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1 SEC. 1001. DEFINITIONS.

2	In this title (other than subtitle C):
3	(1) AGRICULTURAL ACT OF 1949.—The term
4	"Agricultural Act of 1949" means the Agricultural
5	Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1421 et seq.), as in effect
6	prior to the suspensions under section 171 of the
7	Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of
8	1996 (7 U.S.C. 7301), section 1602(b) of the Farm
9	Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7
10	U.S.C. 7992(b)), and section 1602(b) of this Act.
11	(2) Base acres.—The term "base acres", with
12	respect to a covered commodity on a farm, means
13	the number of acres established under section 1101
14	of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of
15	2002 (7 U.S.C. 7911), as in effect on the day before
16	the date of the enactment of this Act, subject to any
17	adjustment under section 1101 of this Act.
18	(3) Comparable united states quality.—
19	The term "Comparable United States Quality", with
20	respect to upland cotton, means upland cotton clas-
21	sified as Middling (M) 13/32-inch cotton with a
22	micronaire of 3.7 to 4.2, strength 30 grams per tex,
23	and uniformity of 83.
24	(4) Counter-cyclical payment.—The term
25	"counter-cyclical payment" means a payment made
26	to producers on a farm under section 1103.

1	(5) COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENT ACRES.—The
2	term "counter-cyclical payment acres", with respect
3	to a covered commodity on a farm, means 85 per-
4	cent of the base acres for the covered commodity on
5	which counter-cyclical payments are made.
6	(6) COVERED COMMODITY.—The term "covered
7	commodity" means wheat, corn, grain sorghum, bar-
8	ley, oats, upland cotton, rice, soybeans, and other
9	oilseeds.
10	(7) DIRECT PAYMENT.—The term "direct pay-
11	ment" means a payment made to producers on a
12	farm under section 1102.
13	(8) DIRECT PAYMENT ACRES.—The term "di-
14	rect payment acres", with respect to a covered com-
15	modity on a farm, means the following percentage of
16	the base acres for the covered commodity on which
17	direct payments are made:
18	(A) In the case of wheat, 8 percent.
19	(B) In the case of corn, 8 percent.
20	(C) In the case of grain sorghum, 8 per-
21	cent.
22	(D) In the case of barley, 8 percent.
23	(E) In the case of oats, 8 percent.
24	(F) In the case of upland cotton, 8 per-
25	cent.

1	(G) In the case of rice, 8 percent.
2	(H) In the case of soybeans, 8 percent.
3	(I) In the case of other oilseeds, 8 per-
4	cent.
5	(9) Effective Price.—The term "effective
6	price", with respect to a covered commodity for a
7	crop year, means the price calculated by the Sec-
8	retary under section 1103 to determine whether
9	counter-cyclical payments are required to be made
10	for that crop year.
11	(10) Extra long staple cotton.—The term
12	"extra long staple cotton" means cotton that—
13	(A) is produced from pure strain varieties
14	of the Barbadense species or any hybrid of the
15	species, or other similar types of extra long sta-
16	ple cotton, designated by the Secretary, having
17	characteristics needed for various end uses for
18	which United States upland cotton is not suit-
19	able and grown in irrigated cotton-growing re-
20	gions of the United States designated by the
21	Secretary or other areas designated by the Sec-
22	retary as suitable for the production of the vari-
23	eties or types; and

1	(B) is ginned on a roller-type gin or, if au-
2	thorized by the Secretary, ginned on another
3	type gin for experimental purposes.
4	(11) FAR EAST PRICE.—The term "Far East
5	price" means the Friday through Thursday average
6	price quotation for the three lowest-priced growths
7	of upland cotton, as quoted for Middling (M) $1\frac{3}{32}$ -
8	inch cotton, delivered C/F Far East.
9	(12) LOAN COMMODITY.—The term "loan com-
10	modity" means wheat, corn, grain sorghum, feed
11	barley, malt barley, oats, upland cotton, extra long
12	staple cotton, long grain rice, medium grain rice,
13	short grain rice, soybeans, other oilseeds, wool, mo-
14	hair, honey, dry peas, lentils, and small chickpeas.
15	(13) OTHER OILSEED.—The term "other oil-
16	seed" means a crop of sunflower seed, rapeseed,
17	canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe,
18	sesame seed, or, if designated by the Secretary, an-
19	other oilseed.
20	(14) Payment yield.—The term "payment
21	yield" means the yield established for direct pay-
22	ments and counter-cyclical payments under section
23	1102 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment
24	Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 7912), as in effect on the day

