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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, 2024, and for other purposes.

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Dr. HARRIS, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill; which was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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**A BILL**

Making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.



1 security, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous  
2 supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and nec-  
3 essary for the practical and efficient work of the Depart-  
4 ment: *Provided*, That funds made available by this Act to  
5 an agency in the Administration mission area for salaries  
6 and expenses are available to fund up to one administra-  
7 tive support staff for the Office; and not to exceed  
8 \$3,869,000 shall be available for the Office of Assistant  
9 Secretary for Congressional Relations and Intergovern-  
10 mental Affairs to carry out the programs funded by this  
11 Act, including programs involving intergovernmental af-  
12 fairs and liaison within the executive branch: *Provided fur-*  
13 *ther*, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to  
14 transfer funds appropriated for any office of the Office  
15 of the Secretary to any other office of the Office of the  
16 Secretary: *Provided further*, That no appropriation for any  
17 office shall be increased or decreased by more than 5 per-  
18 cent: *Provided further*, That the amount made available  
19 under this heading for Departmental Administration shall  
20 be reimbursed from applicable appropriations in this Act  
21 for travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as  
22 required by 5 U.S.C. 551–558: *Provided further*, That  
23 funds made available under this heading for the Office of  
24 the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations and  
25 Intergovernmental Affairs shall be transferred to agencies

1 of the Department of Agriculture funded by this Act to  
2 maintain personnel at the agency level: *Provided further,*  
3 That no funds made available under this heading for the  
4 Office of Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations  
5 may be obligated after 30 days from the date of enactment  
6 of this Act, unless the Secretary has notified the Commit-  
7 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress on the  
8 allocation of these funds by USDA agency: *Provided fur-*  
9 *ther,* That during any 30 day notification period ref-  
10 erenced in section 716 of this Act, the Secretary of Agri-  
11 culture shall take no action to begin implementation of  
12 the action that is subject to section 716 of this Act or  
13 make any public announcement of such action in any  
14 form.

#### 15 EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

##### 16 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ECONOMIST

17 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief  
18 Economist, \$29,181,000, of which \$8,000,000 shall be for  
19 grants or cooperative agreements for policy research under  
20 7 U.S.C. 3155: *Provided,* That of the amounts made avail-  
21 able under this heading, \$500,000 shall be available to  
22 carry out section 224 of subtitle A of the Department of  
23 Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6924),  
24 as amended by section 12504 of Public Law 115–334.

1 OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of Hearings and  
3 Appeals, \$16,173,000.

4 OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and  
6 Program Analysis, \$11,337,000.

7 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief In-  
9 formation Officer, \$79,442,000, of which not less than  
10 \$66,731,000 is for cybersecurity requirements of the de-  
11 partment.

12 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

13 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Fi-  
14 nancial Officer, \$7,118,000.

15 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CIVIL  
16 RIGHTS

17 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Assistant  
18 Secretary for Civil Rights, \$901,000: *Provided*, That  
19 funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Civil  
20 Rights mission area for salaries and expenses are available  
21 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-  
22 fice.

23 OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

24 For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights,  
25 \$22,789,000.

1 OFFICE OF SAFETY, SECURITY, AND PROTECTION

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of Safety, Secu-  
3 rity, and Protection, \$21,800,000.

4 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
6 General, including employment pursuant to the Inspector  
7 General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5 U.S.C. App.),  
8 \$109,561,000, including such sums as may be necessary  
9 for contracting and other arrangements with public agen-  
10 cies and private persons pursuant to section 6(a)(9) of the  
11 Inspector General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5  
12 U.S.C. App.), and including not to exceed \$125,000 for  
13 certain confidential operational expenses, including the  
14 payment of informants, to be expended under the direction  
15 of the Inspector General pursuant to the Inspector Gen-  
16 eral Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5 U.S.C. App.) and  
17 section 1337 of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981  
18 (Public Law 97–98).

19 OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

20 For necessary expenses of the Office of the General  
21 Counsel, \$44,408,000.

22 OFFICE OF ETHICS

23 For necessary expenses of the Office of Ethics,  
24 \$4,277,000.

1 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH,  
2 EDUCATION, AND ECONOMICS

3 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
4 Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics,  
5 \$1,800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this  
6 Act to an agency in the Research, Education, and Eco-  
7 nomics mission area for salaries and expenses are avail-  
8 able to fund up to one administrative support staff for  
9 the Office: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made  
10 available under this heading, \$1,000,000 shall be made  
11 available for the Office of the Chief Scientist.

12 ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

13 For necessary expenses of the Economic Research  
14 Service, \$90,612,000.

15 NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

16 For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural  
17 Statistics Service, \$187,513,000, of which up to  
18 \$46,850,000 shall be available until expended for the Cen-  
19 sus of Agriculture: *Provided*, That amounts made available  
20 for the Census of Agriculture may be used to conduct Cur-  
21 rent Industrial Report surveys subject to 7 U.S.C.  
22 2204g(d) and (f).

## 1                   AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

## 2                                 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3           For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Research  
4 Service and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange,  
5 or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100,000 and  
6 with prior notification and approval of the Committees on  
7 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, and for land  
8 exchanges where the lands exchanged shall be of equal  
9 value or shall be equalized by a payment of money to the  
10 grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total  
11 value of the land or interests transferred out of Federal  
12 ownership, \$1,745,542,000: *Provided*, That appropriations  
13 hereunder shall be available for the operation and mainte-  
14 nance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed one  
15 for replacement only: *Provided further*, That appropria-  
16 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C.  
17 2250 for the construction, alteration, and repair of build-  
18 ings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the  
19 cost of constructing any one building shall not exceed  
20 \$500,000, except for headhouses or greenhouses which  
21 shall each be limited to \$1,800,000, except for 10 build-  
22 ings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed  
23 \$1,100,000 each, and except for four buildings to be con-  
24 structed at a cost not to exceed \$5,000,000 each, and the  
25 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year



1 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement  
2 value of the building or \$500,000, whichever is greater:  
3 *Provided further*, That appropriations hereunder shall be  
4 available for entering into lease agreements at any Agri-  
5 cultural Research Service location for the construction of  
6 a research facility by a non-Federal entity for use by the  
7 Agricultural Research Service and a condition of the lease  
8 shall be that any facility shall be owned, operated, and  
9 maintained by the non-Federal entity and shall be re-  
10 moved upon the expiration or termination of the lease  
11 agreement: *Provided further*, That the limitations on alter-  
12 ations contained in this Act shall not apply to moderniza-  
13 tion or replacement of existing facilities at Beltsville,  
14 Maryland: *Provided further*, That appropriations here-  
15 under shall be available for granting easements at the  
16 Beltsville Agricultural Research Center: *Provided further*,  
17 That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to replace-  
18 ment of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April  
19 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): *Provided further*, That appro-  
20 priations hereunder shall be available for granting ease-  
21 ments at any Agricultural Research Service location for  
22 the construction of a research facility by a non-Federal  
23 entity for use by, and acceptable to, the Agricultural Re-  
24 search Service and a condition of the easements shall be  
25 that upon completion the facility shall be accepted by the

1 Secretary, subject to the availability of funds herein, if the  
2 Secretary finds that acceptance of the facility is in the  
3 interest of the United States: *Provided further*, That funds  
4 may be received from any State, other political subdivi-  
5 sion, organization, or individual for the purpose of estab-  
6 lishing or operating any research facility or research  
7 project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized  
8 by law.

9 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

10 For the acquisition of land, construction, repair, im-  
11 provement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed  
12 equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agri-  
13 cultural research programs of the Department of Agri-  
14 culture, where not otherwise provided, up to \$16,700,000  
15 to remain available until expended, shall be for the pur-  
16 poses, and in the amounts, specified for this account in  
17 the table titled “Community Project Funding” in the re-  
18 port accompanying this Act.

19 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE  
20 RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

21 For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for  
22 cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and  
23 for other expenses, \$1,085,221,000 which shall be for the  
24 purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table titled  
25 “National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Research

1 and Education Activities” in the report accompanying this  
2 Act: *Provided*, That funds for research grants for 1994  
3 institutions, education grants for 1890 institutions, His-  
4 panic serving institutions education grants, capacity build-  
5 ing for non-land-grant colleges of agriculture, the agri-  
6 culture and food research initiative, veterinary medicine  
7 loan repayment, multicultural scholars, graduate fellow-  
8 ship and institution challenge grants, grants management  
9 systems, tribal colleges education equity grants, and schol-  
10 arships at 1890 institutions shall remain available until  
11 expended: *Provided further*, That each institution eligible  
12 to receive funds under the Evans-Allen program receives  
13 no less than \$1,000,000: *Provided further*, That funds for  
14 education grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-  
15 serving institutions be made available to individual eligible  
16 institutions or consortia of eligible institutions with funds  
17 awarded equally to each of the States of Alaska and Ha-  
18 waii: *Provided further*, That funds for providing grants for  
19 food and agricultural sciences for Alaska Native and Na-  
20 tive Hawaiian-Serving institutions and for Insular Areas  
21 shall remain available until September 30, 2025: *Provided*  
22 *further*, That funds for education grants for 1890 institu-  
23 tions shall be made available to institutions eligible to re-  
24 ceive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222: *Provided fur-*  
25 *ther*, That not more than 5 percent of the amounts made

1 available by this or any other Act to carry out the Agri-  
2 culture and Food Research Initiative under 7 U.S.C. 3157  
3 may be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture to pay  
4 administrative costs incurred by the Secretary in carrying  
5 out that authority.

6 NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

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

10 EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

11 For payments to States, the District of Columbia,  
12 Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, the  
13 Northern Marianas, and American Samoa, \$564,860,000  
14 which shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, speci-  
15 fied in the table titled “National Institute of Food and  
16 Agriculture, Extension Activities” in the report accom-  
17 panying this Act: *Provided*, That funds for extension serv-  
18 ices at 1994 institutions and for facility improvements at  
19 1890 institutions shall remain available until expended:  
20 *Provided further*, That institutions eligible to receive funds  
21 under 7 U.S.C. 3221 for cooperative extension receive no  
22 less than \$1,000,000: *Provided further*, That funds for co-  
23 operative extension under sections 3(b) and (c) of the  
24 Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 343(b) and (c)) and section  
25 208(c) of Public Law 93–471 shall be available for retire-

1 ment and employees' compensation costs for extension  
2 agents.

3 INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

4 For the integrated research, education, and extension  
5 grants programs, including necessary administrative ex-  
6 penses, \$41,500,000, which shall be for the purposes, and  
7 in the amounts, specified in the table titled "National In-  
8 stitute of Food and Agriculture, Integrated Activities" in  
9 the report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That funds  
10 for the Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative shall re-  
11 main available until September 30, 2025: *Provided further*,  
12 That notwithstanding any other provision of law, indirect  
13 costs shall not be charged against any Extension Imple-  
14 mentation Program Area grant awarded under the Crop  
15 Protection/Pest Management Program (7 U.S.C. 7626).

16 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MARKETING  
17 AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS

18 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
19 Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs,  
20 \$800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this  
21 Act to an agency in the Marketing and Regulatory Pro-  
22 grams mission area for salaries and expenses are available  
23 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-  
24 fice.



1 \$13,637,000, to remain available until expended, shall be  
2 for field crop and rangeland ecosystem pests; of which  
3 \$21,567,000, to remain available until expended, shall be  
4 for zoonotic disease management; of which \$44,617,000,  
5 to remain available until expended, shall be for emergency  
6 preparedness and response; of which \$55,562,000, to re-  
7 main available until expended, shall be for tree and wood  
8 pests; of which \$6,500,000, to remain available until ex-  
9 pended, shall be for the National Veterinary Stockpile; of  
10 which up to \$1,500,000, to remain available until ex-  
11 pended, shall be for the scrapie program for indemnities;  
12 of which \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended,  
13 shall be for the wildlife damage management program for  
14 aviation safety: *Provided*, That of amounts available under  
15 this heading for wildlife services methods development,  
16 \$1,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
17 *vided further*, That of amounts available under this head-  
18 ing for the screwworm program, \$4,990,000 shall remain  
19 available until expended; of which \$24,527,000, to remain  
20 available until expended, shall be used to carry out the  
21 science program and transition activities for the National  
22 Bio and Agro-defense Facility located in Manhattan, Kan-  
23 sas: *Provided further*, That no funds shall be used to for-  
24 mulate or administer a brucellosis eradication program for  
25 the current fiscal year that does not require minimum

1 matching by the States of at least 40 percent: *Provided*  
2 *further*, That this appropriation shall be available for the  
3 purchase, replacement, operation, and maintenance of air-  
4 craft: *Provided further*, That in addition, in emergencies  
5 which threaten any segment of the agricultural production  
6 industry of the United States, the Secretary may transfer  
7 from other appropriations or funds available to the agen-  
8 cies or corporations of the Department such sums as may  
9 be deemed necessary, to be available only in such emer-  
10 gencies for the arrest and eradication of contagious or in-  
11 fectious disease or pests of animals, poultry, or plants, and  
12 for expenses in accordance with sections 10411 and 10417  
13 of the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8310 and  
14 8316) and sections 431 and 442 of the Plant Protection  
15 Act (7 U.S.C. 7751 and 7772), and any unexpended bal-  
16 ances of funds transferred for such emergency purposes  
17 in the preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such  
18 transferred amounts: *Provided further*, That appropria-  
19 tions hereunder shall be available pursuant to law (7  
20 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alteration of leased build-  
21 ings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided the  
22 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year  
23 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement  
24 value of the building.



1 In fiscal year 2024, the agency is authorized to collect  
2 fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assist-  
3 ance, goods, or services requested by States, other political  
4 subdivisions, domestic and international organizations,  
5 foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such  
6 fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such  
7 fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods,  
8 or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such  
9 fees shall be reimbursed to this account, to remain avail-  
10 able until expended, without further appropriation, for  
11 providing such assistance, goods, or services.

