

open market for use in connection with soil and fertilizer investigations.

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title I, §104, 58 Stat. 735.)

**§ 433. Domestic raising of fur-bearing animals; classification**

For the purposes of all classification and administration of Acts of Congress, Executive orders, administrative orders, and regulations pertaining to—

(a) fox, rabbit, mink, chinchilla, marten, fisher, muskrat, karakul and all other fur-bearing animals, raised in captivity for breeding or other useful purposes shall be deemed domestic animals;

(b) such animals and the products thereof shall be deemed agricultural products; and

(c) the breeding, raising, producing, or marketing of such animals or their products by the producer shall be deemed an agricultural pursuit.

(Apr. 30, 1946, ch. 242, §1, 60 Stat. 127.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 3 of act Apr. 30, 1946, provided that this section and section 434 of this title shall become effective sixty days after Apr. 30, 1946.

**§ 434. Transfer of functions, appropriations, records and property to Secretary of Agriculture**

(a) All the functions of the Secretary of the Interior and the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior, which affect the breeding, raising, producing, marketing, or any other phase of the production or distribution, of domestically raised fur-bearing animals, or products thereof, are transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Agriculture.

(b) Appropriations and unexpended balances of appropriations, or parts thereof, which the Director of the Office of Management and Budget determines to be available for expenditure for the administration of any function transferred by this section and section 433 of this title, shall be available for expenditure for the continued administration of such function by the officer to whom such function is so transferred.

(c) All records and property (including office furniture and equipment) under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior used primarily in connection with the administration of functions transferred by said sections are transferred to the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture.

(Apr. 30, 1946, ch. 242, §2, 60 Stat. 127; 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 2, §102, eff. July 1, 1970, 35 F.R. 7959, 84 Stat. 2085.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 60 days after Apr. 30, 1946, see note set out under section 433 of this title.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions vested by law (including reorganization plan) in Bureau of the Budget or Director of Bureau of the Budget were transferred to President by section 101 of 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 2. Section 102 of 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 2 redesignated Bureau of the Budget as Office

of Management and Budget and the offices of Director of Bureau of the Budget, Deputy Director of Bureau of the Budget, and Assistant Directors of Bureau of the Budget as Director of Office of Management and Budget, Deputy Director of Office of Management and Budget, and Assistant Directors of Office of Management and Budget, respectively. Section 103 of 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 2 transferred all records, property, personnel, and funds of the Bureau to the Office of Management and Budget. See part I of Reorg. Plan No. 2 of 1970, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. See, also, section 502 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

**§ 435. Omitted**

CODIFICATION

Section, which made inapplicable provisions of law prohibiting or restricting employment of aliens to employment under the appropriations for the Foreign Agricultural Service, was from the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1974, Pub. L. 93-135. Similar provisions were contained in prior appropriation acts. Section was not repeated in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1975, accordingly, section was omitted from the Code. For provisions covering employment of aliens generally, see section 3101 note of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Section was based on acts July 30, 1947, ch. 356, title I, §4, 61 Stat. 548; June 19, 1948, ch. 543, title I, §4, 62 Stat. 530; June 2, 1949, ch. 280, title III, §302, 63 Stat. 348; Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, ch. VI, title IV, §402, 64 Stat. 679; Aug. 31, 1951, ch. 374, title IV, §402, 65 Stat. 245; July 5, 1952, ch. 574, title IV, §402, 66 Stat. 355; July 28, 1953, ch. 251, title IV §402, 67 Stat. 224; June 29, 1954, ch. 409, title V, §502, 68 Stat. 318; May 23, 1955, ch. 43, title V, §502, 69 Stat. 63; June 4, 1956, ch. 355, title V, §502, 70 Stat. 240; Aug. 2, 1957, Pub. L. 85-118, title V, §502, 71 Stat. 340; June 13, 1958, Pub. L. 85-459, title IV, §402, 72 Stat. 199; July 8, 1959, Pub. L. 86-80, title IV, §402, 73 Stat. 179; June 29, 1960, Pub. L. 86-532, title IV, §402, 74 Stat. 244; July 26, 1961, Pub. L. 87-112, title V, §502, 75 Stat. 240; Oct. 24, 1962, Pub. L. 87-879, title VI, §602, 76 Stat. 1215; Dec. 30, 1963, Pub. L. 88-250, title VI, §602, 77 Stat. 833; Sept. 2, 1964, Pub. L. 88-573, title V, §502, 78 Stat. 876; Nov. 2, 1965, Pub. L. 89-316, title V, §502, 79 Stat. 1179; Sept. 7, 1966, Pub. L. 89-556, title V, §502, 80 Stat. 703; Oct. 24, 1967, Pub. L. 90-113, title V, §502, 81 Stat. 334; Aug. 8, 1968, Pub. L. 90-463, title V, §502, 82 Stat. 653; Nov. 26, 1969, Pub. L. 91-127, title V, §502, 83 Stat. 260; Dec. 22, 1970, Pub. L. 91-566, title V, §502, 84 Stat. 1496; Aug. 10, 1971, Pub. L. 92-73, title V, §502, 85 Stat. 201; Aug. 22, 1972, Pub. L. 92-399, title V, §502, 86 Stat. 611; Oct. 24, 1973, Pub. L. 93-135, title V, §502, 87 Stat. 489.

**§ 436. Transfer of Army Remount Service to Department of Agriculture; effective date**

In the interests of economy and efficiency, the records, property, real and personal, and civilian personnel of the Remount Service of the Quartermaster Corps, Department of the Army, are transferred to the Department of Agriculture, effective July 1, 1948. Prior to that date, the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of Agriculture shall enter into a written agreement on the property and the personnel covered by this transfer.

(Apr. 21, 1948, ch. 224, §1, 62 Stat. 197.)