1	before the date of the enactment of this Act, for a
2	farm for a covered commodity.
3	(15) Producer.—
4	(A) In General.—The term "producer"
5	means an owner, operator, landlord, tenant, or
6	sharecropper that shares in the risk of pro-
7	ducing a crop and is entitled to share in the
8	crop available for marketing from the farm, or
9	would have shared had the crop been produced.
10	(B) Hybrid seed.—In determining
11	whether a grower of hybrid seed is a producer,
12	the Secretary shall—
13	(i) not take into consideration the ex-
14	istence of a hybrid seed contract; and
15	(ii) ensure that program requirements
16	do not adversely affect the ability of the
17	grower to receive a payment under this
18	title.
19	(16) Secretary.—The term "Secretary"
20	means the Secretary of Agriculture.
21	(17) STATE.—The term "State" means each of
22	the several States of the United States, the District
23	of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and
24	any other territory or possession of the United
25	States.

1	(18) Target price.—The term "target price"
2	means the price per bushel (or other appropriate
3	unit in the case of upland cotton, rice, and other oil-
4	seeds) of a covered commodity used to determine the
5	payment rate for counter-cyclical payments.
6	(19) United states.—The term "United
7	States", when used in a geographical sense, means
8	all of the States.
9	(20) United states premium factor.—The
10	term "United States Premium Factor" means the
11	percentage by which the difference in the United
12	States loan schedule premiums for Strict Middling
13	(SM) $1\frac{1}{8}$ -inch cotton and for M $1\frac{3}{32}$ -inch exceeds
14	the difference in the applicable premiums for com-
15	parable international qualities delivered C/F Far
16	East.
17	Subtitle A—Direct Payments and
18	Counter-Cyclical Payments
19	SEC. 1101. ADJUSTMENTS TO BASE ACRES.
20	(a) Treatment of Conservation Reserve Con-
21	TRACT ACREAGE.—
22	(1) In general.—The Secretary shall provide
23	for an adjustment, as appropriate, in the base acres
24	for covered commodities for a farm whenever either
25	of the following circumstances occurs:

1	(A) A conservation reserve contract en-
2	tered into under section 1231 of the Food Secu-
3	rity Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3831) with respect
4	to the farm expires or is voluntarily terminated.
5	(B) Cropland is released from coverage
6	under a conservation reserve contract by the
7	Secretary.
8	(2) Special payment rules.—For the crop
9	year in which a base acres adjustment under para-
10	graph (1) is first made, the owner of the farm shall
11	elect to receive either direct payments and counter-
12	cyclical payments with respect to the acreage added
13	to the farm under this subsection or a prorated pay-
14	ment under the conservation reserve contract, but
15	not both.
16	(b) Prevention of Excess Base Acres.—
17	(1) REQUIRED REDUCTION.—If the sum of the
18	base acres for a farm, together with the acreage de-
19	scribed in paragraph (2), exceeds the actual crop-
20	land acreage of the farm, the Secretary shall reduce
21	the base acres for 1 or more covered commodities for
22	the farm so that the sum of the base acres and acre-
23	age described in paragraph (2) does not exceed the
24	actual cropland acreage of the farm.

1	(2) Other acreage.—For purposes of para-
2	graph (1), the Secretary shall include the following:
3	(A) Any acreage on the farm enrolled in
4	the conservation reserve program or wetlands
5	reserve program under chapter 1 of subtitle D
6	of title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985
7	(16 U.S.C. 3830 et seq.).
8	(B) Any other acreage on the farm en-
9	rolled in a conservation program for which pay-
10	ments are made in exchange for not producing
11	an agricultural commodity on the acreage.
12	(3) Selection of Acres.—The Secretary shall
13	give the owner of the farm the opportunity to select
14	the base acres against which the reduction required
15	by paragraph (1) will be made.
16	(4) Exception for double-cropped acre-
17	AGE.—In applying paragraph (1), the Secretary
18	shall make an exception in the case of double crop-
19	ping, as determined by the Secretary.
20	(c) PERMANENT REDUCTION IN BASE ACRES.—
21	(1) In general.—The owner of a farm may
22	reduce, at any time, the base acres for any covered
23	commodity for the farm.