12 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

13 MARKETING SERVICES

14 For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Marketing  
15 Service, \$184,668,000, of which \$5,004,000 shall be avail-  
16 able for the purposes of section 12306 of Public Law 113-  
17 79: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available  
18 pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and  
19 repair of buildings and improvements, but the cost of al-  
20 tering any one building during the fiscal year shall not  
21 exceed 10 percent of the current replacement value of the  
22 building.

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

1 the development or maintenance of grain standards under  
2 the United States Grain Standards Act, 7 U.S.C. 71 et  
3 seq.

4 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

5 Not to exceed \$62,596,000 (from fees collected) shall  
6 be obligated during the current fiscal year for administra-  
7 tive expenses: *Provided*, That if crop size is understated  
8 and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may  
9 exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification  
10 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of  
11 Congress.

12 FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND

13 SUPPLY (SECTION 32)

14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 Funds available under section 32 of the Act of Au-  
16 gust 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), shall be used only for com-  
17 modity program expenses as authorized therein, and other  
18 related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the  
19 Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and  
20 Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a et seq.); (2) trans-  
21 fers otherwise provided in this Act; and (3) not more than  
22 \$21,501,000 for formulation and administration of mar-  
23 keting agreements and orders pursuant to the Agricultural  
24 Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural  
25 Act of 1961 (Public Law 87–128).

1                   PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

2           For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus  
3 and departments of markets, and similar agencies for  
4 marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricul-  
5 tural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)),  
6 \$1,235,000.

7                   LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES

8                                   EXPENSES

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

16                   OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD SAFETY

17           For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
18 Secretary for Food Safety, \$800,000: *Provided*, That  
19 funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Food  
20 Safety mission area for salaries and expenses are available  
21 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-  
22 fice.

23                   FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

24           For necessary expenses to carry out services author-  
25 ized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry

1 Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection  
2 Act, including not to exceed \$10,000 for representation  
3 allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the  
4 Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),  
5 \$1,197,067,000; and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be cred-  
6 ited to this account from fees collected for the cost of lab-  
7 oratory accreditation as authorized by section 1327 of the  
8 Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990  
9 (7 U.S.C. 138f): *Provided*, That funds provided for the  
10 Public Health Data Communication Infrastructure system  
11 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*,  
12 That no fewer than 148 full-time equivalent positions shall  
13 be employed during fiscal year 2024 for purposes dedi-  
14 cated solely to inspections and enforcement related to the  
15 Humane Methods of Slaughter Act (7 U.S.C. 1901 et  
16 seq.): *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be  
17 available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alter-  
18 ation and repair of buildings and improvements, but the  
19 cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year  
20 shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement  
21 value of the building.

1 TITLE II  
2 FARM PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION  
3 PROGRAMS

4 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM  
5 PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
7 Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation,  
8 \$901,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this  
9 Act to an agency in the Farm Production and Conserva-  
10 tion mission area for salaries and expenses are available  
11 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Of-  
12 fice.

13 FARM PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION BUSINESS  
14 CENTER

15 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

16 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

17 For necessary expenses of the Farm Production and  
18 Conservation Business Center, \$231,302,000: *Provided*,  
19 That \$60,228,000 of amounts appropriated for the cur-  
20 rent fiscal year pursuant to section 1241(a) of the Farm  
21 Security and Rural Investment Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C.  
22 3841(a)) shall be transferred to and merged with this ac-  
23 count.

1 FARM SERVICE AGENCY  
2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 For necessary expenses of the Farm Service Agency,  
5 \$1,215,307,000, of which not less than \$15,000,000 shall  
6 be for the hiring of new employees to fill vacancies and  
7 anticipated vacancies at Farm Service Agency county of-  
8 fices and farm loan officers and shall be available until  
9 September 30, 2025: *Provided*, That not more than 50  
10 percent of the funding made available under this heading  
11 for information technology related to farm program deliv-  
12 ery may be obligated until the Secretary submits to the  
13 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-  
14 gress, and receives written or electronic notification of re-  
15 ceipt from such Committees of, a plan for expenditure that  
16 (1) identifies for each project/investment over \$25,000 (a)  
17 the functional and performance capabilities to be delivered  
18 and the mission benefits to be realized, (b) the estimated  
19 lifecycle cost for the entirety of the project/investment, in-  
20 cluding estimates for development as well as maintenance  
21 and operations, and (c) key milestones to be met; (2) dem-  
22 onstrates that each project/investment is, (a) consistent  
23 with the Farm Service Agency Information Technology  
24 Roadmap, (b) being managed in accordance with applica-  
25 ble lifecycle management policies and guidance, and (c)

1 subject to the applicable Department's capital planning  
2 and investment control requirements; and (3) has been re-  
3 viewed by the Government Accountability Office and ap-  
4 proved by the Committees on Appropriations of both  
5 Houses of Congress: *Provided further*, That the agency  
6 shall submit a report by the end of the fourth quarter of  
7 fiscal year 2024 to the Committees on Appropriations and  
8 the Government Accountability Office, that identifies for  
9 each project/investment that is operational (a) current  
10 performance against key indicators of customer satisfac-  
11 tion, (b) current performance of service level agreements  
12 or other technical metrics, (c) current performance against  
13 a pre-established cost baseline, (d) a detailed breakdown  
14 of current and planned spending on operational enhance-  
15 ments or upgrades, and (e) an assessment of whether the  
16 investment continues to meet business needs as intended  
17 as well as alternatives to the investment: *Provided further*,  
18 That the Secretary is authorized to use the services, facili-  
19 ties, and authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity  
20 Credit Corporation to make program payments for all pro-  
21 grams administered by the Agency: *Provided further*, That  
22 other funds made available to the Agency for authorized  
23 activities may be advanced to and merged with this ac-  
24 count: *Provided further*, That of the amount appropriated  
25 under this heading, \$696,594,000 shall be made available

1 to county committees, to remain available until expended:  
2 *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding the preceding pro-  
3 viso, any funds made available to county committees in  
4 the current fiscal year that the Administrator of the Farm  
5 Service Agency deems to exceed or not meet the amount  
6 needed for the county committees may be transferred to  
7 or from the Farm Service Agency for necessary expenses:  
8 *Provided further*, That none of the funds available to the  
9 Farm Service Agency shall be used to close Farm Service  
10 Agency county offices: *Provided further*, That none of the  
11 funds available to the Farm Service Agency shall be used  
12 to permanently relocate county based employees that  
13 would result in an office with two or fewer employees with-  
14 out prior notification and approval of the Committees on  
15 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

16 STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

17 For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricul-  
18 tural Credit Act of 1987, as amended (7 U.S.C. 5101–  
19 5106), \$6,000,000.

20 GRASSROOTS SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM

21 For necessary expenses to carry out wellhead or  
22 groundwater protection activities under section 12400 of  
23 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839bb–2),  
24 \$7,500,000, to remain available until expended.



## 1                                   DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

## 2                                   (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

3           For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity  
4 payments to dairy farmers and manufacturers of dairy  
5 products under a dairy indemnity program, such sums as  
6 may be necessary, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
7 *vided*, That such program is carried out by the Secretary  
8 in the same manner as the dairy indemnity program de-  
9 scribed in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and  
10 Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropria-  
11 tions Act, 2001 (Public Law 106–387, 114 Stat. 1549A–  
12 12).

## 13                               AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM

## 14                                   ACCOUNT

## 15                               (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16           For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-  
17 rect and guaranteed farm ownership (7 U.S.C. 1922 et  
18 seq.) and operating (7 U.S.C. 1941 et seq.) loans, emer-  
19 gency loans (7 U.S.C. 1961 et seq.), Indian tribe land ac-  
20 quisition loans (25 U.S.C. 5136), boll weevil loans (7  
21 U.S.C. 1989), guaranteed conservation loans (7 U.S.C.  
22 1924 et seq.), relending program (7 U.S.C. 1936c), and  
23 Indian highly fractionated land loans (25 U.S.C. 5136)  
24 to be available from funds in the Agricultural Credit In-  
25 surance Fund, as follows: \$3,500,000,000 for guaranteed

1 farm ownership loans and \$3,100,000,000 for farm owner-  
2 ship direct loans; \$2,118,491,000 for unsubsidized guar-  
3 anteed operating loans and \$1,633,000,000 for direct op-  
4 erating loans; emergency loans, \$37,667,000; Indian tribe  
5 land acquisition loans, \$20,000,000; guaranteed conserva-  
6 tion loans, \$150,000,000; relending program,  
7 \$61,426,000; Indian highly fractionated land loans,  
8 \$5,000,000; and for boll weevil eradication program loans,  
9 \$60,000,000: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall deem the  
10 pink bollworm to be a boll weevil for the purpose of boll  
11 weevil eradication program loans.

12 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans and  
13 grants, including the cost of modifying loans as defined  
14 in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,  
15 as follows: \$3,507,000 for emergency loans, to remain  
16 available until expended; and \$27,598,000 for direct farm  
17 operating loans, \$1,483,000 for unsubsidized guaranteed  
18 farm operating loans, \$19,368,000 for the relending pro-  
19 gram, \$1,577,000 for Indian highly fractionated land  
20 loans, and \$258,000 for boll weevil eradication program  
21 loans.

22 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to  
23 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,  
24 \$326,053,000: *Provided*, That of this amount,  
25 \$305,803,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the

1 appropriation for “Farm Service Agency, Salaries and Ex-  
2 penses”.

3 Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural  
4 Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership,  
5 operating and conservation direct loans and guaranteed  
6 loans may be transferred among these programs: *Pro-*  
7 *vided*, That the Committees on Appropriations of both  
8 Houses of Congress are notified at least 15 days in ad-  
9 vance of any transfer.

10 RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

11 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

12 For necessary expenses of the Risk Management  
13 Agency, \$63,637,000: *Provided*, That \$1,000,000 of the  
14 amount appropriated under this heading in this Act shall  
15 be available for compliance and integrity activities re-  
16 quired under section 516(b)(2)(C) of the Federal Crop In-  
17 surance Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1516(b)(2)(C)), and shall  
18 be in addition to amounts otherwise provided for such pur-  
19 pose: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$1,000 shall  
20 be available for official reception and representation ex-  
21 penses, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 1506(i).

22 NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

23 CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

24 For necessary expenses for carrying out the provi-  
25 sions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a–f),

1 including preparation of conservation plans and establish-  
2 ment of measures to conserve soil and water (including  
3 farm irrigation and land drainage and such special meas-  
4 ures for soil and water management as may be necessary  
5 to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs and to con-  
6 trol agricultural related pollutants); operation of conserva-  
7 tion plant materials centers; classification and mapping of  
8 soil; dissemination of information; acquisition of lands,  
9 water, and interests therein for use in the plant materials  
10 program by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal  
11 cost not to exceed \$100 pursuant to the Act of August  
12 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 2268a); purchase and erection or alter-  
13 ation or improvement of permanent and temporary build-  
14 ings; and operation and maintenance of aircraft,  
15 \$911,399,000, to remain available until September 30,  
16 2025, of which up to \$18,248,000, to remain available  
17 until expended, shall be for the purposes, and in the  
18 amounts, specified for this account in the table titled  
19 “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-  
20 panying this Act: *Provided further*, That appropriations  
21 hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250  
22 for construction and improvement of buildings and public  
23 improvements at plant materials centers, except that the  
24 cost of alterations and improvements to other buildings  
25 and other public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000:



1 1961 (15 U.S.C. 713a–11): *Provided*, That of the funds  
2 available to the Commodity Credit Corporation under sec-  
3 tion 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act  
4 (15 U.S.C. 714i) for the conduct of its business with the  
5 Foreign Agricultural Service, up to \$5,000,000 may be  
6 transferred to and used by the Foreign Agricultural Serv-  
7 ice for information resource management activities of the  
8 Foreign Agricultural Service that are not related to Com-  
9 modity Credit Corporation business: *Provided further*,  
10 That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Appro-  
11 priations of the House and Senate in writing 15 days prior  
12 to the obligation or commitment of any emergency funds  
13 from the Commodity Credit Corporation.

14 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

15 (LIMITATION ON EXPENSES)

16 For the current fiscal year, the Commodity Credit  
17 Corporation shall not expend more than \$15,000,000 for  
18 site investigation and cleanup expenses, and operations  
19 and maintenance expenses to comply with the requirement  
20 of section 107(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental  
21 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C.  
22 9607(g)), and section 6001 of the Solid Waste Disposal  
23 Act (42 U.S.C. 6961).

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, \$800,000: *Provided*,  
7 That funds made available by this Act to an agency in  
8 the Rural Development mission area for salaries and ex-  
9 penses are available to fund up to one administrative sup-  
10 port staff for the Office.

11 RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
12 SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
13 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

14 For necessary expenses for carrying out the adminis-  
15 tration and implementation of Rural Development pro-  
16 grams, including activities with institutions concerning the  
17 development and operation of agricultural cooperatives;  
18 and for cooperative agreements; \$331,087,000: *Provided*  
19 *further*, That of the amount made available under this  
20 heading, no less than \$75,000,000, to remain available  
21 until expended, shall be for information technology ex-  
22 penses. *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provi-  
23 sion of law, funds appropriated under this heading may  
24 be used for advertising and promotional activities that  
25 support Rural Development programs: *Provided further*,

1 That in addition to any other funds appropriated for pur-  
2 poses authorized by section 502(i) of the Housing Act of  
3 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472(i)), any amounts collected under  
4 such section, as amended by this Act, will immediately be  
5 credited to this account and will remain available until ex-  
6 pended for such purposes.

