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ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIA-
TIONS BILL, 2010

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Mr. KOHL, from the Committee on Appropriations,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1406]

The Committee on Appropriations reports the bill (S. 1406) mak-
ing appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and
Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal
year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes, reports fa-
vorably thereon and recommends that the bill do pass.

Total obligational authority, fiscal year 2010

Total of bill as reported to the Senate	\$123,993,248,000
Amount of 2009 appropriations	126,962,906,000
Amount of 2010 budget estimate	123,759,120,000
Bill as recommended to Senate compared to—	
2009 appropriations	– 2,969,658,000
2010 budget estimate	+ 234,128,000

vide 5 percent. Grants are competitive and are awarded based on specific selection criteria.

Cooperative research agreements are authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2204b. The funds are used for cooperative research agreements, primarily with colleges and universities, on critical operational, organizational, and structural issues facing cooperatives.

Cooperative agreements are authorized under 7 U.S.C. 2201 to any qualified State departments of agriculture, university, and other State entity to conduct research that will strengthen and enhance the operations of agricultural marketing cooperatives in rural areas.

The Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas [ATTRA] program was first authorized by the Food Security Act of 1985. The program provides information and technical assistance to agricultural producers to adopt sustainable agricultural practices that are environmentally friendly and lower production costs.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee recommends an appropriation of \$38,854,000 for Rural Cooperative Development Grants.

Of the funds recommended, \$2,800,000 is for the Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas program through a cooperative agreement with the National Center for Appropriate Technology.

The Committee has included language in the bill that not more than \$3,463,000 shall be made available to cooperatives or associations of cooperatives whose primary focus is to provide assistance to small, minority producers.

Value Added.—The Committee recommends \$21,867,000 for value-added agricultural product market development grants.

RURAL MICROENTERPRISE INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Appropriations, 2009	
Budget estimate, 2010	\$22,000,000
Committee recommendation	22,000,000

This program, authorized by section 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.), provides micro-entrepreneurs with the skills necessary to establish new rural microenterprises, as well as support these types of businesses with technical and financial assistance. The program provides loans and grants to intermediaries that assist micro-entrepreneurs. The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 makes available \$4,000,000 of mandatory funding for fiscal year 2010.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee recommends an appropriation of \$22,000,000 for the Rural Microenterprise Investment Program.

The following table provides the Committee's recommendation as compared to the fiscal year 2009 and budget request levels:

CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING ITEMS—Continued

Account	Project	Funding	Member
ARS/S&E	North Carolina Human Nutrition Center, ARS, Kannapolis, NC	\$1,000,000	Burr and Hagan
ARS/S&E	Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory, ARS, Mandan, ND	\$543,000	Conrad and Dorgan
ARS/S&E	Northwest Center for Small Fruits Research, ARS, Corvallis, OR	\$275,000	Merkley, Murray, and Wyden
ARS/S&E	Pacific Basin Agricultural Research Center Staffing, ARS, Hilo, HI	\$700,000	Akaka and Inouye
ARS/S&E	Phytoestrogen Research, ARS, New Orleans, LA	\$1,750,000	Landrieu
ARS/S&E	Potato Diseases, ARS, Beltsville, MD	\$40,000	Cardin
ARS/S&E	Poultry Diseases, ARS, Beltsville, MD	\$408,000	Cardin and Mikulski
ARS/S&E	Seismic and Acoustic Technologies in Soils Sedimentation Laboratory, ARS, Oxford, MS	\$332,000	Cochran
ARS/S&E	Sorghum Research, ARS, Little Rock, AR	\$135,000	Lincoln and Pryor
ARS/S&E	Termite Species in Hawaii, ARS, New Orleans, LA	\$200,000	Akaka and Inouye
ARS/S&E	Tropical Aquaculture Feeds, ARS, Hilo, HI	\$1,438,000	Akaka and Inouye
ARS/S&E	Water Management Research Laboratory, ARS, Brawley, CA	\$340,000	Boxer and Feinstein
ARS/S&E	Water Use Reduction, ARS, Dawson, GA	\$657,000	Chambliss and Isakson
ARS/S&E	Wild Rice, ARS, St. Paul, MN	\$300,000	Klobuchar
General Provision	Agricultural pest facility, APHIS Hawaii	\$2,600,000	Akaka and Inouye
General Provision	Market Development, Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Foods, and Markets	\$1,000,000	Leahy
General Provision	Market Development, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection	\$2,000,000	Kohl
General Provision	Phase II construction, National Center for Natural Products Research, Oxford, Mississippi	\$3,497,000	Cochran and Wicker
General Provision	Specialty Markets, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection	\$350,000	Kohl
General Provision	Workforce development and out-migration, Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation	\$250,000	Brownback
NIFA/Extension	Childhood Farm Safety, Farm Safety 4 Just Kids, Urbandale, IA	\$75,000	Grassley and Harkin
NIFA/Extension	Conservation Technology Transfer, University of Wisconsin Extension	\$376,000	Kohl
NIFA/Extension	Dairy education, Iowa State University	\$175,000	Harkin
NIFA/Extension	E-commerce, Mississippi State University	\$231,000	Cochran and Wicker
NIFA/Extension	Efficient irrigation, New Mexico State University, Texas AgriLife Research, College Station, TX	\$475,000	Bingaman, Cornyn, and Hutchison
NIFA/Extension	Extension specialist, Mississippi State University	\$98,000	Cochran and Wicker
NIFA/Extension	Food Production Education, Vermont Community Foundation, Middlebury, VT	\$120,000	Sanders
NIFA/Extension	Health education leadership, University of Kentucky Research Foundation	\$590,000	McConnell
NIFA/Extension	Institute for Sustainable Agriculture, University of Wisconsin-Madison	\$400,000	Kohl
NIFA/Extension	Invasive Phragmites Control and Outreach, Ducks Unlimited	\$155,000	Levin and Stabenow
NIFA/Extension	Iowa Vitality Center, Iowa State University	\$250,000	Grassley and Harkin
NIFA/Extension	Maine Cattle Health Assurance Program, Maine Department of Agriculture	\$700,000	Collins
NIFA/Extension	National Center for Farm Safety, Northeast Iowa Community College	\$170,000	Harkin
NIFA/Extension	Nutrition enhancement, University of Wisconsin Extension and Wisconsin Department of Public Institutions	\$950,000	Kohl
NIFA/Extension	Ohio-Israel Agriculture Initiative, The Negev Foundation, OH	\$700,000	Brown and Voinovich
NIFA/Extension	Pilot technology transfer, Mississippi State University, Oklahoma State University	\$209,000	Cochran, Inhofe, and Wicker

CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING ITEMS—Continued

Account	Project	Funding	Member
NRCS/WFPO	Lahaina Watershed, NRCS Hawaii	\$1,000,000	Akaka and Inouye
NRCS/WFPO	Lost River, NRCS West Virginia	\$4,000,000	Byrd
NRCS/WFPO	Lower Hamakua Ditch Watershed, NRCS Hawaii	\$1,800,000	Akaka and Inouye
NRCS/WFPO	Missouri Watershed Projects, NRCS Missouri	\$2,000,000	Bond
NRCS/WFPO	Pocasset River Watershed, NRCS Rhode Island	\$2,000,000	Reed
NRCS/WFPO	Upcountry Maui Watershed, NRCS Hawaii	\$2,000,000	Akaka and Inouye
NRCS/WFPO	Upper Clark Fork Watershed, Watershed Restoration Coalition, MT	\$200,000	Tester
NRCS/WFPO	Wailuku-Alenai, NRCS Hawaii	\$250,000	Akaka and Inouye
RCDG	Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas, National Center for Appropriate Technology, Butte, MT	\$2,800,000	Baucus, Feinstein, Harkin, Johnson, Lincoln, Pryor, Specter, and Tester

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

[In thousands of dollars]