1	(2) Administration.—The reduction shall be
2	permanent and made in the manner prescribed by
3	the Secretary.
4	SEC. 1102. AVAILABILITY OF DIRECT PAYMENTS.
5	(a) Payment Required.—For each of the 2008
6	through 2012 crop years of each covered commodity, the
7	Secretary shall make direct payments to producers on
8	farms for which payment yields and base acres are estab-
9	lished.
10	(b) PAYMENT RATE.—The payment rates used to
11	make direct payments with respect to covered commodities
12	for a crop year are as follows:
13	(1) Wheat, \$0.52 per bushel.
14	(2) Corn, \$0.28 per bushel.
15	(3) Grain sorghum, \$0.35 per bushel.
16	(4) Barley, \$0.24 per bushel.
17	(5) Oats, \$0.024 per bushel.
18	(6) Upland cotton, \$0.0667 per pound.
19	(7) Rice, \$2.35 per hundredweight.
20	(8) Soybeans, \$0.44 per bushel.
21	(9) Other oilseeds, \$0.0080 per pound.
22	(c) PAYMENT AMOUNT.—The amount of the direct
23	payment to be paid to the producers on a farm for a cov-
24	ered commodity for a crop year shall be equal to the prod-
25	uct of the following:

1	(1) The payment rate specified in subsection
2	(b).
3	(2) The direct payment acres of the covered
4	commodity on the farm.
5	(3) The payment yield for the covered com-
6	modity for the farm.
7	(d) Time for Payment.—
8	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make di-
9	rect payments—
10	(A) in the case of the 2008 crop year, as
11	soon as practicable after the date of enactment
12	of this Act; and
13	(B) in the case of each of the 2009
14	through 2012 crop years, not before October 1
15	of the calendar year in which the crop of the
16	covered commodity is harvested.
17	(2) Advance payments.—
18	(A) Option.—At the option of the pro-
19	ducers on a farm, up to 22 percent of the direct
20	payment for a covered commodity for any of the
21	2009 through 2012 crop years shall be paid to
22	the producers in advance.
23	(B) Month.—

1	(i) Selection.—The producers shall
2	select the month within which the advance
3	payment for a crop year will be made.
4	(ii) Options.—The month selected
5	may be any month during the period be-
6	ginning on December 1 of the calendar
7	year before the calendar year in which the
8	crop of the covered commodity is harvested
9	through the month within which the direct
10	payment would otherwise be made.
11	(iii) Change.—The producers may
12	change the selected month for a subse-
13	quent advance payment by providing ad-
14	vance notice to the Secretary.
15	(3) Repayment of advance payments.—If a
16	producer on a farm that receives an advance direct
17	payment for a crop year ceases to be a producer on
18	that farm, or the extent to which the producer
19	shares in the risk of producing a crop changes, be-
20	fore the date the remainder of the direct payment is
21	made, the producer shall be responsible for repaying
22	the Secretary the applicable amount of the advance
23	payment, as determined by the Secretary.

1	SEC. 1103. AVAILABILITY OF COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAY-
2	MENTS.
3	(a) Payment Required.—For each of the 2008
4	through 2012 crop years for each covered commodity, the
5	Secretary shall make counter-cyclical payments to pro-
6	ducers on farms for which payment yields and base acres
7	are established with respect to the covered commodity if
8	the Secretary determines that the effective price for the
9	covered commodity is less than the target price for the
10	covered commodity.
11	(b) Effective Price.—For purposes of subsection
12	(a), the effective price for a covered commodity is equal
13	to the sum of the following:
14	(1) The higher of the following:
15	(A) The national average market price re-
16	ceived by producers during the 12-month mar-
17	keting year for the covered commodity, as de-
18	termined by the Secretary.
19	(B) The national average loan rate for a
20	marketing assistance loan for the covered com-
21	modity in effect for the applicable period under
22	subtitle B.
23	(2) The payment rate in effect for the covered
24	commodity under section 1102 for the purpose of
25	making direct payments with respect to the covered
26	commodity.