7 RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

8 RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

9 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

10 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-  
11 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the  
12 Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the  
13 rural housing insurance fund, as follows: \$900,000,000  
14 shall be for Section 502 direct loans; \$5,000,000 for a  
15 Single Family Housing Relending demonstration program  
16 for Native American Tribes; and \$30,000,000,000 for Sec-  
17 tion 502 unsubsidized guaranteed loans; \$25,000,000 for  
18 section 504 housing repair loans; \$60,000,000 for section  
19 515 rental housing; \$400,000,000 for section 538 guaran-  
20 teed multi-family housing loans; \$10,000,000 for credit  
21 sales of single family housing acquired property;  
22 \$5,000,000 for section 523 self-help housing land develop-  
23 ment loans; and \$5,000,000 for section 524 site develop-  
24 ment loans.



1 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including  
2 the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of  
3 the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section  
4 502 loans, \$86,660,000 shall be for direct loans; Single  
5 Family Housing Relending demonstration program for  
6 Native American Tribes, \$2,288,000; section 504 housing  
7 repair loans, \$4,337,000; section 523 self-help housing  
8 land development loans, \$637,000; section 524 site devel-  
9 opment loans, \$477,000; and repair, rehabilitation, and  
10 new construction of section 515 rental housing,  
11 \$20,998,000: *Provided*, That to support the loan program  
12 level for section 538 guaranteed loans made available  
13 under this heading the Secretary may charge or adjust  
14 any fees to cover the projected cost of such loan guaran-  
15 tees pursuant to the provisions of the Credit Reform Act  
16 of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), and the interest on such  
17 loans may not be subsidized: *Provided further*, That appli-  
18 cants in communities that have a current rural area waiv-  
19 er under section 541 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42  
20 U.S.C. 1490q) shall be treated as living in a rural area  
21 for purposes of section 502 guaranteed loans provided  
22 under this heading: *Provided further*, That of the amounts  
23 available under this paragraph for section 502 direct  
24 loans, no less than \$5,000,000 shall be available for direct  
25 loans for individuals whose homes will be built pursuant

1 to a program funded with a mutual and self-help housing  
2 grant authorized by section 523 of the Housing Act of  
3 1949 until June 1, 2024: *Provided further*, That the Sec-  
4 retary shall implement provisions to provide incentives to  
5 nonprofit organizations and public housing authorities to  
6 facilitate the acquisition of Rural Housing Service (RHS)  
7 multifamily housing properties by such nonprofit organi-  
8 zations and public housing authorities that commit to keep  
9 such properties in the RHS multifamily housing program  
10 for a period of time as determined by the Secretary, with  
11 such incentives to include, but not be limited to, the fol-  
12 lowing: allow such nonprofit entities and public housing  
13 authorities to earn a Return on Investment on their own  
14 resources to include proceeds from low income housing tax  
15 credit syndication, own contributions, grants, and devel-  
16 oper loans at favorable rates and terms, invested in a deal;  
17 and allow reimbursement of organizational costs associ-  
18 ated with owner's oversight of asset referred to as "Asset  
19 Management Fee" of up to \$7,500 per property.

20 In addition, for the cost of direct loans and grants,  
21 including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section  
22 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,  
23 \$34,000,000, to remain available until expended, for a  
24 demonstration program for the preservation and revital-  
25 ization of the sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family

1 rental housing properties to restructure existing USDA  
2 multi-family housing loans, as the Secretary deems appro-  
3 priate, expressly for the purposes of ensuring the project  
4 has sufficient resources to preserve the project for the pur-  
5 pose of providing safe and affordable housing for low-in-  
6 come residents and farm laborers including reducing or  
7 eliminating interest; deferring loan payments, subordi-  
8 nating, reducing or re-amortizing loan debt; and other fi-  
9 nancial assistance including advances, payments and in-  
10 centives (including the ability of owners to obtain reason-  
11 able returns on investment) required by the Secretary:  
12 *Provided*, That the Secretary shall, as part of the preser-  
13 vation and revitalization agreement, obtain a restrictive  
14 use agreement consistent with the terms of the restruc-  
15 turing.

16 In addition, for the cost of direct loans, grants, and  
17 contracts, as authorized by sections 514 and 516 of the  
18 Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1484, 1486),  
19 \$9,525,000, to remain available until expended, for direct  
20 farm labor housing loans and domestic farm labor housing  
21 grants and contracts.

22 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to  
23 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,  
24 \$412,254,000 shall be paid to the appropriation for  
25 “Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses”.

## 1 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

2 For rental assistance agreements entered into or re-  
3 newed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2)  
4 of the Housing Act of 1949 or agreements entered into  
5 in lieu of debt forgiveness or payments for eligible house-  
6 holds as authorized by section 502(c)(5)(D) of the Hous-  
7 ing Act of 1949, \$1,606,926,000, and in addition such  
8 sums as may be necessary, as authorized by section 521(c)  
9 of the Act, to liquidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year  
10 1992 to carry out the rental assistance program under sec-  
11 tion 521(a)(2) of the Act: *Provided*, That rental assistance  
12 agreements entered into or renewed during the current fis-  
13 cal year shall be funded for a one-year period: *Provided*  
14 *further*, That upon request by an owner of a project fi-  
15 nanced by an existing loan under section 514 or 515 of  
16 the Act, the Secretary may renew the rental assistance  
17 agreement for a period of 20 years or until the term of  
18 such loan has expired, subject to annual appropriations:  
19 *Provided further*, That any unexpended balances remain-  
20 ing at the end of such one-year agreements may be trans-  
21 ferred and used for purposes of any debt reduction, main-  
22 tenance, repair, or rehabilitation of any existing projects;  
23 preservation; and rental assistance activities authorized  
24 under title V of the Act: *Provided further*, That notwith-  
25 standing any other provision of the Act, the Secretary may

1 recapture rental assistance provided under agreements en-  
2 tered into prior to fiscal year 2024 for a project the Sec-  
3 retary determines no longer needs rental assistance and  
4 use such recaptured funds for current needs: *Provided fur-*  
5 *ther*, That such recaptured funds shall remain available  
6 for obligation in fiscal year 2024 for the purposes specified  
7 under the heading: *Provided further*, That such recaptured  
8 rental assistance shall, to the extent practicable, be ap-  
9 plied to another farm labor multi-family housing project  
10 financed under section 514 or 516 of the Act.

11 RURAL HOUSING VOUCHER 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, \$48,000,000,  
15 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the  
16 funds made available under this heading shall be available  
17 for rural housing vouchers to any low-income household  
18 (including those not receiving rental assistance) residing  
19 in a property financed with a section 515 loan which has  
20 been prepaid or otherwise paid off after September 30,  
21 2005: *Provided further*, That the amount of such voucher  
22 shall be the difference between comparable market rent  
23 for the section 515 unit and the tenant paid rent for such  
24 unit: *Provided further*, That funds made available for such  
25 vouchers shall be subject to the availability of annual ap-

1 appropriations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall,  
2 to the maximum extent practicable, administer such  
3 vouchers with current regulations and administrative guid-  
4 ance applicable to section 8 housing vouchers administered  
5 by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban  
6 Development: *Provided further*, That in addition to any  
7 other available funds, the Secretary may expend not more  
8 than \$1,000,000 total, from the program funds made  
9 available under this heading, for administrative expenses  
10 for activities funded under this heading.

11 MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

12 For grants and contracts pursuant to section  
13 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C.  
14 1490c), \$25,000,000, to remain available until expended.

15 RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

16 For grants for very low-income housing repair and  
17 rural housing preservation made by the Rural Housing  
18 Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474, and 1490m,  
19 \$35,000,000, to remain available until expended.

20 RURAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES PROGRAM ACCOUNT

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

22 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-  
23 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306  
24 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated

1 Farm and Rural Development Act, \$2,800,000,000 for di-  
2 rect loans and \$650,000,000 for guaranteed loans.

3 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees and  
4 grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined  
5 in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,  
6 for rural community facilities programs as authorized by  
7 section 306 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the  
8 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act,  
9 \$327,636,000, to remain available until expended, of  
10 which up to \$313,037,000 shall be for the purposes, and  
11 in the amounts, specified for this account in the table ti-  
12 tled “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-  
13 panying this Act: *Provided*, That \$5,000,000 of the  
14 amount appropriated under this heading shall be available  
15 for a Rural Community Development Initiative: *Provided*  
16 *further*, That such funds shall be used solely to develop  
17 the capacity and ability of private, nonprofit community-  
18 based housing and community development organizations,  
19 low-income rural communities, and Federally Recognized  
20 Native American Tribes to undertake projects to improve  
21 housing, community facilities, community and economic  
22 development projects in rural areas: *Provided further*,  
23 That such funds shall be made available to qualified pri-  
24 vate, nonprofit and public intermediary organizations pro-  
25 posing to carry out a program of financial and technical

1 assistance: *Provided further*, That such intermediary orga-  
2 nizations shall provide matching funds from other sources,  
3 including Federal funds for related activities, in an  
4 amount not less than funds provided: *Provided further*,  
5 That any unobligated balances from prior year appropria-  
6 tions under this heading for the cost of direct loans, loan  
7 guarantees and grants, including amounts deobligated or  
8 cancelled, may be made available to cover the subsidy costs  
9 for direct loans and or loan guarantees under this heading  
10 in this fiscal year: *Provided further*, That no amounts may  
11 be made available pursuant to the preceding proviso from  
12 amounts that were designated by the Congress as an  
13 emergency requirement pursuant to a Concurrent Resolu-  
14 tion on the Budget or the Balanced Budget and Emer-  
15 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985, or that were specified  
16 in the table titled “Community Project Funding/Congres-  
17 sionally Directed Spending” in the explanatory statement  
18 for division A of Public Law 117-328 described in section  
19 4 in the matter preceding such division A: *Provided fur-*  
20 *ther*, That \$6,000,000 of the amount appropriated under  
21 this heading shall be available for community facilities  
22 grants to tribal colleges, as authorized by section  
23 306(a)(19) of such Act: *Provided further*, That sections  
24 381E–H and 381N of the Consolidated Farm and Rural



1 Development Act are not applicable to the funds made  
2 available under this heading.

3 RURAL BUSINESS—COOPERATIVE SERVICE

4 RURAL BUSINESS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

5 For the cost of loan guarantees and grants, for the  
6 rural business development programs authorized by sec-  
7 tion 310B and described in subsections (a), (c), (f) and  
8 (g) of section 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural  
9 Development Act, \$68,840,000, to remain available until  
10 expended: *Provided*, That of the amount appropriated  
11 under this heading, not to exceed \$500,000 shall be made  
12 available for one grant to a qualified national organization  
13 to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in  
14 order to promote economic development and \$6,000,000  
15 shall be for grants to the Delta Regional Authority (7  
16 U.S.C. 2009aa et seq.), the Northern Border Regional  
17 Commission (40 U.S.C. 15101 et seq.), and the Appa-  
18 lachian Regional Commission (40 U.S.C. 14101 et seq.)  
19 for any Rural Community Advancement Program purpose  
20 as described in section 381E(d) of the Consolidated Farm  
21 and Rural Development Act, of which not more than 5  
22 percent may be used for administrative expenses: *Provided*  
23 *further*, That of the amount appropriated under this head-  
24 ing, not to exceed \$100,000 shall be made available for  
25 one or more qualified state technology councils to promote

1 private-sector economic development in the bio-sciences:  
2 *Provided further*, That \$4,000,000 of the amount appro-  
3 priated under this heading shall be for business grants to  
4 benefit Federally Recognized Native American Tribes, in-  
5 cluding \$250,000 for a grant to a qualified national orga-  
6 nization to provide technical assistance for rural transpor-  
7 tation in order to promote economic development: *Pro-*  
8 *vided further*, That sections 381E–H and 381N of the  
9 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act are not  
10 applicable to funds made available under 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), \$16,000,000.

16 For the cost of direct loans, \$4,856,000, as author-  
17 ized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Ac-  
18 count (7 U.S.C. 1936b), of which \$331,000 shall be avail-  
19 able through June 30, 2024, for Federally Recognized Na-  
20 tive American Tribes; and of which \$663,000 shall be  
21 available through June 30, 2024, 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 individuals who are members of socially disadvantaged  
2 groups; and of which \$8,000,000, to remain available until  
3 expended, shall be for value-added agricultural product  
4 market development grants, as authorized by section 210A  
5 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.

6 RURAL MICROENTREPRENEUR ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

7 For the principal amount of direct loans as author-  
8 ized by section 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural  
9 Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2008s), \$5,000,000.

10 For the cost of loans and grants, \$6,000,000 under  
11 the same terms and conditions as authorized by section  
12 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development  
13 Act (7 U.S.C. 2008s).

14 RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM

15 For the principal amount of loan guarantees, under  
16 the same terms and conditions as authorized by section  
17 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of  
18 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107), \$50,000,000.

19 RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE

20 RURAL WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM ACCOUNT

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

22 For gross obligations for the principal amount of di-  
23 rect and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306  
24 and described in section 381E(d)(2) of the Consolidated  
25 Farm and Rural Development Act, as follows:

1 \$1,000,000,000 for direct loans; and \$50,000,000 for  
2 guaranteed loans.

