

employed by the county committees established pursuant to section 8(b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) shall be increased by amounts equal, as nearly as may be practicable, to the increases provided by this title [amending section 1113(b) of former Title 5, Executive Departments and Government Officers and Employees] for corresponding rates of compensation in the appropriate schedule or scale of pay.”

[“Increases provided by this title”, referred to above, means increases provided by title I of Pub. L. 86-568.]

TWO COUNTY COMMITTEES FOR CERTAIN COUNTIES IN MINNESOTA AND IOWA

Pub. L. 85-278, Sept. 2, 1957, 71 Stat. 601, provided: “That, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 8 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act [subsec. (b) of this section], two county committees shall be elected annually under such subsection for the counties of Otter Tail, Polk, and Saint Louis, in the State of Minnesota, and for the county of Pottawattamie, in the State of Iowa, and that the actions heretofore or hereafter taken by each of such committees shall be given the same effect in the area served by it as is given to the actions of the county committee in a county served by a single county committee.”

§§ 590h-1, 590h-2. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 590h-1, act June 16, 1938, ch. 464, title I, 52 Stat. 746 (the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1939), which authorized the utilization of certain agencies in administering the naval stores conservation programs and in making payments to gum naval stores producers, was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts.

Section 590h-2, act July 2, 1940, ch. 521, § 9, 54 Stat. 729, which related to correction of certain inequities in agricultural adjustment or conservation payments, was omitted as executed.

§ 590h-3. Repealed. Pub. L. 88-534, § 2, Aug. 31, 1964, 78 Stat. 743

Section, act Aug. 28, 1954, ch. 1041, title V, § 503, 68 Stat. 908, provided that nothing in section 590h(b) of this title or in any other law, shall be construed to authorize the imposition of limitations upon the number of terms for which members of county committees established under such section may be reelected. See section 590h(b) of this title.

§ 590h-4. Repealed. Pub. L. 104-127, title III, § 336(a)(2)(G), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1006

Section, act Aug. 3, 1956, ch. 950, § 6(b), 70 Stat. 1033, provided conditions for payments of grants.

§ 590i. Surveys and investigations; publication of information

The Secretary is authorized to conduct surveys, investigations, and research relating to the conditions and factors affecting, and methods of accomplishing most effectively, the policy and purposes of section 590g(a) of this title. Notwithstanding any provision of existing law, the Secretary is authorized to make public such information as he deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

(Apr. 27, 1935, ch. 85, § 9, as added Feb. 29, 1936, ch. 104, § 1, 49 Stat. 1150; amended June 28, 1937, ch. 395, § 2, 50 Stat. 329; Pub. L. 97-375, title I, § 103(c), Dec. 21, 1982, 96 Stat. 1819.)

AMENDMENTS

1982—Pub. L. 97-375 struck out requirement that the Secretary transmit to Congress a report on operations

under this subchapter, including a statement by classes and amounts of expenditures and obligations, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1937, and for each fiscal year thereafter.

1937—Act June 28, 1937, inserted last sentence.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions respecting lands under jurisdiction of Department of the Interior, see Transfer of Functions note set out under section 590a of this title.

§ 590i-1. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, act July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 691 (the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1943), which related to furnishing photographs, mosaics, and maps required by the Soil Conservation Service, was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 434.

June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 560.

June 30, 1939, ch. 253, title I, 53 Stat. 973.

June 16, 1938, ch. 464, title I, 52 Stat. 744.

June 29, 1937, ch. 404, 50 Stat. 429.

§ 590i-2. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, act July 2, 1942, ch. 473, 56 Stat. 508 (the Department of the Interior Appropriation Act, 1943), which related to furnishing photographs, mosaics, and maps required in soil conservation operations of the Department of the Interior, was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts. Similar provision was contained in prior appropriation act of June 28, 1941, ch. 259, 55 Stat. 306.

§ 590j. Definitions

In this chapter:

(1) **Agricultural commodity**

The term “agricultural commodity” means—

- (A) an agricultural commodity; and
- (B) any regional or market classification, type, or grade of an agricultural commodity.

(2) **Technical assistance**

(A) **In general**

The term “technical assistance” means technical expertise, information, and tools necessary for the conservation of natural resources on land active in agricultural, forestry, or related uses.

(B) **Inclusions**

The term “technical assistance” includes—

- (i) technical services provided directly to farmers, ranchers, and other eligible entities, such as conservation planning, technical consultation, and assistance with design and implementation of conservation practices; and
- (ii) technical infrastructure, including activities, processes, tools, and agency functions needed to support delivery of technical services, such as technical standards, resource inventories, training, data, technology, monitoring, and effects analyses.

(Apr. 27, 1935, ch. 85, § 10, as added Feb. 29, 1936, ch. 104, § 1, 49 Stat. 1150; amended Pub. L. 110-234,