1	(c) Target Price.—For purposes of subsection (a),
2	the target prices for covered commodities shall be as fol-
3	lows:
4	(1) Wheat, \$4.15 per bushel.
5	(2) Corn, \$2.63 per bushel.
6	(3) Grain sorghum, \$2.57 per bushel.
7	(4) Barley, \$2.32 per bushel.
8	(5) Oats, \$1.50 per bushel.
9	(6) Upland cotton, \$0.70 per pound.
10	(7) Rice, \$10.50 per hundredweight.
11	(8) Soybeans, \$6.00 per bushel.
12	(9) Other oilseeds, \$0.1010 per pound.
13	(d) Payment Rate.—The payment rate used to
14	make counter-cyclical payments with respect to a covered
15	commodity for a crop year shall be equal to the difference
16	between—
17	(1) the target price for the covered commodity;
18	and
19	(2) the effective price determined under sub-
20	section (b) for the covered commodity.
21	(e) Payment Amount.—If counter-cyclical pay-
22	ments are required to be paid under this section for any
23	of the 2008 through 2012 crop years of a covered com-
24	modity, the amount of the counter-cyclical payment to be

1	paid to the producers on a farm for that crop year shall
2	be equal to the product of the following:
3	(1) The payment rate specified in subsection
4	(d).
5	(2) The counter-cyclical payment acres of the
6	covered commodity on the farm.
7	(3) The payment yield for the covered com-
8	modity for the farm.
9	(f) Time for Payments.—
10	(1) General Rule.—If the Secretary deter-
11	mines under subsection (a) that counter-cyclical pay-
12	ments are required to be made under this section for
13	the crop of a covered commodity, the Secretary shall
14	make the counter-cyclical payments for the crop as
15	soon as practicable after the end of the 12-month
16	marketing year for the covered commodity.
17	(2) Availability of Partial Payments.—If,
18	before the end of the 12-month marketing year for
19	a covered commodity, the Secretary estimates that
20	counter-cyclical payments will be required for the
21	crop of the covered commodity, the Secretary shall
22	give producers on a farm the option to receive par-
23	tial payments of the counter-cyclical payment pro-
24	jected to be made for that crop of the covered com-

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modity.

1	(3) Time for partial payments.—When the
2	Secretary makes partial payments available for a
3	covered commodity for each of the 2008 through
4	2012 crop years—
5	(A) the first partial payment shall be made
6	after completion of the first 6 months of the
7	marketing year for the covered commodity; and
8	(B) the final partial payment shall be
9	made as soon as practicable after the end of the
10	12-month marketing year for the covered com-
11	modity.
12	(4) Amount of Partial Payments.—
13	(A) FIRST PARTIAL PAYMENT.—For each
14	of the 2008 through 2012 crop years, the first
15	partial payment under paragraph (3) to the
16	producers on a farm may not exceed 40 percent
17	of the projected counter-cyclical payment for
18	the covered commodity for the crop year, as de-
19	termined by the Secretary.
20	(B) FINAL PAYMENT.—The final payment
21	for each of the 2008 through 2012 crop years
22	shall be equal to the difference between—
23	(i) the actual counter-cyclical payment
24	to be made to the producers for the cov-
25	ered commodity for that crop year; and