3 For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees and  
4 grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined  
5 in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,  
6 for rural water, waste water, waste disposal, and solid  
7 waste management programs authorized by sections 306,  
8 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B and described in sec-  
9 tions 306C(a)(2), 306D, 306E, and 381E(d)(2) of the  
10 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act,  
11 \$587,120,000, to remain available until expended, of  
12 which up to \$119,101,000 shall be for the purposes, and  
13 in the amounts, specified for this account in the table ti-  
14 tled “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-  
15 panying this Act, of which not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall  
16 be available for the rural utilities program described in  
17 section 306(a)(2)(B) of such Act, and of which not to ex-  
18 ceed \$4,000,000 shall be available for the rural utilities  
19 program described in section 306E of such Act: *Provided,*  
20 That not to exceed \$10,000,000 of the amount appro-  
21 priated under this heading shall be for grants authorized  
22 by section 306A(i)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural  
23 Development Act in addition to funding authorized by sec-  
24 tion 306A(i)(1) of such Act: *Provided further,* That  
25 \$30,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-

1 ing shall be for loans and grants including water and  
2 waste disposal systems grants authorized by section  
3 306C(a)(2)(B) and section 306D of the Consolidated  
4 Farm and Rural Development Act, and Federally Recog-  
5 nized Native American Tribes authorized by 306C(a)(1)  
6 of such Act: *Provided further*, That funding provided for  
7 section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Devel-  
8 opment Act may be provided to a consortium formed pur-  
9 suant to section 325 of Public Law 105–83: *Provided fur-*  
10 *ther*, That not more than 2 percent of the funding pro-  
11 vided for section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and  
12 Rural Development Act may be used by the State of Alas-  
13 ka for training and technical assistance programs and not  
14 more than 2 percent of the funding provided for section  
15 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development  
16 Act may be used by a consortium formed pursuant to sec-  
17 tion 325 of Public Law 105–83 for training and technical  
18 assistance programs: *Provided further*, That not to exceed  
19 \$37,500,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-  
20 ing shall be for technical assistance grants for rural water  
21 and waste systems pursuant to section 306(a)(14) of such  
22 Act, unless the Secretary makes a determination of ex-  
23 treme need, of which \$8,500,000 shall be made available  
24 for a grant to a qualified nonprofit multi-State regional  
25 technical assistance organization, with experience in work-

1 ing with small communities on water and waste water  
2 problems, the principal purpose of such grant shall be to  
3 assist rural communities with populations of 3,300 or less,  
4 in improving the planning, financing, development, oper-  
5 ation, and management of water and waste water systems,  
6 and of which not less than \$800,000 shall be for a quali-  
7 fied national Native American organization to provide  
8 technical assistance for rural water systems for tribal com-  
9 munities: *Provided further*, That not to exceed  
10 \$21,817,000 of the amount appropriated under this head-  
11 ing shall be for contracting with qualified national organi-  
12 zations for a circuit rider program to provide technical as-  
13 sistance for rural water systems: *Provided further*, That  
14 not to exceed \$4,000,000 of the amounts made available  
15 under this heading shall be for solid waste management  
16 grants.

17 RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

18 LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

19 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

20 The principal amount of loans and loan guarantees  
21 as authorized by sections 4, 305, 306, 313A, and 317 of  
22 the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 904, 935,  
23 936, 940c-1, and 940g) shall be made as follows: guaran-  
24 teed rural electric loans made pursuant to section 306 of  
25 that Act, \$2,167,000,000; cost of money direct loans made

1 pursuant to sections 4, notwithstanding the one-eighth of  
2 one percent in 4(c)(2), and 317, notwithstanding 317(c),  
3 of that Act, \$4,333,000,000; guaranteed underwriting  
4 loans pursuant to section 313A of that Act, \$900,000,000;  
5 and for cost-of-money rural telecommunications loans  
6 made pursuant to section 305(d)(2) of that Act,  
7 \$690,000,000: *Provided*, That up to \$2,000,000,000 shall  
8 be used for the construction, acquisition, design, engineer-  
9 ing or improvement of fossil-fueled electric generating  
10 plants (whether new or existing) that utilize carbon sub-  
11 surface utilization and storage systems.

12 For the cost of direct loans as authorized by section  
13 305(d)(2) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7  
14 U.S.C. 935(d)(2)), including the cost of modifying loans,  
15 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act  
16 of 1974, cost of money rural telecommunications loans,  
17 \$7,176,000.

18 In addition, \$3,578,000 to remain available until ex-  
19 pended, to carry out section 6407 of the Farm Security  
20 and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107a): *Pro-*  
21 *vided*, That the energy efficiency measures supported by  
22 the funding in this paragraph shall contribute in a demon-  
23 strable way to the reduction of greenhouse gases.

24 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to  
25 carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs,



1 \$33,270,000, which shall be paid to the appropriation for  
2 “Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses”.

3 DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND  
4 PROGRAM

5 For grants for telemedicine and distance learning  
6 services in rural areas, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa  
7 et seq., \$56,973,000, to remain available until expended,  
8 of which up to \$6,973,000 shall be for the purposes, and  
9 in the amounts, specified for this account in the table ti-  
10 tled “Community Project Funding” in the report accom-  
11 panying this Act: *Provided*, That \$3,000,000 shall be  
12 made available for grants authorized by section 379G of  
13 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: *Pro-*  
14 *vided further*, That funding provided under this heading  
15 for grants under section 379G of the Consolidated Farm  
16 and Rural Development Act may only be provided to enti-  
17 ties that meet all of the eligibility criteria for a consortium  
18 as established by this section.

19 For the cost of broadband loans, as authorized by  
20 sections 601 and 602 of the Rural Electrification Act,  
21 \$2,037,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,  
22 That the cost of direct loans shall be as defined in section  
23 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

24 For the cost to continue a broadband loan and grant  
25 pilot program established by section 779 of division A of

1 the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law  
2 115–141) under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as  
3 amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), \$269,385,000, to remain  
4 available until expended, of which up to \$9,385,000 shall  
5 be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this  
6 account in the table titled “Community Project Funding”  
7 in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That the  
8 Secretary may award grants described in section 601(a)  
9 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7  
10 U.S.C. 950bb(a)) for the purposes of carrying out such  
11 pilot program: *Provided further*, That the cost of direct  
12 loans shall be defined in section 502 of the Congressional  
13 Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That at least 90  
14 percent of the households to be served by a project receiv-  
15 ing a loan or grant under the pilot program shall be in  
16 a rural area without sufficient access to broadband: *Pro-*  
17 *vided further*, That for purposes of such pilot program,  
18 a rural area without sufficient access to broadband shall  
19 be defined as twenty-five megabits per second downstream  
20 and three megabits per second upstream: *Provided further*,  
21 That to the extent possible, projects receiving funds pro-  
22 vided under the pilot program must build out service to  
23 at least one hundred megabits per second downstream,  
24 and twenty megabits per second upstream: *Provided fur-*  
25 *ther*, That an entity to which a loan or grant is made

1 under the pilot program shall not use the loan or grant  
2 to overbuild or duplicate broadband service in a service  
3 area by any entity that has received a broadband loan  
4 from the Rural Utilities Service unless such service is not  
5 provided sufficient access to broadband at the minimum  
6 service threshold: *Provided further*, That not more than  
7 four percent of the funds made available in this paragraph  
8 can be used for administrative costs to carry out the pilot  
9 program and up to three percent of funds made available  
10 in this paragraph may be available for technical assistance  
11 and pre-development planning activities to support the  
12 most rural communities: *Provided further*, That the Rural  
13 Utilities Service is directed to expedite program delivery  
14 methods that would implement this paragraph: *Provided*  
15 *further*, That for purposes of this paragraph, the Secretary  
16 shall adhere to the notice, reporting and service area as-  
17 sessment requirements set forth in section 701 of the  
18 Rural Electrification Act (7 U.S.C. 950ee).

19 In addition, \$30,000,000, to remain available until  
20 expended, for the Community Connect Grant Program au-  
21 thorized by 7 U.S.C. 950bb-3.

1 TITLE IV  
2 DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS  
3 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD,  
4 NUTRITION, AND CONSUMER SERVICES

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
6 Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services,  
7 \$800,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this  
8 Act to an agency in the Food, Nutrition and Consumer  
9 Services mission area for salaries and expenses are avail-  
10 able to fund up to one administrative support staff for  
11 the Office.

12 FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE  
13 CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS  
14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 For necessary expenses to carry out the Richard B.  
16 Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et  
17 seq.), except section 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of  
18 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), except sections 17 and  
19 21; \$31,996,363,000 to remain available through Sep-  
20 tember 30, 2025, of which such sums as are made avail-  
21 able under section 14222(b)(1) of the Food, Conservation,  
22 and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246), as  
23 amended by this Act, shall be merged with and available  
24 for the same time period and purposes as provided herein:  
25 *Provided*, That of the total amount available, \$18,004,000

1 shall be available to carry out section 19 of the Child Nu-  
2 trition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.): *Provided*  
3 *further*, That of the total amount available, \$21,005,000  
4 shall be available to carry out studies and evaluations and  
5 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*,  
6 That of the total amount available, \$3,000,000 shall re-  
7 main available until expended to carry out section 18(g)  
8 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42  
9 U.S.C. 1769(g)): *Provided further*, That notwithstanding  
10 section 18(g)(3)(C) of the Richard B. Russell National  
11 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769(g)(3)(c)), the total  
12 grant amount provided to a farm to school grant recipient  
13 in fiscal year 2024 shall not exceed \$500,000: *Provided*  
14 *further*, That of the total amount available, \$20,000,000  
15 shall be available to provide competitive grants to State  
16 agencies for subgrants to local educational agencies and  
17 schools to purchase the equipment, with a value of greater  
18 than \$1,000, needed to serve healthier meals, improve food  
19 safety, and to help support the establishment, mainte-  
20 nance, or expansion of the school breakfast program: *Pro-*  
21 *vided further*, That section 26(d) of the Richard B. Russell  
22 National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769g(d)) is  
23 amended in the first sentence by striking “2010 through  
24 2024” and inserting “2010 through 2025”: *Provided fur-*  
25 *ther*, That section 9(h)(3) of the Richard B. Russell Na-

1 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(h)(3)) is amend-  
2 ed in the first sentence by striking “For fiscal year 2023”  
3 and inserting “For fiscal year 2024”: *Provided further*,  
4 That section 9(h)(4) of the Richard B. Russell National  
5 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(h)(4)) is amended in  
6 the first sentence by striking “For fiscal year 2023” and  
7 inserting “For fiscal year 2024”.

8 SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR  
9 WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

10 For necessary expenses to carry out the special sup-  
11 plemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17  
12 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786),  
13 \$6,000,000,000, to remain available through September  
14 30, 2025: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section  
15 17(h)(10) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.  
16 1786(h)(10)), up to \$90,000,000 shall be used for  
17 breastfeeding peer counselors and other related activities,  
18 and up to \$14,000,000 shall be used for infrastructure:  
19 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall use funds made  
20 available under this heading to increase the amount of a  
21 cash-value voucher to \$11 for child participants, \$13 for  
22 pregnant and postpartum women, and \$15 for fully and  
23 partially breastfeeding women and adjusted for inflation  
24 beginning in fiscal year 2025: *Provided further*, That none  
25 of the funds provided in this account shall be available

1 for the purchase of infant formula except in accordance  
2 with the cost containment and competitive bidding re-  
3 quirements specified in section 17 of such Act: *Provided*  
4 *further*, That none of the funds provided shall be available  
5 for activities that are not fully reimbursed by other Fed-  
6 eral Government departments or agencies unless author-  
7 ized by section 17 of such Act: *Provided further*, That  
8 upon termination of a federally mandated vendor morato-  
9 rium and subject to terms and conditions established by  
10 the Secretary, the Secretary may waive the requirement  
11 at 7 CFR 246.12(g)(6) at the request of a State agency.

12 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

13 For necessary expenses to carry out the Food and  
14 Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.),  
15 \$121,995,757,000, of which \$3,000,000,000, to remain  
16 available through September 30, 2026, shall be placed in  
17 reserve for use only in such amounts and at such times  
18 as may become necessary to carry out program operations:  
19 *Provided*, That funds provided herein shall be expended  
20 in accordance with section 16 of the Food and Nutrition  
21 Act of 2008: *Provided further*, That of the funds made  
22 available under this heading, \$998,000 may be used to  
23 provide nutrition education services to State agencies and  
24 Federally Recognized Tribes participating in the Food  
25 Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: *Provided*

1 *further*, That of the funds made available under this head-  
2 ing, \$3,000,000, to remain available until September 30,  
3 2025, shall be used to carry out section 4003(b) of Public  
4 Law 115–334 relating to demonstration projects for tribal  
5 organizations: *Provided further*, That of the funds made  
6 available under this heading, \$1,000,000 shall be used to  
7 carry out section 4208 of Public law 115-334; *Provided*  
8 *further*, That this appropriation shall be subject to any  
9 work registration or workfare requirements as may be re-  
10 quired by law: *Provided further*, That funds made available  
11 for Employment and Training under this heading shall re-  
12 main available through September 30, 2025: *Provided fur-*  
13 *ther*, That funds made available under this heading for  
14 section 28(d)(1), section 4(b), and section 27(a) of the  
15 Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 shall remain available  
16 through September 30, 2025: *Provided further*, That none  
17 of the funds made available under this heading may be  
18 obligated or expended in contravention of section 213A of  
19 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1183A):  
20 *Provided further*, That funds made available under this  
21 heading may be used to enter into contracts and employ  
22 staff to conduct studies, evaluations, or to conduct activi-  
23 ties related to program integrity provided that such activi-  
24 ties are authorized by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008.



## 1 COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

2 For necessary expenses to carry out disaster assist-  
3 ance and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program as  
4 authorized by section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Con-  
5 sumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c note); the  
6 Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983; special assist-  
7 ance for the nuclear affected islands, as authorized by sec-  
8 tion 103(f)(2) of the Compact of Free Association Amend-  
9 ments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108–188); and the Farm-  
10 ers’ Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by section  
11 17(m) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, \$472,563,000,  
12 to remain available through September 30, 2025: *Pro-*  
13 *vided*, That none of these funds shall be available to reim-  
14 burse the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities  
15 donated to the program: *Provided further*, That notwith-  
16 standing any other provision of law, effective with funds  
17 made available in fiscal year 2024 to support the Seniors  
18 Farmers’ Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by  
19 section 4402 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment  
20 Act of 2002, such funds shall remain available through  
21 September 30, 2025: *Provided further*, That of the funds  
22 made available under section 27(a) of the Food and Nutri-  
23 tion Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)), the Secretary may  
24 use up to 20 percent for costs associated with the distribu-  
25 tion of commodities.