Item	2009 appropriation	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or -)	
				2009 appropriation	Budget estimate
TITLE I—AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS					
Production, Processing, and Marketing					
Office of the Secretary	5,174	5,285	5,285	+ 111	.....
Office of Tribal Relations .....	.....	1,000	1,000	+ 1,000	.....
Executive Operations:					
Office of Chief Economist	10,651	16,732	13,032	+ 2,381	- 3,700
National Appeals Division	14,711	15,559	15,219	+ 508	- 340
Office of Budget and Program Analysis	9,054	9,436	9,436	+ 382	.....
Office of Homeland Security	974	2,994	1,859	+ 885	- 1,135
Office of Advocacy and Outreach .....	.....	3,000	.....	.....	- 3,000
Office of the Chief Information Officer	17,527	63,579	63,579	+ 46,052
Office of the Chief Financial Officer	5,954	6,566	6,566	+ 612

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 [In thousands of dollars]

Item	2009 appropriation	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or -)	
				2009 appropriation	Budget estimate
Grants	9,134	9,134	9,134		
Total, Farm Labor Housing Program Account	18,269	16,968	16,968	-1,301	
Rural community facilities program account:					
Loan authorizations:					
Community facility:					
Direct	(294,948)	(294,962)	(294,962)	(+14)	
Guaranteed	(206,425)	(206,417)	(206,417)	(-8)	
Total, Loan authorizations	(501,373)	(501,379)	(501,379)	(+6)	
Loan subsidies and grants:					
Community facility:					
Direct	16,871	3,864	3,864	-13,007	
Emergency appropriations	67,000			-67,000	
Guaranteed	6,358	6,626	6,626	+268	
Grants	20,373	20,373	20,373		
Emergency appropriations	63,000			-63,000	
Rural community development initiative	6,256	6,256	6,256		
Economic impact initiative grants	10,000	13,902	13,902	+3,902	
Tribal college grants	3,972	3,972	3,972		
Total, RCP Loan subsidies and grants	193,830	54,993	54,993	-138,837	
Subtotal, grants and payments	292,326	152,188	152,188	-140,138	
Total, Rural Housing Service	2,083,708	1,894,599	1,883,132	-200,566	-11,407
(Loan authorization)	(8,122,872)	(8,103,465)	(14,004,034)	(+5,881,162)	(+5,900,569)

Rural Business—Cooperative Service:					
Rural Business Program Account:					
(Guaranteed business and industry loans)	(993,000)	(993,002)	(993,002)	(+ 2)	.....
Loan subsidies and grants:					
Guaranteed business and industry subsidy	43,196	52,927	52,927	+ 9,731	.....
Emergency appropriations	130,000			- 130,000	.....
Grants:					
Rural business enterprise	38,727	38,727	38,727		.....
Emergency appropriations	20,000			- 20,000	.....
Rural business opportunity	2,483	2,483	2,483		.....
Delta regional authority	2,979	2,979	2,979		.....
Total, RBP loan subsidies and grants	237,385	97,116	97,116	- 140,269	.....
Rural Development Loan Fund Program Account:					
(Loan authorization)	(33,536)	(33,536)	(33,536)		.....
Loan subsidy	14,035	8,464	8,464	- 5,571	.....
Administrative expenses (transfer to RD)	4,853	4,941	4,941	+ 88	.....
Total, Rural Development Loan Fund	18,888	13,405	13,405	- 5,483	.....
Rural Economic Development Loans Program Account:					
(Loan authorization)	(33,077)	(33,077)	(33,077)		.....
Rural cooperative development grants:					
Cooperative development	4,424	10,424	10,424	+ 6,000	.....
Appropriate technology transfer for rural areas	2,582	2,582	2,800	+ 218	+ 218
Cooperative research agreement	300	300	300		.....
Value-added agricultural product market development	3,867	21,867	21,867	+ 18,000	.....
Grants to assist minority producers	1,463	3,463	3,463	+ 2,000	.....
Total, Rural Cooperative development grants	12,636	38,636	38,854	+ 26,218	+ 218
Rural Microenterprise Investment Program Account:					
(Loan authorization)		(51,522)	(51,522)	(+ 51,522)	.....
Loan subsidy		11,000	11,000	+ 11,000	.....
Grants		11,000	11,000	+ 11,000	.....
Total, Rural Microenterprise Investment		22,000	22,000	+ 22,000	.....
Rural empowerment zones and enterprise communities grants	8,130			- 8,130	.....
Rural energy for America:					
(Loan authorization)	(28,379)	(246,334)	(246,334)	(+ 217,955)	.....