1	(ii) the amount of the partial payment
2	made to the producers under subparagraph
3	(A).
4	(5) Repayment.—The producers on a farm
5	that receive a partial payment under this subsection
6	for a crop year shall repay to the Secretary the
7	amount, if any, by which the total of the partial pay-
8	ments exceed the actual counter-cyclical payment to
9	be made for the covered commodity for that crop
10	year.
11	SEC. 1104. PRODUCER AGREEMENT REQUIRED AS CONDI-
12	TION OF PROVISION OF DIRECT PAYMENTS
12 13	TION OF PROVISION OF DIRECT PAYMENTS AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS.
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13 14 15 16	AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS. (a) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.— (1) REQUIREMENTS.—Before the producers on a farm may receive direct payments or counter-cycli-
113 114 115 116 117	AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS. (a) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.— (1) REQUIREMENTS.—Before the producers on a farm may receive direct payments or counter-cyclical payments with respect to the farm, the producers
13 14 15 16	AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS. (a) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.— (1) REQUIREMENTS.—Before the producers on a farm may receive direct payments or counter-cyclical payments with respect to the farm, the producers shall agree, during the crop year for which the pay-
113 114 115 116 117 118 119	AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS. (a) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.— (1) REQUIREMENTS.—Before the producers on a farm may receive direct payments or counter-cyclical payments with respect to the farm, the producers shall agree, during the crop year for which the payments are made and in exchange for the payments—
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS. (a) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.— (1) REQUIREMENTS.—Before the producers on a farm may receive direct payments or counter-cyclical payments with respect to the farm, the producers shall agree, during the crop year for which the payments are made and in exchange for the payments— (A) to comply with applicable conservation

1	(B) to comply with applicable wetland pro-
2	tection requirements under subtitle C of title
3	XII of that Act (16 U.S.C. 3821 et seq.);
4	(C) to comply with the planting flexibility
5	requirements of section 1105;
6	(D) to use the land on the farm, in a
7	quantity equal to the attributable base acres for
8	the farm for an agricultural or conserving use,
9	and not for a nonagricultural commercial or in-
10	dustrial use, as determined by the Secretary;
11	and
12	(E) to effectively control noxious weeds
13	and otherwise maintain the land in accordance
14	with sound agricultural practices, as determined
15	by the Secretary.
16	(2) Compliance.—The Secretary may issue
17	such rules as the Secretary considers necessary to
18	ensure producer compliance with the requirements of
19	paragraph (1).
20	(3) Modification.—At the request of the
21	transferee or owner, the Secretary may modify the
22	requirements of this subsection if the modifications
23	are consistent with the objectives of this subsection,
24	as determined by the Secretary.

1	(b) Transfer or Change of Interest in
2	FARM.—
3	(1) TERMINATION.—
4	(A) In general.—Except as provided in
5	paragraph (2), a transfer of (or change in) the
6	interest of the producers on a farm in base
7	acres for which direct payments or counter-cy-
8	clical payments are made shall result in the ter-
9	mination of the payments with respect to the
10	base acres, unless the transferee or owner of
11	the acreage agrees to assume all obligations
12	under subsection (a).
13	(B) Effective date.—The termination
14	shall take effect on the date determined by the
15	Secretary.
16	(2) Exception.—If a producer entitled to a di-
17	rect payment or counter-cyclical payment dies, be-
18	comes incompetent, or is otherwise unable to receive
19	the payment, the Secretary shall make the payment,
20	in accordance with rules issued by the Secretary.
21	(c) Acreage Reports.—As a condition on the re-
22	ceipt of any benefits under this subtitle or subtitle B, the
23	Secretary shall require producers on a farm to submit to
24	the Secretary annual acreage reports with respect to all
25	cropland on the farm.

1	(d) Tenants and Sharecroppers.—In carrying
2	out this subtitle, the Secretary shall provide adequate safe-
3	guards to protect the interests of tenants and share-
4	croppers.
5	(e) Sharing of Payments.—The Secretary shall
6	provide for the sharing of direct payments and counter-
7	cyclical payments among the producers on a farm on a
8	fair and equitable basis.
9	SEC. 1105. PLANTING FLEXIBILITY.
10	(a) Permitted Crops.—Subject to subsection (b),
11	any commodity or crop may be planted on base acres on
12	a farm.
13	(b) Limitations Regarding Certain Commod-
14	ITIES.—
15	(1) General Limitation.—The planting of an
16	agricultural commodity specified in paragraph (3)
17	shall be prohibited on base acres unless the com-
18	modity, if planted, is destroyed before harvest.
19	(2) Treatment of trees and other
20	PERENNIALS.—The planting of an agricultural com-
21	modity specified in paragraph (3) that is produced
22	on a tree or other perennial plant shall be prohibited
23	on base acres.