1                   NUTRITION PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

2           For necessary administrative expenses of the Food  
3 and Nutrition Service for carrying out any domestic nutri-  
4 tion assistance program, \$136,861,000: *Provided*, That of  
5 the funds provided herein, \$2,000,000 shall be used for  
6 the purposes of section 4404 of Public Law 107–171, as  
7 amended by section 4401 of Public Law 110–246.

1 TITLE V  
2 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED  
3 PROGRAMS

4 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND  
5 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
7 Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs,  
8 \$875,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this  
9 Act to any agency in the Trade and Foreign Agricultural  
10 Affairs mission area for salaries and expenses are avail-  
11 able to fund up to one administrative support staff for  
12 the Office.

13 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE  
14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
15 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16 For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural  
17 Service, including not to exceed \$250,000 for representa-  
18 tion allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of  
19 the Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766),  
20 \$237,330,000, of which no more than 6 percent shall re-  
21 main available until September 30, 2025, for overseas op-  
22 erations to include the payment of locally employed staff:  
23 *Provided*, That the Service may utilize advances of funds,  
24 or reimburse this appropriation for expenditures made on  
25 behalf of Federal agencies, public and private organiza-

1 tions and institutions under agreements executed pursu-  
2 ant to the agricultural food production assistance pro-  
3 grams (7 U.S.C. 1737) and the foreign assistance pro-  
4 grams of the United States Agency for International De-  
5 velopment: *Provided further*, That funds made available  
6 for middle-income country training programs, funds made  
7 available for the Borlaug International Agricultural  
8 Science and Technology Fellowship program, and up to  
9 \$2,000,000 of the Foreign Agricultural Service appropria-  
10 tion solely for the purpose of offsetting fluctuations in  
11 international currency exchange rates, subject to docu-  
12 mentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service, shall re-  
13 main available until expended.

14 FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE II GRANTS

15 For expenses during the current fiscal year, not oth-  
16 erwise recoverable, and unrecovered prior years' costs, in-  
17 cluding interest thereon, under the Food for Peace Act  
18 (Public Law 83-480), for commodities supplied in connec-  
19 tion with dispositions abroad under title II of said Act,  
20 \$1,740,000,000, to remain available until expended.

21 MCGOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR EDUCATION  
22 AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM GRANTS

23 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions  
24 of section 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-  
25 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 1736o-1), \$240,000,000, to

1 remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Com-  
2 modity Credit Corporation is authorized to provide the  
3 services, facilities, and authorities for the purpose of im-  
4 plementing such section, subject to reimbursement from  
5 amounts provided herein: *Provided further*, That of the  
6 amount made available under this heading, not more than  
7 10 percent, but not less than \$24,000,000, shall remain  
8 available until expended to purchase agricultural commod-  
9 ities as described in subsection 3107(a)(2) of the Farm  
10 Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C.  
11 1736o–1(a)(2)).

12 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT (LOANS)  
13 CREDIT GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
14 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

15 For administrative expenses to carry out the Com-  
16 modity Credit Corporation’s Export Guarantee Program,  
17 GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$6,063,000, to cover common  
18 overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Com-  
19 modity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity  
20 with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, which shall  
21 be paid to the appropriation for “Foreign Agricultural  
22 Service, Salaries and Expenses”.

1 TITLE VI  
2 RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG  
3 ADMINISTRATION  
4 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
5 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION  
6 SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
7 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

8 For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Ad-  
9 ministration, including hire and purchase of passenger  
10 motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related  
11 costs pursuant to Public Law 92–313 for programs and  
12 activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are  
13 included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space  
14 in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; in addition to  
15 amounts appropriated to the FDA Innovation Account, for  
16 carrying out the activities described in section 1002(b)(4)  
17 of the 21st Century Cures Act (Public Law 114–255); for  
18 miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement ac-  
19 tivities, authorized and approved by the Secretary and to  
20 be accounted for solely on the Secretary’s certificate, not  
21 to exceed \$25,000; and notwithstanding section 521 of  
22 Public Law 107–188; \$6,579,030,000: *Provided*, That of  
23 the amount provided under this heading, \$1,336,525,000  
24 shall be derived from prescription drug user fees author-  
25 ized by 21 U.S.C. 379h, and shall be credited to this ac-

1 count and remain available until expended; \$331,273,000  
2 shall be derived from medical device user fees authorized  
3 by 21 U.S.C. 379j, and shall be credited to this account  
4 and remain available until expended; \$594,150,000 shall  
5 be derived from human generic drug user fees authorized  
6 by 21 U.S.C. 379j–42, and shall be credited to this ac-  
7 count and remain available until expended; \$42,432,000  
8 shall be derived from biosimilar biological product user  
9 fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–52, and shall be cred-  
10 ited to this account and remain available until expended;  
11 \$33,500,000 shall be derived from animal drug user fees  
12 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–12, and shall be credited  
13 to this account and remain available until expended;  
14 \$25,000,000 shall be derived from generic new animal  
15 drug user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–21, and shall  
16 be credited to this account and remain available until ex-  
17 pended; \$712,000,000 shall be derived from tobacco prod-  
18 uct user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 387s, and shall be  
19 credited to this account and remain available until ex-  
20 pended: *Provided further*, That in addition to and notwith-  
21 standing any other provision under this heading, amounts  
22 collected for prescription drug user fees, medical device  
23 user fees, human generic drug user fees, biosimilar biologi-  
24 cal product user fees, animal drug user fees, and generic  
25 new animal drug user fees that exceed the respective fiscal

1 year 2024 limitations are appropriated and shall be cred-  
2 ited to this account and remain available until expended:  
3 *Provided further*, That fees derived from prescription drug,  
4 medical device, human generic drug, biosimilar biological  
5 product, animal drug, and generic new animal drug as-  
6 sessments for fiscal year 2024, including any such fees  
7 collected prior to fiscal year 2024 but credited for fiscal  
8 year 2024, shall be subject to the fiscal year 2024 limita-  
9 tions: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may accept  
10 payment during fiscal year 2024 of user fees specified  
11 under this heading and authorized for fiscal year 2025,  
12 prior to the due date for such fees, and that amounts of  
13 such fees assessed for fiscal year 2025 for which the Sec-  
14 retary accepts payment in fiscal year 2024 shall not be  
15 included in amounts under this heading: *Provided further*,  
16 That none of these funds shall be used to develop, estab-  
17 lish, or operate any program of user fees authorized by  
18 31 U.S.C. 9701: *Provided further*, That of the total  
19 amount appropriated: (1) \$1,190,536,000 shall be for the  
20 Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition and related  
21 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which  
22 no less than \$15,000,000 shall be used for inspections of  
23 foreign seafood manufacturers and field examinations of  
24 imported seafood; (2) \$2,316,063,000 shall be for the  
25 Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and related



1 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which  
2 no less than \$10,000,000 shall be for pilots to increase  
3 unannounced foreign inspections and shall remain avail-  
4 able until expended; (3) \$492,314,000 shall be for the  
5 Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research and for re-  
6 lated field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs;  
7 (4) \$283,678,000 shall be for the Center for Veterinary  
8 Medicine and for related field activities in the Office of  
9 Regulatory Affairs; (5) \$739,854,000 shall be for the Cen-  
10 ter for Devices and Radiological Health and for related  
11 field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (6)  
12 \$76,534,000 shall be for the National Center for Toxi-  
13 cological Research; (7) \$677,165,000 shall be for the Cen-  
14 ter for Tobacco Products and for related field activities  
15 in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (8) \$214,304,000 shall  
16 be for Rent and Related activities, of which \$55,729,000  
17 is for White Oak Consolidation, other than the amounts  
18 paid to the General Services Administration for rent; (9)  
19 \$227,708,000 shall be for payments to the General Serv-  
20 ices Administration for rent; and (10) \$360,874,000 shall  
21 be for other activities, including the Office of the Commis-  
22 sioner of Food and Drugs, the Office of Food Policy and  
23 Response, the Office of Operations, the Office of the Chief  
24 Scientist, and central services for these offices: *Provided*  
25 *further*, That not to exceed \$25,000 of this amount shall

1 be for official reception and representation expenses, not  
2 otherwise provided for, as determined by the Commis-  
3 sioner: *Provided further*, That any transfer of funds pursu-  
4 ant to, and for the administration of, section 770(n) of  
5 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.  
6 379dd(n)) shall only be from amounts made available  
7 under this heading for other activities and shall not exceed  
8 \$2,000,000: *Provided further*, That of the amounts that  
9 are made available under this heading for “other activi-  
10 ties”, and that are not derived from user fees, \$1,500,000  
11 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation  
12 for “Department of Health and Human Services—Office  
13 of Inspector General” for oversight of the programs and  
14 operations of the Food and Drug Administration and shall  
15 be in addition to funds otherwise made available for over-  
16 sight of the Food and Drug Administration: *Provided fur-*  
17 *ther*, That funds may be transferred from one specified  
18 activity to another with the prior approval of the Commit-  
19 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

20 In addition, mammography user fees authorized by  
21 42 U.S.C. 263b, export certification user fees authorized  
22 by 21 U.S.C. 381, priority review user fees authorized by  
23 21 U.S.C. 360n and 360ff, food and feed recall fees, food  
24 reinspection fees, and voluntary qualified importer pro-  
25 gram fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–31, outsourcing

1 facility fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–62, prescription  
2 drug wholesale distributor licensing and inspection fees  
3 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 353(e)(3), third-party logistics  
4 provider licensing and inspection fees authorized by 21  
5 U.S.C. 360eee–3(c)(1), third-party auditor fees authorized  
6 by 21 U.S.C. 384d(c)(8), medical countermeasure priority  
7 review voucher user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 360bbb–  
8 4a, and fees relating to over-the-counter monograph drugs  
9 authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j–72 shall be credited to this  
10 account, to remain available until expended.

11 FDA INNOVATION ACCOUNT, CURES ACT

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

13 For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes de-  
14 scribed under section 1002(b)(4) of the 21st Century  
15 Cures Act, in addition to amounts available for such pur-  
16 poses under the heading “Salaries and Expenses”,  
17 \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
18 *vided*, That amounts appropriated in this paragraph are  
19 appropriated pursuant to section 1002(b)(3) of the 21st  
20 Century Cures Act, are to be derived from amounts trans-  
21 ferred under section 1002(b)(2)(A) of such Act, and may  
22 be transferred by the Commissioner of Food and Drugs  
23 to the appropriation for “Department of Health and  
24 Human Services Food and Drug Administration Salaries  
25 and Expenses” solely for the purposes provided in such

1 Act: *Provided further*, That upon a determination by the  
2 Commissioner that funds transferred pursuant to the pre-  
3 vious proviso are not necessary for the purposes provided,  
4 such amounts may be transferred back to the account:  
5 *Provided further*, That such transfer authority is in addi-  
6 tion to any other transfer authority provided by law.

## 7 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

### 8 COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

#### 9 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions  
11 of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), in-  
12 cluding the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles,  
13 and the rental of space (to include multiple year leases),  
14 in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, \$345,000,000,  
15 including not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception and  
16 representation expenses, and not to exceed \$25,000 for the  
17 expenses for consultations and meetings hosted by the  
18 Commission with foreign governmental and other regu-  
19 latory officials, of which not less than \$20,000,000 shall  
20 remain available until September 30, 2025, and of which  
21 not less than \$4,218,000 shall be for expenses of the Of-  
22 fice of the Inspector General: *Provided*, That notwith-  
23 standing the limitations in 31 U.S.C. 1553, amounts pro-  
24 vided under this heading are available for the liquidation  
25 of obligations equal to current year payments on leases

1 entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act:  
2 *Provided further*, That for the purpose of recording and  
3 liquidating any lease obligations that should have been re-  
4 corded and liquidated against accounts closed pursuant to  
5 31 U.S.C. 1552, and consistent with the preceding pro-  
6 viso, such amounts shall be transferred to and recorded  
7 in a no-year account in the Treasury, which has been es-  
8 tablished for the sole purpose of recording adjustments for  
9 and liquidating such unpaid obligations.

10 FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

11 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

12 Not to exceed \$94,300,000 (from assessments col-  
13 lected from farm credit institutions, including the Federal  
14 Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated  
15 during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses  
16 as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249: *Provided*, That this  
17 limitation shall not apply to expenses associated with re-  
18 ceiverships: *Provided further*, That the agency may exceed  
19 this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification to the  
20 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-  
21 gress: *Provided further*, That the purposes of section  
22 3.7(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 (12 U.S.C.  
23 2128(b)(2)(A)(i)), the Farm Credit Administration may  
24 exempt, an amount in its sole discretion, from the applica-  
25 tion of the limitation provided in that clause of export

1 loans described in the clause guaranteed or insured in a  
2 manner other than described in subclause (II) of the  
3 clause.

1 TITLE VII  
2 GENERAL PROVISIONS

3 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS AND TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

4 SEC. 701. The Secretary may use any appropriations  
5 made available to the Department of Agriculture in this  
6 Act to purchase new passenger motor vehicles, in addition  
7 to specific appropriations for this purpose, so long as the  
8 total number of vehicles purchased in fiscal year 2024  
9 does not exceed the number of vehicles owned or leased  
10 in fiscal year 2018: *Provided*, That, prior to purchasing  
11 additional motor vehicles, the Secretary must determine  
12 that such vehicles are necessary for transportation safety,  
13 to reduce operational costs, and for the protection of life,  
14 property, and public safety: *Provided further*, That the  
15 Secretary may not increase the Department of Agri-  
16 culture's fleet above the 2018 level unless the Secretary  
17 notifies in writing, and receives approval from, the Com-  
18 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress  
19 within 30 days of the notification.

