

order to enable agriculture to attain a position in research comparable to that of other industries.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-113 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 1901 of Pub. L. 95-113, set out as a note under section 1307 of this title.

SHORT TITLE

Act June 29, 1935, as amended, which enacted sections 343c, 343d (now 329), 343d-1, and 427-427j of this title, is popularly known as the "Agricultural Research Act" and also as the "Bankhead-Jones Act".

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.

EX. ORD. NO. 9310. TRANSFERRING NUTRITION FUNCTIONS OF OFFICE OF DEFENSE HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES TO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Ex. Ord. No. 9310, Mar. 6, 1943, 8 F.R. 2913, provided: By virtue of the authority vested in me by Title I of the First War Powers Act, 1941 [former sections 601 to 605 of Appendix to Title 50, War and National Defense], as President of the United States, and in order to enable the Secretary of Agriculture more effectively to carry out his responsibilities with respect to the Nation's food program, it is hereby ordered:

1. The functions, powers, and duties, with respect to nutrition, (a) of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services in the Office for Emergency Management of the Executive Office of the President (including all functions, powers, and duties of the Nutrition Division of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services), and (b) of the Director of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services, are transferred to the Department of Agriculture and shall be administered under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Agriculture through such agency or agencies in the Department as the Secretary shall designate.

2. The personnel, property, and records used primarily in the administration of the functions, powers, and duties transferred by this Order are transferred to the Department of Agriculture. So much of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds available for the use of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services in discharging the functions, powers, and duties transferred by this Order, as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall determine, shall be transferred to the Department of Agriculture for use in connection with the exercise of the functions, powers, and duties so transferred. In determining the amounts to be transferred hereunder, allowance shall be made for the liquidation of obligations previously incurred against such appropriations, allocations, or other funds.

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**§§ 427a to 427h. Repealed. Aug. 11, 1955, ch. 790, § 2, 69 Stat. 674**

Sections 427a to 427c, act June 29, 1935, ch. 338, title I, §§ 2-4, 49 Stat. 437, authorized research by experiment stations, appropriations, and allocation of appropriations. See sections 361a to 361c of this title.

Section 427d, acts June 29, 1935, ch. 338, title I, § 5, 49 Stat. 437; Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title I, § 105, 58 Stat. 735, related to allocation of appropriations. See section 361c of this title.

Sections 427e to 427g, act June 29, 1935, ch. 338, title I, §§ 6-8, 49 Stat. 438, defined "Territory", authorized Secretary of Agriculture to prescribe rules and regulations, and reserved the right to Congress to amend, suspend, or repeal act June 29, 1935. See sections 361a, 361g, and 361i, respectively, of this title.

Section 427h, act June 29, 1935, ch. 338, title I, § 9, as added Aug. 14, 1946, ch. 966, title I, § 101(2), 60 Stat. 1083, authorized appropriations for agricultural experiment stations, provided for availability of funds and unexpended balances, and prescribed allotments for the experiment stations. See sections 361c, 361d, and 361g of this title.

EXISTING RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES

Any rights or liabilities existing under sections 427a to 427h as unaffected by repeal, see section 2 of act Aug. 11, 1955, set out as a note under former section 361 of this title.

**§ 427i. Agricultural research; authorization of additional appropriations; administrative expenses; availability of special research fund**

(a) In order to carry out further research on utilization and associated problems in connection with the development and application of present, new, and extended uses of agricultural commodities and products thereof authorized by section 427 of this title, and to disseminate information relative thereto, and in addition to all other appropriations authorized by sections 427 to 427j of this title, there is authorized to be appropriated the following sums:

(1) \$3,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, and each subsequent fiscal year.

(2) An additional \$3,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and each subsequent fiscal year.

(3) An additional \$3,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and each subsequent fiscal year.

(4) An additional \$3,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, and each subsequent fiscal year.

(5) An additional \$3,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951, and each subsequent fiscal year.

(6) In addition to the foregoing, such additional funds beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, and thereafter, as the Congress may deem necessary.

The Secretary of Agriculture, in accordance with such regulations as he deems necessary, and when in his judgment the work to be performed will be carried out more effectively, more rapidly, or at less cost than if performed by the Department of Agriculture, may enter into contracts with such public or private organizations or individuals as he may find qualified to carry on work under this section without regard to the provisions of section 6101 of title 41, and with respect to such contracts he may make advance progress or other payments without regard to the provisions of section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31. Contracts under this section may be made for work to continue not more than four years from the date of any such contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5 of the Act of June 20, 1874, as amended (31 U.S.C. 713), any unexpended balances of appropriations properly obligated by contracting with an organization as provided in this subsection may remain upon the books of the Treasury for not more than five fiscal years before being carried to the surplus fund and covered into the Treasury. Research authorized under this subsection shall be conducted so far as practicable at laboratories