1	(3) COVERED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.—
2	Paragraphs (1) and (2) apply to the following agri-
3	cultural commodities:
4	(A) Fruits.
5	(B) Vegetables (other than lentils, mung
6	beans, and dry peas).
7	(C) Wild rice.
8	(c) Exceptions.—Paragraphs (1) and (2) of sub-
9	section (b) shall not limit the planting of an agricultural
10	commodity specified in paragraph (3) of that subsection—
11	(1) in any region in which there is a history of
12	double-cropping of covered commodities with agricul-
13	tural commodities specified in subsection (b)(3), as
14	determined by the Secretary, in which case the dou-
15	ble-cropping shall be permitted;
16	(2) on a farm that the Secretary determines
17	has a history of planting agricultural commodities
18	specified in subsection (b)(3) on base acres, except
19	that direct payments and counter-cyclical payments
20	shall be reduced by an acre for each acre planted to
21	such an agricultural commodity; or
22	(3) by the producers on a farm that the Sec-
23	retary determines has an established planting his-
24	tory of a specific agricultural commodity specified in
25	subsection (b)(3), except that—

1	(A) the quantity planted may not exceed
2	the average annual planting history of such ag-
3	ricultural commodity by the producers on the
4	farm in the 1991 through 1995 or 1998
5	through 2001 crop years (excluding any crop
6	year in which no plantings were made), as de-
7	termined by the Secretary; and
8	(B) direct payments and counter-cyclical
9	payments shall be reduced by an acre for each
10	acre planted to such agricultural commodity.
11	(d) Planting Transferability Pilot Project.—
12	(1) Pilot project authorized.—In addition
13	to the exceptions provided in subsection (c), the Sec-
14	retary shall carry out a pilot project in the State of
15	Indiana under which paragraphs (1) and (2) of sub-
16	section (b) shall not limit the planting of tomatoes
17	grown for processing on up to 10,000 base acres
18	during each of the 2008 through 2012 crop years.
19	(2) Contract and management require-
20	MENTS.— To be eligible for selection to participate
21	in the pilot project, a producer must—
22	(A) have a contract to grow tomatoes for
23	processing; and
24	(B) agree to produce the tomatoes as part
25	of a program of crop rotation on the farm to

1	achieve agronomic and pest and disease man-
2	agement benefits.
3	(3) Temporary reduction in base acres.—
4	The base acres on a farm for a crop year shall be
5	reduced by an acre for each acre planted to tomatoes
6	under the pilot program.
7	(4) Duration of Reductions.—The reduc-
8	tion in the base acres of a farm for a crop year
9	under paragraph (3) shall expire at the end of the
10	crop year, unless the producers on the farm elect to
11	continue to participate in the pilot project for the
12	subsequent crop year.
13	(5) RECALCULATION OF BASE ACRES.—If the
14	Secretary recalculates base acres for a farm while
15	the farm is included in the pilot project, the planting
16	and production of tomatoes under the pilot project
17	shall be considered to be the same as the planting,
18	prevented planting, or production of a covered com-
19	modity. Nothing in this paragraph provides author-
20	ity for the Secretary to recalculate base acres for a
21	farm.
22	SEC. 1106. PERIOD OF EFFECTIVENESS.
23	This subtitle shall be effective beginning with the
24	2008 crop year of each covered commodity through the
25	2012 crop year.