20 SEC. 702. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
21 this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer unobli-  
22 gated balances of discretionary funds appropriated by this  
23 Act or any other available unobligated discretionary bal-  
24 ances that are remaining available of the Department of  
25 Agriculture to the Working Capital Fund for the acquisi-

1 tion of property, plant and equipment and for the improve-  
2 ment, delivery, and implementation of Department finan-  
3 cial, and administrative information technology services,  
4 and other support systems necessary for the delivery of  
5 financial, administrative, and information technology serv-  
6 ices, including cloud adoption and migration, of primary  
7 benefit to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture,  
8 such transferred funds to remain available until expended:  
9 *Provided*, That none of the funds made available by this  
10 Act or any other Act shall be transferred to the Working  
11 Capital Fund without the prior approval of the agency ad-  
12 ministrator: *Provided further*, That none of the funds  
13 transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to this  
14 section shall be available for obligation without written no-  
15 tification to and the prior approval of the Committees on  
16 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided fur-*  
17 *ther*, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act or  
18 made available to the Department's Working Capital  
19 Fund shall be available for obligation or expenditure to  
20 make any changes to the Department's National Finance  
21 Center without written notification to and prior approval  
22 of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of  
23 Congress as required by section 716 of this Act: *Provided*  
24 *further*, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act  
25 or made available to the Department's Working Capital



1 Fund shall be available for obligation or expenditure to  
2 initiate, plan, develop, implement, or make any changes  
3 to remove or relocate any systems, missions, personnel, or  
4 functions of the offices of the Chief Financial Officer and  
5 the Chief Information Officer, co-located with or from the  
6 National Finance Center prior to written notification to  
7 and prior approval of the Committee on Appropriations  
8 of both Houses of Congress and in accordance with the  
9 requirements of section 716 of this Act: *Provided further,*  
10 That the National Finance Center Information Tech-  
11 nology Services Division personnel and data center man-  
12 agement responsibilities, and control of any functions,  
13 missions, and systems for current and future human re-  
14 sources management and integrated personnel and payroll  
15 systems (PPS) and functions provided by the Chief Finan-  
16 cial Officer and the Chief Information Officer shall remain  
17 in the National Finance Center and under the manage-  
18 ment responsibility and administrative control of the Na-  
19 tional Finance Center: *Provided further,* That the Sec-  
20 retary of Agriculture and the offices of the Chief Financial  
21 Officer shall actively market to existing and new Depart-  
22 ments and other government agencies National Finance  
23 Center shared services including, but not limited to, pay-  
24 roll, financial management, and human capital shared  
25 services and allow the National Finance Center to perform

1 technology upgrades: *Provided further*, That of annual in-  
2 come amounts in the Working Capital Fund of the De-  
3 partment of Agriculture attributable to the amounts in ex-  
4 cess of the true costs of the shared services provided by  
5 the National Finance Center and budgeted for the Na-  
6 tional Finance Center, the Secretary shall reserve not  
7 more than 4 percent for the replacement or acquisition  
8 of capital equipment, including equipment for the improve-  
9 ment, delivery, and implementation of financial, adminis-  
10 trative, and information technology services, and other  
11 systems of the National Finance Center or to pay any un-  
12 foreseen, extraordinary cost of the National Finance Cen-  
13 ter: *Provided further*, That none of the amounts reserved  
14 shall be available for obligation unless the Secretary sub-  
15 mits written notification of the obligation to the Commit-  
16 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: *Pro-*  
17 *vided further*, That the limitations on the obligation of  
18 funds pending notification to Congressional Committees  
19 shall not apply to any obligation that, as determined by  
20 the Secretary, is necessary to respond to a declared state  
21 of emergency that significantly impacts the operations of  
22 the National Finance Center; or to evacuate employees of  
23 the National Finance Center to a safe haven to continue  
24 operations 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 notwith-  
12 standing section 11319 of title 40, United States Code,  
13 none of the funds available to the Department of Agri-  
14 culture for information technology shall be obligated for  
15 projects, contracts, or other agreements over \$25,000  
16 prior to receipt of written approval by the Chief Informa-  
17 tion Officer: *Provided further*, That the Chief Information  
18 Officer may authorize an agency to obligate funds without  
19 written approval from the Chief Information Officer for  
20 projects, contracts, or other agreements up to \$250,000  
21 based upon the performance of an agency measured  
22 against the performance plan requirements described in  
23 the explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 113–  
24 235.

1           SEC. 707. Funds made available under section 524(b)  
2 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1524(b)) in  
3 the current fiscal year shall remain available until ex-  
4 pended to disburse obligations made in the current fiscal  
5 year.

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

14          SEC. 709. Except as otherwise specifically provided  
15 by law, not more than \$20,000,000 in unobligated bal-  
16 ances from appropriations made available for salaries and  
17 expenses in this Act for the Farm Service Agency shall  
18 remain available through September 30, 2025, for infor-  
19 mation technology expenses.

20          SEC. 710. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
21 wise made available by this Act may be used for first-class  
22 travel by the employees of agencies funded by this Act in  
23 contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124  
24 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

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

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

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

20      SEC. 712. Of the funds made available by this Act,  
21 not more than \$2,900,000 shall be used to cover necessary  
22 expenses of activities related to all advisory committees,  
23 panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department  
24 of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with nego-

1 tiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competi-  
2 tively awarded grants.

3 SEC. 713. (a) None of the funds made available in  
4 this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer  
5 network unless such network blocks the viewing,  
6 downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

7 (b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of  
8 funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law  
9 enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out crimi-  
10 nal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

11 SEC. 714. Notwithstanding subsection (b) of section  
12 14222 of Public Law 110–246 (7 U.S.C. 612c–6; in this  
13 section referred to as “section 14222”), none of the funds  
14 appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any  
15 other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses  
16 of personnel to carry out a program under section 32 of  
17 the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c; in this section  
18 referred to as “section 32”) in excess of \$1,573,666,000,  
19 as follows: Child Nutrition Programs Entitlement Com-  
20 modities—\$485,000,000; State Option Contracts—  
21 \$5,000,000; Removal of Defective Commodities—  
22 \$2,500,000; Administration of section 32 Commodity Pur-  
23 chases—\$37,178,000: *Provided*, That none of the funds  
24 made available in this Act or any other Act shall be used  
25 for salaries and expenses to carry out in this fiscal year

1 section 19(i)(1)(E) of the Richard B. Russell National  
2 School Lunch Act, as amended, except in an amount that  
3 excludes the transfer of \$195,000,000 of the funds to be  
4 transferred under subsection (e) of section 14222 of Pub-  
5 lic Law 110-246, until October 1, 2024: *Provided further,*  
6 That \$195,000,000 made available on October 1, 2024,  
7 to carry out section 19(i)(1)(E) of the Richard B. Russell  
8 National School Lunch Act, as amended, shall be excluded  
9 from the limitation described in subsection (b)(2)(A)(x) of  
10 section 14222 of Public Law 110-246 for fiscal year 2025:  
11 *Provided further,* That, none of the funds appropriated or  
12 otherwise made available by this or any other Act shall  
13 be used during fiscal year 2024 to pay the salaries or ex-  
14 penses of any employee of the Department of Agriculture  
15 to carry out clause (3) of section 32 of the Agricultural  
16 Adjustment Act of 1935 (Public Law 74-320, 7 U.S.C.  
17 612c, as amended), or subsections (a) through (g) of sec-  
18 tion 5 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act:  
19 *Provided further,* That of the available unobligated bal-  
20 ances under (b)(2)(A)(x) for fiscal year 2024 of section  
21 14222 of Public Law 110-246, \$505,000,000 are re-  
22 scinded.

23 SEC. 715. None of the funds appropriated by this or  
24 any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and ex-  
25 penses of personnel who prepare or submit appropriations



1 language as part of the President’s budget submission to  
2 the Congress for programs under the jurisdiction of the  
3 Appropriations Subcommittees on Agriculture, Rural De-  
4 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related  
5 Agencies that assumes revenues or reflects a reduction  
6 from the previous year due to user fees proposals that  
7 have not been enacted into law prior to the submission  
8 of the budget unless such budget submission identifies  
9 which additional spending reductions should occur in the  
10 event the user fees proposals are not enacted prior to the  
11 date of the convening of a committee of conference for  
12 the fiscal year 2024 appropriations Act.

13       SEC. 716. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act,  
14 or provided by previous appropriations Acts to the agen-  
15 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation  
16 or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from  
17 any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of  
18 fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be  
19 available for obligation or expenditure through a re-  
20 programming, transfer of funds, or reimbursements as au-  
21 thorized by the Economy Act, or in the case of the Depart-  
22 ment of Agriculture, through use of the authority provided  
23 by section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Or-  
24 ganic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257) or section 8 of Public  
25 Law 89–106 (7 U.S.C. 2263), that—

1 (1) creates new programs;

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

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

6 (4) relocates an office or employees;

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

8 or

9 (6) contracts out or privatizes any functions or  
10 activities presently performed by Federal employees;  
11 unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of  
12 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-  
13 modity Futures Trading Commission (as the case may be)  
14 notifies in writing and receives approval from the Commit-  
15 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least  
16 30 days in advance of the reprogramming of such funds  
17 or the use of such authority.

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

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

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

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

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

13 unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of  
14 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-  
15 modity Futures Trading Commission (as the case may be)  
16 notifies in writing and receives approval from the Commit-  
17 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least  
18 30 days in advance of the reprogramming or transfer of  
19 such funds or the use of such authority.

20 (c) The Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of  
21 Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Com-  
22 modity Futures Trading Commission shall notify in writ-  
23 ing and receive approval from the Committees on Appro-  
24 priations of both Houses of Congress before implementing  
25 any program or activity not carried out during the pre-

1 vious fiscal year unless the program or activity is funded  
2 by this Act 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 three 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, the  
3 Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Chair-  
4 man of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission re-  
5 ceives from the Committee on Appropriations of both  
6 Houses of Congress written or electronic mail confirma-  
7 tion of receipt of the notification as required in this sec-  
8 tion.

9 SEC. 717. Notwithstanding section 310B(g)(5) of the  
10 Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.  
11 1932(g)(5)), the Secretary may assess a one-time fee for  
12 any guaranteed business and industry loan in an amount  
13 that does not exceed 3 percent of the guaranteed principal  
14 portion of the loan.

15 SEC. 718. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
16 wise made available to the Department of Agriculture, the  
17 Food and Drug Administration, the Commodity Futures  
18 Trading Commission, or the Farm Credit Administration  
19 shall be used to transmit or otherwise make available re-  
20 ports, questions, or responses to questions that are a re-  
21 sult of information requested for the appropriations hear-  
22 ing process to any non-Department of Agriculture, non-  
23 Department of Health and Human Services, non-Com-  
24 modity Futures Trading Commission, or non-Farm Credit  
25 Administration employee.

1       SEC. 719. Unless otherwise authorized by existing  
2 law, none of the funds provided in this Act, may be used  
3 by an executive branch agency to produce any pre-  
4 packaged news story intended for broadcast or distribution  
5 in the United States unless the story includes a clear noti-  
6 fication within the text or audio of the prepackaged news  
7 story that the prepackaged news story was prepared or  
8 funded by that executive branch agency.

9       SEC. 720. No employee of the Department of Agri-  
10 culture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or  
11 office funded by this Act or any other Act to any other  
12 agency or office of the Department for more than 60 days  
13 in a fiscal year unless the individual's employing agency  
14 or office is fully reimbursed by the receiving agency or  
15 office for the salary and expenses of the employee for the  
16 period of assignment.

17       SEC. 721. Not later than 30 days after the date of  
18 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, the  
19 Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, the  
20 Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commis-  
21 sion, and the Chairman of the Farm Credit Administra-  
22 tion shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of  
23 both Houses of Congress a detailed spending plan by pro-  
24 gram, project, and activity for all the funds made available

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

3 SEC. 722. Of the unobligated balances from amounts  
4 made available to the Secretary of Agriculture in section  
5 22002(a)(1) of Public Law 117-169, \$500,000,000 are  
6 hereby rescinded.

7 SEC. 723. For the purposes of determining eligibility  
8 or level of program assistance for Rural Development pro-  
9 grams the Secretary shall not include incarcerated prison  
10 populations.

11 SEC. 724. For loans and loan guarantees that do not  
12 require budget authority and the program level has been  
13 established in this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may  
14 increase the program level for such loans and loan guaran-  
15 tees by not more than 25 percent: *Provided*, That prior  
16 to the Secretary implementing such an increase, the Sec-  
17 retary notifies, in writing, the Committees on Appropria-  
18 tions of both Houses of Congress at least 15 days in ad-  
19 vance.

20 SEC. 725. None of the credit card refunds or rebates  
21 transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to sec-  
22 tion 729 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and  
23 Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropria-  
24 tions Act, 2002 (7 U.S.C. 2235a; Public Law 107-76)  
25 shall be available for obligation without written notifica-

1 tion to, and the prior approval of, the Committees on Ap-  
2 propriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided*, That  
3 the refunds or rebates so transferred shall be available for  
4 obligation only for the acquisition of property, plant and  
5 equipment, including equipment for the improvement, de-  
6 livery, and implementation of Departmental financial  
7 management, information technology, and other support  
8 systems necessary for the delivery of financial, administra-  
9 tive, and information technology services, including cloud  
10 adoption and migration, of primary benefit to the agencies  
11 of the Department of Agriculture.

12       SEC. 726. For fiscal year 2024, the Secretary shall  
13 establish a process under which an establishment that is  
14 subject to examination and inspection under section 6 of  
15 the Federal Meat Inspection Act solely due to the estab-  
16 lishment's processing of domestic, wild caught, invasive  
17 blue catfish (*Ictalurus furcatus*) solely for domestic con-  
18 sumption or use, may apply for a waiver of such examina-  
19 tion and inspection requirements if the establishment is  
20 subject to inspection under the Seafood Hazard Analysis  
21 Critical Control Points Program of the Food and Drug  
22 Administration and the establishment attests that it ap-  
23 plies existing Seafood Hazard Critical Control Points Pro-  
24 gram for all species processed at the establishment.