**§ 437. Administration of transferred property; improvement in horse breeding; acquisition of breeding stock and facilities; fees; cooperation with other organizations**

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to receive the property transferred by section 436

of this title and is directed to administer it in such manner as he deems will best advance the livestock and agricultural interests of the United States, including improvement in the breeding of horses suited to the needs of the United States; the acquisition by purchase in the open market, exchange, hire, or donation of breeding stock, and necessary land, buildings, and facilities; the use of horses in the improvement of the supply of horses available in agriculture; the demonstration of the quality and usefulness of horses through participation in and lending for use in fairs, shows, and other events, or otherwise; the loan, sale, or hire of animals or animal products through such arrangements and subject to such fees as are deemed necessary by the Secretary to accomplish the purposes of this section and section 436 of this title, and, in carrying out such program, the Secretary is authorized to cooperate with public and private organizations and individuals under such rules and regulations as are deemed by him to be necessary.

(Apr. 21, 1948, ch. 224, § 2, 62 Stat. 197.)

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; ABOLITION OF  
ARMY REMOUNT PROGRAM

Section 4 of act Apr. 21, 1948, provided: "There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Agriculture such funds as may be necessary to carry out this Act [sections 436 to 438 of this title]. The authority of the Department of the Army to conduct a remount breeding program is hereby abolished. Funds appropriated pursuant to this Act [said sections] shall be available for necessary administrative expenses, including personal services in the District of Columbia, printing and binding, and purchase or hire of passenger motor vehicles."

**§ 438. Repealed. Pub. L. 88-448, title IV, § 402(a)(26), Aug. 19, 1964, 78 Stat. 494**

Section, act Apr. 21, 1948, ch. 224, § 3, 62 Stat. 197, related to employment of retired Army officers in Remount Service.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective on first day of first month which begins later than ninetieth day following Aug. 19, 1964, see section 403 of Pub. L. 88-448.

**§ 439. Operation of Government-owned alcohol plants; location; transfer of plants**

For the purpose of assuring their operation for the production of products from agricultural commodities in order to provide a means of discharging the responsibility of the Department of Agriculture in connection with surplus agricultural commodities, research, and other authorized activities, and to assist in providing an adequate supply of alcohol and other products produced from agricultural commodities necessary for the national defense, (1) the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, as successor to Defense Plant Corporation, shall transfer, without regard to the provisions of the Surplus Property Act of 1944 and without reimbursement or transfer of funds, to the Secretary of Agriculture all of its right, title, and interest in and to the alcohol plant established and constructed by Defense Plant Corporation at Muscatine, Iowa, the property, together with the equipment, records, facilities, and other property appurtenant there-

to; and (2) the War Assets Administration shall transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture without regard to the provisions of the Surplus Property Act of 1944 and without reimbursement or transfer of funds the alcohol plants at Kansas City, Missouri, and Omaha, Nebraska, together with the land, equipment, facilities, and other property appurtenant thereto.

(July 2, 1948, ch. 818, § 1, 62 Stat. 1234.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Surplus Property Act of 1944, referred to in text, is act Oct. 3, 1944, ch. 479, 58 Stat. 765, which was classified principally to sections 1611 to 1646 of Title 50, Appendix, War and National Defense, and was repealed effective July 1, 1949, with the exception of sections 1622, 1631, 1637, and 1641 of Title 50, Appendix, by act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title VI, § 602(a)(1), 63 Stat. 399, renumbered Sept. 5, 1950, ch. 849, § 6(a), (b), 64 Stat. 583. Sections 1622 and 1641 were partially repealed by the 1949 act, and section 1622 is still set out in part in Title 50, Appendix. Section 1622(g) was repealed and reenacted as sections 47151 to 47153 of Title 49, Transportation, by Pub. L. 103-272, §§ 1(e), 7(b), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1278-1280, 1379. Section 1631 was repealed by act June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 6(e), as added by act July 23, 1946, ch. 590, 60 Stat. 599, and is covered by sections 98 et seq. of Title 50. Section 1637 was repealed by act June 25, 1948, ch. 645, § 21, 62 Stat. 862, eff. Sept. 1, 1948, and is covered by section 3287 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure. Provisions of section 1641 not repealed by the 1949 act were repealed by Pub. L. 87-256, § 111(a)(1), Sept. 21, 1961, 75 Stat. 538, and are covered by chapter 33 (§ 2451 et seq.) of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse. The provisions of the Surplus Property Act of 1944 originally repealed by the 1949 act are covered by provisions of the 1949 act which were classified to chapter 10 (§ 471 et seq.) of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, and which were repealed and reenacted by Pub. L. 107-217, §§ 1, 6(b), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062, 1304, as chapters 1 to 11 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of all officers, agencies, and employees of Department of Agriculture transferred, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of Agriculture by 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 2, § 1, eff. June 4, 1953, 18 F.R. 3219, 67 Stat. 633, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

Functions, property, records, etc., of War Assets Administration transferred to Administrator of General Services and War Assets Administration abolished by act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title I, § 105, 63 Stat. 381.

ABOLITION OF RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Section 6(a) of 1957 Reorg. Plan No. 1, eff. June 30, 1957, 22 F.R. 4633, 71 Stat. 647, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 439a. Powers and duties of Secretary of Agriculture**

In carrying out the purposes of sections 439 to 439e of this title the Secretary is authorized, upon such terms and conditions as he deems reasonable, and notwithstanding the provisions of any other law—

(a) to provide for the operation of such plants by lease or other arrangement;

(b) to operate such plants, where operation by others will not, in the judgment of the Secretary, accomplish the purpose of sections 439 to 439e of this title.

Such plants may be operated in the furtherance of any authorized activities of the Department of Agriculture, and any lease, or other arrange-