for obligation and expenditure by the Secretary
14 for administrative expenses of the Rural Housing Service
15 Loan Guarantee Program in addition to other available
16 funds: *Provided further*, That such fees collected shall not
17 exceed \$50 per loan.

18 SEC. 737. Of the unobligated balances identified by
19 the Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 12X1072,
20 \$20,000,000 is hereby rescinded: *Provided*, That no
21 amounts may be rescinded from amounts that were des-
22 ignated by Congress as an emergency requirement or for
23 disaster relief pursuant to a Concurrent Resolution on the
24 Budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit
25 Control Act of 1985.

1 SEC. 738. Of the unobligated prior year funds identi-
2 fied by Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 12X1980
3 where obligations have been cancelled, \$13,000,000 is re-
4 scinded.

5 SEC. 739. None of the funds made available by this
6 Act or any other Act may be used—

7 (1) in contravention of section 7606 of the Ag-
8 ricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 5940); or

9 (2) to prohibit the transportation, processing,
10 sale, or use of industrial hemp that is grown or cul-
11 tivated in accordance with subsection section 7606
12 of the Agricultural Act of 2014, within or outside
13 the State in which the industrial hemp is grown or
14 cultivated.

15 SEC. 740. None of the funds made available by this
16 Act may be used to propose, promulgate, or implement
17 any rule, or take any other action with respect to, allowing
18 or requiring information intended for a prescribing health
19 care professional, in the case of a drug or biological prod-
20 uct subject to section 503(b)(1) of the Federal Food,
21 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 353(b)(1)), to be dis-
22 tributed to such professional electronically (in lieu of in
23 paper form) unless and until a Federal law is enacted to
24 allow or require such distribution.

1 SEC. 741. There is hereby appropriated \$1,000,000,
2 to remain available until expended, for the cost of loans
3 and grants that is consistent with section 4206 of the Ag-
4 ricultural Act of 2014, for necessary expenses of the Sec-
5 retary to support projects that provide access to healthy
6 food in underserved areas, to create and preserve quality
7 jobs, and to revitalize low-income communities.

8 SEC. 742. Notwithstanding any language to the con-
9 trary, state agricultural experiment stations and state co-
10 operative extension services are eligible entities under 7
11 U.S.C. 3125a–1(a).

12 SEC. 743. None of the funds made available by this
13 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the
14 rule entitled “Importation of Beef From a Region in Ar-
15 gentina” published by the Department of Agriculture in
16 the Federal Register on July 2, 2015 (80 Fed. Reg. 37935
17 et seq.) or the rule entitled “Importation of Beef From
18 a Region in Brazil” published by the Department of Agri-
19 culture in the Federal Register on July 2, 2015 (80 Fed.
20 Reg. 37923 et seq.) until the Secretary of Agriculture—
21 (1) conducts an updated comprehensive risk evaluation of
22 importing beef produced in Argentina and Brazil; and (2)
23 updates the Animal Disease Risk Assessment, Prevention,
24 and Control Act of 2001 (Public Law 107–9) Final Report
25 issued to Congress in January 2003 as it relates to eco-

1 nomic impacts associated with the potential introduction
2 of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), including specific ac-
3 tions by Federal agencies to prevent the introduction into
4 or dissemination within the United States of FMD, and
5 the sufficiency of legislative authority to prevent or control
6 FMD in the United States; and (3) reports to Congress
7 on specific steps to implement recommendations of the
8 May 2015 GAO Report on Federal Veterinarians and
9 workforce needs for emergency response to an animal dis-
10 ease outbreak.

11 SEC. 744. None of the funds appropriated or other-
12 wise made available by this Act shall be used to pay the
13 salaries and expenses of personnel—

14 (1) to inspect horses under section 3 of the
15 Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 603);

16 (2) to inspect horses under section 903 of the
17 Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of
18 1996 (7 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 104–127); or

19 (3) to implement or enforce section 352.19 of
20 title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor
21 regulation).

22 SEC. 745. (a) For the period beginning on the date
23 of enactment of this Act through school year 2016–2017,
24 with respect to the school lunch program established under
25 the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42

1 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) or the school breakfast program es-
2 tablished under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42
3 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.) and final regulations published by
4 the Department of Agriculture in the Federal Register on
5 January 26, 2012 (77 Fed. Reg. 4088 et seq.), the Sec-
6 retary shall allow States to grant an exemption from the
7 whole grain requirements that took effect on or after July
8 1, 2014, and the States shall establish a process for evalu-
9 ating and responding, in a reasonable amount of time, to
10 requests for an exemption: *Provided*, That school food au-
11 thorities demonstrate hardship, including financial hard-
12 ship, in procuring specific whole grain products which are
13 acceptable to the students and compliant with the whole
14 grain-rich requirements: *Provided further*, That school
15 food authorities shall comply with the applicable grain
16 component or standard with respect to the school lunch
17 or school breakfast program that was in effect prior to
18 July 1, 2014.

19 (b) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise
20 made available by this or any other Act shall be used to
21 pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to implement
22 any regulations under the Richard B. Russell National
23 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), the Child Nu-
24 trition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), the Healthy,
25 Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–296), or

1 any other law that would require a reduction in the quan-
2 tity of sodium contained in Federally reimbursed meals,
3 foods, and snacks sold in schools below Target 1 (as de-
4 scribed in section 220.8(f)(3) of title 7, Code of Federal
5 Regulations (or successor regulations)) until the latest sci-
6 entific research establishes the reduction is beneficial for
7 children.

8 This Act may be cited as the “Agriculture, Rural De-
9 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
10 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016”.

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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, 2016, and for other purposes.

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