1           SEC. 727. None of the funds made available by this  
2 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the  
3 “variety” requirements of the final rule entitled “Enhanc-  
4 ing Retailer Standards in the Supplemental Nutrition As-  
5 sistance Program (SNAP)” published by the Department  
6 of Agriculture in the Federal Register on December 15,  
7 2016 (81 Fed. Reg. 90675) until the Secretary of Agri-  
8 culture amends the definition of the term “variety” as de-  
9 fined in section 278.1(b)(1)(ii)(C) of title 7, Code of Fed-  
10 eral Regulations, and “variety” as applied in the definition  
11 of the term “staple food” as defined in section 271.2 of  
12 title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, to increase the num-  
13 ber of items that qualify as acceptable varieties in each  
14 staple food category so that the total number of such items  
15 in each staple food category exceeds the number of such  
16 items in each staple food category included in the final  
17 rule as published on December 15, 2016: *Provided*, That  
18 until the Secretary promulgates such regulatory amend-  
19 ments, the Secretary shall apply the requirements regard-  
20 ing acceptable varieties and breadth of stock to Supple-  
21 mental Nutrition Assistance Program retailers that were  
22 in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of  
23 the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79).

24           SEC. 728. Section 756 of division N of the Consoli-  
25 dated Appropriations Act, 2021 (7 U.S.C. 2254c), is

1 amended by striking “each of fiscal years 2021 and 2022”  
2 and inserting “fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year there-  
3 after”.

4 SEC. 729. In carrying out subsection (h) of section  
5 502 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472), the  
6 Secretary of Agriculture shall have the same authority  
7 with respect to loans guaranteed under such section and  
8 eligible lenders for such loans as the Secretary has under  
9 subsections (h) and (j) of section 538 of such Act (42  
10 U.S.C. 1490p-2) with respect to loans guaranteed under  
11 such section 538 and eligible lenders for such loans.

12 SEC. 730. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
13 wise made available by this Act shall be available for the  
14 United States Department of Agriculture to propose, fi-  
15 nalize or implement any regulation that would promulgate  
16 new user fees pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9701 after the date  
17 of the enactment of this Act.

18 SEC. 731. Of the unobligated balances from amounts  
19 made available for the supplemental nutrition program as  
20 authorized by section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of  
21 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786), \$500,000,000 are hereby re-  
22 scinded: *Provided*, That no amounts may be rescinded  
23 from amounts that were designated by the Congress as  
24 an emergency requirement pursuant to a Concurrent Res-

1 olution on the Budget or the Balanced Budget and Emer-  
2 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

3       SEC. 732. Notwithstanding any provision of law that  
4 regulates the calculation and payment of overtime and hol-  
5 iday pay for FSIS inspectors, the Secretary may charge  
6 establishments subject to the inspection requirements of  
7 the Poultry Products Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 451 et  
8 seq., the Federal Meat Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 601 et  
9 seq, and the Egg Products Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 1031  
10 et seq., for the cost of inspection services provided outside  
11 of an establishment's approved inspection shifts, and for  
12 inspection services provided on Federal holidays: *Provided*,  
13 That any sums charged pursuant to this paragraph shall  
14 be deemed as overtime pay or holiday pay under section  
15 1001(d) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public  
16 Law 117-2, 135 Stat. 242): *Provided further*, That sums  
17 received by the Secretary under this paragraph shall, in  
18 addition to other available funds, remain available until  
19 expended to the Secretary without further appropriation  
20 for the purpose of funding all costs associated with FSIS  
21 inspections.

22       SEC. 733. Of the unobligated balances from amounts  
23 made available to the Secretary of Agriculture in section  
24 9003(j)(1) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment  
25 Act of 2002, \$3,250,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

1       SEC. 734. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture shall—

2               (1) conduct audits in a manner that evaluates  
3       the following factors in the country or region being  
4       audited, as applicable—

5               (A) veterinary control and oversight;

6               (B) disease history and vaccination prac-  
7       tices;

8               (C) livestock demographics and  
9       traceability;

10              (D) epidemiological separation from poten-  
11       tial sources of infection;

12              (E) surveillance practices;

13              (F) diagnostic laboratory capabilities; and

14              (G) emergency preparedness and response;

15       and

16              (2) promptly make publicly available the final  
17       reports of any audits or reviews conducted pursuant  
18       to subsection (1).

19       (b) This section shall be applied in a manner con-  
20       sistent with United States obligations under its inter-  
21       national trade agreements.

22       SEC. 735. (a)(1) No Federal funds made available for  
23       this fiscal year for the rural water, waste water, waste dis-  
24       posal, and solid waste management programs authorized  
25       by sections 306, 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B of

1 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7  
2 U.S.C. 1926 et seq.) shall be used for a project for the  
3 construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public  
4 water or wastewater system unless all of the iron and steel  
5 products used in the project are produced in the United  
6 States.

7 (2) In this section, the term “iron and steel products”  
8 means the following products made primarily of iron or  
9 steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers  
10 and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges,  
11 pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, rein-  
12 forced precast concrete, and construction materials.

13 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or cat-  
14 egory of cases in which the Secretary of Agriculture (in  
15 this section referred to as the “Secretary”) or the designee  
16 of the Secretary finds that—

17 (1) applying subsection (a) would be incon-  
18 sistent with the public interest;

19 (2) iron and steel products are not produced in  
20 the United States in sufficient and reasonably avail-  
21 able quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or

22 (3) inclusion of iron and steel products pro-  
23 duced in the United States will increase the cost of  
24 the overall project by more than 25 percent.

1 (c) If the Secretary or the designee receives a request  
2 for a waiver under this section, the Secretary or the des-  
3 ignee shall make available to the public on an informal  
4 basis a copy of the request and information available to  
5 the Secretary or the designee concerning the request, and  
6 shall allow for informal public input on the request for  
7 at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the  
8 request. The Secretary or the designee shall make the re-  
9 quest and accompanying information available by elec-  
10 tronic means, including on the official public Internet Web  
11 site of the Department.

12 (d) This section shall be applied in a manner con-  
13 sistent with United States obligations under international  
14 agreements.

15 (e) The Secretary may retain up to 0.25 percent of  
16 the funds appropriated in this Act for “Rural Utilities  
17 Service—Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Ac-  
18 count” for carrying out the provisions described in sub-  
19 section (a)(1) for management and oversight of the re-  
20 quirements of this section.

21 (f) Subsection (a) shall not apply with respect to a  
22 project for which the engineering plans and specifications  
23 include use of iron and steel products otherwise prohibited  
24 by such subsection if the plans and specifications have re-

1 ceived required approvals from State agencies prior to the  
2 date of enactment of this Act.

3 (g) For purposes of this section, the terms “United  
4 States” and “State” shall include each of the several  
5 States, the District of Columbia, and each Federally rec-  
6 ognized Indian Tribe.

7 SEC. 736. None of the funds appropriated by this Act  
8 may be used in any way, directly or indirectly, to influence  
9 congressional action on any legislation or appropriation  
10 matters pending before Congress, other than to commu-  
11 nicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C.  
12 1913.

13 SEC. 737. None of the funds made available by this  
14 or any other Act thereafter may be used to write, prepare,  
15 or publish a proposed rule, final rule, or an interim final  
16 rule in furtherance of, or otherwise to implement or en-  
17 force the proposed rule entitled “Transparency in Poultry  
18 Grower Contracting Tournaments,” published by the De-  
19 partment of Agriculture in the Federal Register on June  
20 8, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 34980 et seq.), the advance notice  
21 of proposed rulemaking entitled “Poultry Growing Tour-  
22 nament Systems: Fairness and Related Concerns,” pub-  
23 lished by the Department of Agriculture in the Federal  
24 Register on June 8, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 34814) (also  
25 identified in the White House Office of Management and

1 Budget’s Fall 2022 Unified Agenda of Regulatory and De-  
2 regulatory Actions as “Poultry Growing Tournament Sys-  
3 tems: Fairness and Related Concerns—Harm to Competi-  
4 tion (AMS-FTPP-22-0046),” RIN 0581-AE18), the pro-  
5 posed rule entitled “Inclusive Competition and Market In-  
6 tegrity Under the Packers and Stockyards Act,” published  
7 by the Department of Agriculture in the Federal Register  
8 on October 3, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 60010 et seq.), the rule-  
9 making identified in the White House Office of Manage-  
10 ment and Budget’s Fall 2022 Unified Agenda of Regu-  
11 latory and Deregulatory Actions as “Unfair Practices,  
12 Undue Preferences, and Harm to Competition Under the  
13 Packers and Stockyards Act (AMS-FTPP-21-0046),”  
14 RIN 0581-AE04, or any subsequent substantially similar  
15 rulemaking effort, except that funds may be used to, and  
16 the Secretary of Agriculture shall, withdraw or rescind any  
17 such proposed rules, advance notices of proposed rule-  
18 making, and any such rules that may have been finalized.

19 SEC. 738. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
20 wise made available to the U.S. Department of Agriculture  
21 may be used to increase the number of positions in the  
22 Department (measured on a full-time equivalent basis) for  
23 which the primary duty station is located in the National  
24 Capital Region unless otherwise specified in the report ac-  
25 companying this Act.



1           (1) The term “National Capital Region” means  
2           the District of Columbia; Montgomery and Prince  
3           George’s Counties of Maryland; and Arlington, Fair-  
4           fax, Loudoun, and Prince William Counties of Vir-  
5           ginia.

6           SEC. 739. (a) There is hereby appropriated  
7           \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the  
8           Secretary of Agriculture to carry out no more than 5 pilot  
9           projects, under the terms and conditions determined by  
10          the Secretary for a period not to exceed 3 years and with-  
11          out increasing household benefit allotments as authorized  
12          by section 8 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7  
13          U.S.C. 2017), that allow the use of supplemental nutrition  
14          assistance program benefits to purchase only nutrient-  
15          dense foods and beverages (as defined in the 2020-2025  
16          Dietary Guidelines for Americans), of which 1 or more of  
17          such projects shall be carried out before December 21,  
18          2024.

19          (b) Not later than 6 months after the first pilot  
20          project under subsection (a) begins, the Secretary shall  
21          enter into a contract with the National Academies of  
22          Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to—

23                  (1) evaluate the pilot project or projects carried  
24                  out under subsection (a); and

1           (2) provide the results of such evaluation not  
2           later than 18 months after the date of such con-  
3           tract.

4           SEC. 740. Of the total amounts made available by  
5           this Act for direct loans and grants under the following  
6           headings: “Rural Housing Service—Rural Housing Insur-  
7           ance Fund Program Account”; “Rural Housing Service—  
8           Mutual and Self-Help Housing Grants”; “Rural Housing  
9           Service—Rural Housing Assistance Grants”; “Rural  
10          Housing Service—Rural Community Facilities Program  
11          Account”; “Rural Business-Cooperative Service—Rural  
12          Business Program Account”; “Rural Business-Coopera-  
13          tive Service—Rural Economic Development Loans Pro-  
14          gram Account”; “Rural Business-Cooperative Service—  
15          Rural Cooperative Development Grants”; “Rural Busi-  
16          ness-Cooperative Service—Rural Microentrepreneur As-  
17          sistance Program”; “Rural Utilities Service—Rural Water  
18          and Waste Disposal Program Account”; “Rural Utilities  
19          Service—Rural Electrification and Telecommunications  
20          Loans Program Account”; and “Rural Utilities Service—  
21          Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Pro-  
22          gram”, to the maximum extent feasible, at least 10 per-  
23          cent of the funds shall be allocated for assistance in per-  
24          sistent poverty counties under this section, including, not-  
25          withstanding any other provision regarding population

1 limits, any county seat of such a persistent poverty county  
2 that has a population that does not exceed the authorized  
3 population limit by more than 10 percent: *Provided*, That  
4 for purposes of this section, the term “persistent poverty  
5 counties” means any county that has had 20 percent or  
6 more of its population living in poverty over the past 30  
7 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial cen-  
8 suses, and 2007–2011 American Community Survey 5-  
9 year average, or any territory or possession of the United  
10 States: *Provided further*, That with respect to specific ac-  
11 tivities for which program levels have been made available  
12 by this Act that are not supported by budget authority,  
13 the requirements of this section shall be applied to such  
14 program level.

15       SEC. 741. Of the unobligated balances from amounts  
16 made available to the Department of Agriculture in section  
17 1001(a) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (&  
18 U.S.C. 7501 note; Public Law 117-2), \$500,000,000 are  
19 hereby rescinded.

20       SEC. 742. None of the funds made available by this  
21 Act may be used to notify a sponsor or otherwise acknowl-  
22 edge receipt of a submission for an exemption for inves-  
23 tigational use of a drug or biological product under section  
24 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21  
25 U.S.C. 355(i)) or section 351(a)(3) of the Public Health

1 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(a)(3)) in research in which  
2 a human embryo is intentionally created or modified to  
3 include a heritable genetic modification. Any such submis-  
4 sion shall be deemed to have not been received by the Sec-  
5 retary, and the exemption may not go into effect.

6 SEC. 743. None of the funds made available by this  
7 or any other Act may be used to enforce the final rule  
8 promulgated by the Food and Drug Administration enti-  
9 tled “Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing,  
10 and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption,” and  
11 published on November 27, 2015, with respect to the regu-  
12 lation of entities that grow, harvest, pack, or hold wine  
13 grapes, hops, pulse crops, or almonds.

14 SEC. 744. For school years 2023–2024 and 2024–  
15 2025, none of the funds made available by this Act may  
16 be used to implement or enforce the matter following the  
17 first comma in the second sentence of footnote (c) of sec-  
18 tion 220.8(c) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, with  
19 respect to the substitution of vegetables for fruits under  
20 the school breakfast program established under section 4  
21 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1773).

