(B) the amount of, and any cost incurred in connection with, any settlement of any claim, proceeding, or action; and

(C) the amount of, and any cost incurred in connection with, any judgment or penalty imposed with respect to any claim, proceeding, or action.

### (5) Payment

The term "payment" means—

- (A) a direct or indirect transfer of any funds or any asset; and
- (B) any segregation of any funds or assets for the purpose of making, or under an agreement to make, any payment after the date on which the funds or assets are segregated, without regard to whether the obligation to make the payment is contingent on—
  - (i) the determination, after that date, of the liability for the payment of the amount; or
  - (ii) the liquidation, after that date, of the amount of the payment.

#### (b) Prohibition

The Corporation may prohibit or limit, by regulation or order, any golden parachute payment or indemnification payment by a Farm Credit System institution (including any conservator or receiver of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) in troubled condition (as defined in regulations issued by the Corporation).

#### (c) Factors to be taken into account

The Corporation shall prescribe, by regulation, the factors to be considered by the Corporation in taking any action under subsection (b) of this section. The factors may include—

- (1) whether there is a reasonable basis to believe that an institution-related party has committed any fraudulent act or omission, breach of trust or fiduciary duty, or insider abuse with regard to the Farm Credit System institution involved that has had a material effect on the financial condition of the institution:
- (2) whether there is a reasonable basis to believe that the institution-related party is substantially responsible for the insolvency of the Farm Credit System institution, the appointment of a conservator or receiver for the institution, or the institution's troubled condition (as defined in regulations prescribed by the Corporation);
- (3) whether there is a reasonable basis to believe that the institution-related party has materially violated any applicable law or regulation that has had a material effect on the financial condition of the institution;
- (4) whether there is a reasonable basis to believe that the institution-related party has violated or conspired to violate—
  - (A) section 215, 657, 1006, 1014, or 1344 of title 18; or
  - (B) section 1341 or 1343 of title 18, affecting a Farm Credit System institution;
- (5) whether the institution-related party was in a position of managerial or fiduciary responsibility; and
- (6) the length of time that the party was related to the Farm Credit System institution and the degree to which—

- (A) the payment reasonably reflects compensation earned over the period of employment; and
- (B) the compensation represents a reasonable payment for services rendered.

## (d) Certain payments prohibited

No Farm Credit System institution may prepay the salary or any liability or legal expense of any institution-related party if the payment is made—

(1) in contemplation of the insolvency of the institution or after the commission of an act of insolvency; and

(2) with a view to, or with the result of—

(A) preventing the proper application of the assets of the institution to creditors; or (B) preferring 1 creditor over another creditor.

#### (e) Rule of construction

Nothing in this section—

- (1) prohibits any Farm Credit System institution from purchasing any commercial insurance policy or fidelity bond, so long as the insurance policy or bond does not cover any legal or liability expense of an institution described in subsection (a)(2) of this section; or
- (2) limits the powers, functions, or responsibilities of the Farm Credit Administration.

(Pub. L. 92–181, title V, §5.61B, as added Pub. L. 104–105, title II, §218, Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 181.)

#### § 2277a-11. Investment of funds

Money of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be invested in obligations of the United States or in obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.

(Pub. L. 92–181, title V,  $\S 5.62$ , as added Pub. L. 100–233, title III,  $\S 302$ , Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1618.)

# §2277a-12. Exemption from taxation

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Corporation, including its franchise, and its capital, reserves, surplus, and income, shall be exempt from all taxation imposed by the United States, or by any State, county, municipality, or local taxing authority, except that any real property of the Corporation shall be subject to State, county, municipal, and local taxation to the same extent according to its value as other real property is taxed.

(Pub. L. 92–181, title V,  $\S 5.63$ , as added Pub. L. 100–233, title III,  $\S 302$ , Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1618.)

# $\S 2277a-13$ . Omitted

# CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 92–181, title V, §5.64, as added Pub. L. 100–233, title III, §302, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1619, which required the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation to submit an annual report to Congress on the operations of the Corporation, terminated, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104–66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance. See, also, page 167 of House Document No. 103–7.

### § 2277a-14. Prohibitions

### (a) Corporate name

# (1) Use of corporate name

It shall be unlawful for any person or entity to use the words "Farm Credit System Insur-