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An Act To amend the Agricultural Act of 1949.

July 25, 1983

[H.R. 3392] Tobacco price support levels.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, effective for the 1983 crop of tobacco, section 106 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1445) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, for the 1983 crop of any kind of tobacco for which marketing quotas are in effect or for which marketing quotas are not disapproved by producers, the support level in cents per pound shall be the support level in cents per pound at which the respective 1982 crop was supported.".

SEC. 2. Section 319 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1314e) is amended by-

(1) in the second sentence of subsection (c), striking out "5 per

centum" and inserting in lieu thereof "10 per centum"; and (2) in the fourth sentence of subsection (e), striking out "95

per centum" and inserting in lieu thereof "90 per centum". SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall review, pursuant to section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended, the effects of imports of Burley tobacco on the Department of Agriculture's Burley tobacco price-support program whenever (1) the level of price support for any crop of Burley tobacco is increased by less than 65 per centum of the amount that it would have otherwise been increased if the level of price support would have been determined in accordance with section 106(b) of the Agricultural Act of 1949, or (2) stocks of Burley tobacco held by producer-owned cooperative marketing associations having loan agreements with the Commodity Credit Corporation exceed 20 per centum of the national marketing quota proclaimed by the Secretary for any such crop of Burley tobacco.

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7 USC 1445.

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