22 SEC. 745. None of the funds made available by this  
23 Act or any other Act may be used—

24 (1) in contravention of section 7606 of the Ag-  
25 ricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 5940), subtitle G

1 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, or sec-  
2 tion 10114 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of  
3 2018; or

4 (2) to prohibit the transportation, processing,  
5 sale, or use of hemp, or seeds of such plant, that is  
6 grown or cultivated in accordance with section 7606  
7 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 or subtitle G of the  
8 Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, within or out-  
9 side the State in which the hemp is grown or cul-  
10 tivated.

11 SEC. 746. The Secretary of Agriculture may waive  
12 the matching funds requirement under section 412(g) of  
13 the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Re-  
14 form Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7632(g)).

15 SEC. 747. The Secretary, as part of the report on  
16 foreign landholding required under the Agricultural For-  
17 eign Investment Disclosure Act (Public Law 95–460),  
18 shall report to Congress on foreign investments in agricul-  
19 tural land in the United States, including the impact for-  
20 eign ownership has on family farms, rural communities,  
21 and the domestic food supply: *Provided*, That within 2  
22 years after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall  
23 establish a streamlined process for electronic submission  
24 and retention of disclosures made under the Agricultural  
25 Foreign Investment Disclosure Act, including an internet

1 database that contains disaggregated data from each dis-  
2 closure submitted: *Provided further*, That all prior year dis-  
3 closures of foreign investments in agricultural land in the  
4 United States are published in the database: *Provided fur-*  
5 *ther*, That the plan includes a process to ensure the protec-  
6 tion of personally identifiable information and that all dis-  
7 closures of foreign investments in agricultural land on the  
8 USDA website be disaggregated by: (1) in any case in  
9 which such foreign person is an individual, the citizenship  
10 of such foreign person; and (2) in any case in which such  
11 foreign person is not an individual or a government, the  
12 nature of the legal entity holding the interest, the country  
13 in which such foreign person is created or organized, and  
14 the principal place of business of such foreign person.

15 SEC. 748. There is rescinded the unobligated bal-  
16 ances of amounts made available under section 22006 of  
17 Public Law 117-169 (136 Stat. 2021).

18 SEC. 749. (a) After the effective date of any final rule  
19 FDA publishes in connection with its proposed rule to up-  
20 date these requirements (87 Federal Register 59168,  
21 issued on September 29, 2022), manufacturers may also  
22 continue to comply with the previous requirements pro-  
23 mulgated by the FDA for the implied nutrient content  
24 claim “healthy” through the “compliance date” FDA pro-  
25 vides in the final rule.

1 (b) Any food product manufactured and labeled as  
2 “healthy” during the compliance period FDA provides in  
3 that final rule shall not be directly or indirectly subject  
4 to any state-law requirements that are not identical to ei-  
5 ther (i) the federal requirements for the implied nutrition  
6 content claim “healthy” that were in effect as of the date  
7 FDA issues the final rule, or (ii) the updated federal re-  
8 quirements that FDA promulgates in the final rule, as-  
9 suming the updated requirements go into effect during the  
10 regulatory compliance period.

11 SEC. 750. Funds made available under title II of the  
12 Food for Peace Act (7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.) may only be  
13 used to provide assistance to recipient nations if adequate  
14 monitoring and controls, as determined by the Adminis-  
15 trator, are in place to ensure that emergency food aid is  
16 received by the intended beneficiaries in areas affected by  
17 food shortages and not diverted for unauthorized or inap-  
18 propriate purposes.

19 SEC. 751. None of the funds made available by this  
20 Act may be used to procure raw or processed poultry prod-  
21 ucts imported into the United States from the People’s  
22 Republic of China for use in the school lunch program  
23 under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act  
24 (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), the Child and Adult Care Food  
25 Program under section 17 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1766),

1 the Summer Food Service Program for Children under  
2 section 13 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1761), or the school  
3 breakfast program under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966  
4 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.).

5 SEC. 752. (a) Section 6(o)(3)(A) of the Food and Nu-  
6 trition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2015(6)(o)(3)(A)) is amend-  
7 ed by striking “50” and inserting “56”.

8 (b) Section 6(o)(6) of the Food and Nutrition Act  
9 of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2015(6)(o)(6)) is amended by adding  
10 at the end the following:

11 (1) “RULE OF CONSTRUCTION FOR EX-  
12 EMPTION ADJUSTMENT.—During fiscal year  
13 2024 and each subsequent fiscal year, nothing in  
14 this paragraph shall be interpreted to allow a State  
15 agency to accumulate unused exemptions to be pro-  
16 vided beyond the subsequent fiscal year.”.

17 SEC. 753. For school year 2024–2025, only a school  
18 food authority that had a negative balance in the nonprofit  
19 school food service account as of June 30, 2023, shall be  
20 required to establish a price for paid lunches in accordance  
21 with section 12(p) of the Richard B. Russell National  
22 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(p)).

23 SEC. 754. None of the funds made available by this  
24 Act may be made available to support, directly or indi-  
25 rectly, the Wuhan Institute of Virology, or any laboratory



1 owned or controlled by the governments of the People's  
2 Republic of China, the Republic of Cuba, the Islamic Re-  
3 public of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,  
4 the Russian Federation, the Bolivarian Republic of Ven-  
5 ezuela under the regime of Nicolás Maduro Moros, or any  
6 other country determined by the Secretary of State to be  
7 a foreign adversary.

8       SEC. 755. Any funds made available by this or any  
9 other Act that the Secretary withholds pursuant to section  
10 1668(g)(2) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and  
11 Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5921(g)(2)), as amended,  
12 shall be available for grants for biotechnology risk assess-  
13 ment research: *Provided*, That the Secretary may transfer  
14 such funds among appropriations of the Department of  
15 Agriculture for purposes of making such grants.

16       SEC. 756. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
17 law, no funds available to the Department of Agriculture  
18 may be used to move any staff office or any agency from  
19 the mission area in which it was located on August 1,  
20 2018, to any other mission area or office within the De-  
21 partment in the absence of the enactment of specific legis-  
22 lation affirming such move.

23       SEC. 757. None of the funds made available by this  
24 Act may be used to carry out any program, project, or

1 activity that promotes or advances Critical Race Theory  
2 or any concept associated with Critical Race Theory.

3 SEC. 758. The Secretary, acting through the Chief  
4 of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, may use  
5 funds appropriated under this Act or any other Act for  
6 the Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations Program  
7 and the Watershed Rehabilitation Program carried out  
8 pursuant to the Watershed Protection and Flood Preven-  
9 tion Act (16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), and for the Emergency  
10 Watershed Protection Program carried out pursuant to  
11 section 403 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16  
12 U.S.C. 2203) to provide technical services for such pro-  
13 grams pursuant to section 1252(a)(1) of the Food Secu-  
14 rity Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3851(a)(1)), notwithstanding  
15 subsection (c) of such section.

16 SEC. 759. In administering the pilot program estab-  
17 lished by section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Ap-  
18 propriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115–141), the Sec-  
19 retary of Agriculture may, for purposes of determining en-  
20 tities eligible to receive assistance, consider those commu-  
21 nities which are “Areas Rural in Character”: *Provided,*  
22 That not more than 10 percent of the funds made avail-  
23 able under the heading “Distance Learning, Telemedicine,  
24 and Broadband Program” for the purposes of the pilot

1 program established by section 779 of Public Law 115–  
2 141 may be used for this purpose.

3 SEC. 760. None of the funds made available by this  
4 Act may be used to pay the salaries or expenses of per-  
5 sonnel—

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

8 (2) to inspect horses under section 903 of the  
9 Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of  
10 1996 (7 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 104–127); or

11 (3) to implement or enforce section 352.19 of  
12 title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor  
13 regulation).

14 SEC. 761. (a) The modifications made by the Food  
15 and Drug Administration on January 3, 2023 to the risk  
16 evaluation and mitigation strategy under section 505-1 of  
17 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.  
18 355-1) for mifepristone are hereby nullified.

19 (b) None of the funds made available by this Act may  
20 be used to establish, implement, or enforce—

21 (1) any provision of a risk evaluation and miti-  
22 gation strategy under section 505-1 of the Federal  
23 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355-1)  
24 for mifepristone that is substantially similar to any  
25 of the modifications nullified by subsection (a); or

1           (2) any non-enforcement or enforcement discre-  
2           tion policy for any provision of a risk evaluation and  
3           mitigation strategy under such section for  
4           mifepristone.

5           SEC. 762. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
6           wise made available by this Act may be used by FDA to  
7           develop, issue, promote, or advance any new guidelines or  
8           regulations applicable to food manufacturers for popu-  
9           lation-wide sodium reduction actions until the issuance of  
10          the 2025-2026 National Health and Nutrition Examina-  
11          tion Survey (NHANES) survey that will show consumer  
12          sodium consumption after the completion of the short-  
13          term sodium reduction targets.

14          SEC. 763. Within 60 days of enactment of this Act  
15          the Secretary shall provide to the Committees a plan for  
16          expenditure that accelerates the continued implementation  
17          and expansion of the Farmers.gov application and the En-  
18          terprise Data Analytics Platform and Toolset (EDAPT)  
19          to enable USDA users to: (1) view their information, com-  
20          plete transactions, quickly review the status, and update  
21          tabular customer information; (2) submit applications for  
22          Farm Production and Conservation programs and receive  
23          program payments for all USDA farm programs; (3) to  
24          complete their own applications, including electronic sig-  
25          natures and submission, for all farm programs that re-

1 quire direct application; (4) enable electronic income re-  
2 porting between USDA and IRS; and (5) transition acre-  
3 age reporting, farm records mapping, and farm records  
4 information to Farmers.gov: *Provided*, That the Farm  
5 Production and Conservation Business Center shall pro-  
6 vide a roadmap for systems to be decommissioned and  
7 consolidated with Farmers.gov and EDAPT including, but  
8 not limited to, the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and  
9 Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs, the Dairy Margin  
10 Coverage program, and the Farm Service Agency Emer-  
11 gency Relief Program.

12       SEC. 764. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
13 wise made available by this or any other Act may be used  
14 to implement, administer, apply, enforce, or carry out Ex-  
15 ecutive Order 13985 of January 20, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg.  
16 7009, relating to advancing racial equity and support for  
17 underserved communities through the Federal Govern-  
18 ment), or the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Equity  
19 Action Plan in Support of Executive Order 13985, or any  
20 Equity Action Plan created by the Food and Drug Admin-  
21 istration, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or  
22 the Farm Credit Administration, or Executive Order  
23 14035 of June 25, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg. 34593, relating  
24 to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the Fed-  
25 eral workforce), or Executive Order 14091 of February

1 16, 2023 (88 Fed. Reg. 10825, relating to further advanc-  
2 ing racial equity and support for underserved communities  
3 through the Federal Government), or to create or establish  
4 an Office of the Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer.

5 SEC. 765. The Secretary of Agriculture shall take  
6 such actions as may be necessary to prohibit the purchase  
7 of agricultural land located in the United States by compa-  
8 nies owned, in full or in part, by the People's Republic  
9 of China, Russia, North Korea, or Iran.

10 SEC. 766. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
11 law, during the period beginning on the date of enactment  
12 of this Act and ending on the last day of school year 2024-  
13 2025, the Secretary of Agriculture shall —

14 (1) allow flavored, low-fat fluid milk to be  
15 served —

16 (A) under the school lunch program estab-  
17 lished under the Richard B. Russell National  
18 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.);

19 (B) under the school breakfast program es-  
20 tablished under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966  
21 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.);

22 (C) as a competitive food available on cam-  
23 pus during the school day; and

24 (D) to children ages 5 years and older  
25 under the child and adult care food program es-

1           established under section 17 of the Richard B.  
2           Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.  
3           1766); and

4           (2) with respect to weekly sodium limitations to  
5           meals and supplements served during such period  
6           under the school lunch program established under  
7           the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act  
8           (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) —

9                   (A) exclude sodium used for food safety  
10                   and functional purposes in cheese-making, as  
11                   determined by the Secretary in consultation  
12                   with the Commissioner of the Food and Drug  
13                   Administration; and

14                   (B) if a determination has not been made  
15                   under subparagraph (A), apply the Target 1 so-  
16                   dium levels included in the final rule entitled  
17                   “Nutrition Standards in the National School  
18                   Lunch and School Breakfast Programs” pub-  
19                   lished by the Department of Agriculture in the  
20                   Federal Register on January 26, 2012 (77 Fed.  
21                   Reg. 4087).

22           SEC. 767. None of the funds made available by this  
23           Act may be used to finalize, implement, administer, or en-  
24           force any rule that would reduce the maximum monthly  
25           allowance with respect to milk under section 246.10 of

1 title 7, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on April  
2 1, 2023), including the rule entitled “Special Supple-  
3 mental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Chil-  
4 dren (WIC): Revisions to the WIC Food Packages” pub-  
5 lished by the Department of Agriculture in the Federal  
6 Register on November 21, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 71090).

7       SEC. 768. None of the funds provided by this Act  
8 or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the  
9 United States derived by the collection of fees available  
10 to the agencies funded by this Act, may be used by the  
11 Secretary of Health and Human Services to finalize, issue,  
12 implement, administer, or enforce any rule, regulation, or  
13 order setting a tobacco product standard that mandates  
14 a maximum nicotine level for cigarettes.

15       SEC. 769. None of the funds provided by this Act,  
16 or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the  
17 United States derived by the collection of fees available  
18 to the agencies funded by this Act, may be used by the  
19 Secretary of Health and Human Services to finalize, issue,  
20 or implement any rule, regulation, notice of proposed rule-  
21 making, or order setting any tobacco product standard  
22 that would prohibit menthol as a characterizing flavor in  
23 cigarettes or prohibit characterizing flavors in all cigars  
24 and their components and parts.



1                   SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

2       SEC. 770. \$0.

3       This division may be cited as the “Agriculture, Rural  
4 Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Re-  
5 lated Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024”.