1	Subtitle B-Marketing Assistance
2	Loans and Loan Deficiency Pay-
3	ments
4	SEC. 1201. AVAILABILITY OF NONRECOURSE MARKETING
5	ASSISTANCE LOANS FOR LOAN COMMOD-
6	ITIES.
7	(a) Nonrecourse Loans Available.—
8	(1) Availability.—For each of the 2008
9	through 2012 crops of each loan commodity, the
10	Secretary shall make available to producers on a
11	farm nonrecourse marketing assistance loans for
12	loan commodities produced on the farm.
13	(2) Terms and conditions.—The marketing
14	assistance loans shall be made under terms and con-
15	ditions that are prescribed by the Secretary and at
16	the loan rate established under section 1202 for the
17	loan commodity.
18	(b) Eligible Production.—The producers on a
19	farm shall be eligible for a marketing assistance loan
20	under subsection (a) for any quantity of a loan commodity
21	produced on the farm.
22	(e) Treatment of Certain Commingled Com-
23	MODITIES.—In carrying out this subtitle, the Secretary
24	shall make loans to producers on a farm that would be
25	eligible to obtain a marketing assistance loan, but for the

- 1 fact the loan commodity owned by the producers on the
- 2 farm commingled with loan commodities of other pro-
- 3 ducers in facilities unlicensed for the storage of agricul-
- 4 tural commodities by the Secretary or a State licensing
- 5 authority, if the producers obtaining the loan agree to im-
- 6 mediately redeem the loan collateral in accordance with
- 7 section 166 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and
- 8 Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7286).
- 9 (d) Compliance With Conservation and Wet-
- 10 Lands Requirements.—As a condition of the receipt of
- 11 a marketing assistance loan under subsection (a), the pro-
- 12 ducer shall comply with applicable conservation require-
- 13 ments under subtitle B of title XII of the Food Security
- 14 Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3811 et seq.) and applicable wet-
- 15 land protection requirements under subtitle C of title XII
- 16 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3821 et seq.) during the term of
- 17 the loan.
- 18 SEC. 1202. LOAN RATES FOR NONRECOURSE MARKETING
- 19 ASSISTANCE LOANS.
- 20 (a) Loan Rates.—The loan rate for a marketing as-
- 21 sistance loan under section 1201 for a loan commodity
- 22 shall be equal to the following:
- (1) In the case of wheat, \$2.94 per bushel.
- 24 (2) In the case of corn, \$1.93 per bushel.

1	(3) In the case of grain sorghum, \$1.93 per
2	bushel.
3	(4) In the case of malt barley, \$2.50 per bushel.
4	(5) In the case of feed barley, \$1.93 per bushel.
5	(6) In the case of oats, \$1.39 per bushel.
6	(7) In the case of upland cotton, \$0.50 per
7	pound.
8	(8) In the case of extra long staple cotton,
9	\$0.7977 per pound.
10	(9) In the case of long grain rice, \$6.53 per
11	hundredweight.
12	(10) In the case of medium grain rice and short
13	grain rice, \$6.53 per hundredweight.
14	(11) In the case of soybeans, \$5.02 per bushel.
15	(12) In the case of other oilseeds, \$0.1070 per
16	pound for each of the following kinds of oilseeds:
17	(A) Sunflower seed.
18	(B) Rapeseed.
19	(C) Canola.
20	(D) Safflower.
21	(E) Flaxseed.
22	(F) Mustard seed.
23	(G) Crambe.
24	(H) Sesame seed.

1	(I) Other oilseeds designated by the Sec-
2	retary.
3	(13) In the case of dry peas, \$5.40 per hun-
4	dredweight.
5	(14) In the case of lentils, \$11.28 per hundred-
6	weight.
7	(15) In the case of small chickpeas, \$8.54 per
8	hundredweight.
9	(b) SINGLE COUNTY LOAN RATE FOR OTHER OIL-
10	SEEDS.—The Secretary shall establish a single loan rate
11	in each county for each kind of other oilseeds described
12	in subsection (a)(11).
13	SEC. 1203. TERM OF LOANS.
14	(a) TERM OF LOAN.—In the case of each loan com-
15	modity, a marketing assistance loan under section 1201
16	shall have a term of 9 months beginning on the first day
17	of the first month after the month in which the loan is
18	made.
19	(b) Extensions Prohibited.—The Secretary may
20	not extend the term of a marketing assistance loan for
21	any loan commodity.
22	SEC. 1204. REPAYMENT OF LOANS.
23	(a) General Rule.—The Secretary shall permit the
24	producers on a farm to repay a marketing assistance loan
25	under section 1201 for a loan commodity (other than up-

1	land cotton, long grain rice, medium grain rice, short
2	grain rice, extra long staple cotton, and confectionery and
3	each other kind of sunflower seed (other than oil sunflower
4	seed)) at the lesser of the following:
5	(1) The loan rate established for the commodity
6	under section 1202, plus interest (determined in ac-
7	cordance with section 163 of the Federal Agriculture
8	Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C.
9	7283)).
10	(2) A rate that the Secretary determines will—
11	(A) minimize potential loan forfeitures;
12	(B) minimize the accumulation of stocks of
13	the commodity by the Federal Government;
14	(C) minimize the cost incurred by the Fed-
15	eral Government in storing the commodity;
16	(D) allow the commodity produced in the
17	United States to be marketed freely and com-
18	petitively, both domestically and internationally
19	and
20	(E) minimize discrepancies in marketing
21	loan benefits across State boundaries and
22	across county boundaries.
23	(b) Repayment Rates for Upland Cotton and
24	RICE.—The Secretary shall permit producers to repay a
25	marketing assistance loan under section 1201 for upland

1	cotton, long grain rice, medium grain rice, and short grain
2	rice at a rate that is the lesser of—
3	(1) the loan rate established for the commodity
4	under section 1202, plus interest (determined in ac-
5	cordance with section 163 of the Federal Agriculture
6	Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C.
7	7283)); or
8	(2) the prevailing world market price for the
9	commodity (adjusted to United States quality and
10	location), as determined by the Secretary.
11	(c) Repayment Rates for Extra Long Staple
12	COTTON.—Repayment of a marketing assistance loan for
13	extra long staple cotton shall be at the loan rate estab-
14	lished for the commodity under section 1202, plus interest
15	(determined in accordance with section 163 of the Federal
16	Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7
17	U.S.C. 7283)).
18	(d) Prevailing World Market Price.—For pur-
19	poses of this section and section 1207, the Secretary shall
20	prescribe by regulation—
21	(1) a formula to determine the prevailing world
22	market price for upland cotton, which shall be based
23	on the Far East price of upland cotton;
24	(2) a formula to determine the prevailing world
25	market price for—

1	(A) long grain rice; and
2	(B) medium and short grain rice;
3	(3) a mechanism by which the Secretary will
4	announce periodically the prevailing world market
5	price for upland cotton, long grain rice, and medium
6	and short grain rice; and
7	(4) a mechanism by which the Secretary will
8	make the adjustments, required by subsection (e), to
9	the prevailing world market price for upland cotton,
10	long grain rice, and medium and short grain rice.
11	(e) Adjustment of Prevailing World Market
12	PRICE FOR UPLAND COTTON AND RICE.—
13	(1) RICE.—The prevailing world market price
14	for rice determined in subsection (d) shall be ad-
15	justed to United States quality and location.
16	(2) Cotton.—The prevailing world market
17	price for upland cotton, determined in subsection (d)
18	shall be—
19	(A) adjusted to United States quality and
20	location, with such quality adjustment to in-
21	clude—
22	(i) any existing United States loan
23	schedule premiums for Comparable United
24	States Quality; and

1	(ii) a reduction equal to any United
2	States Premium Factor to upland cotton of
3	a quality higher than Middling (M) $1^{3/32}$ -
4	inch; and
5	(B) adjusted to take into account average
6	costs to market the commodity, including aver-
7	age transportation costs, as determined by the
8	Secretary.
9	(f) Additional Adjustment Authority Regard-
10	ING PREVAILING WORLD MARKET PRICE FOR UPLAND
11	COTTON.—
12	(1) In general.—During the period beginning
13	on the date of the enactment of this Act through
14	July 31, 2013, the Secretary may further adjust the
15	prevailing world market price for upland cotton (ad-
16	justed under subsection (d)) if the Secretary deter-
17	mines such adjustment necessary—
18	(A) to minimize potential loan forfeitures;
19	(B) to minimize the accumulation of stocks
20	of the commodity by the Federal Government;
21	(C) to allow the commodity produced in
22	the United States to be marketed freely and
23	competitively, both domestically and inter-
24	nationally;

1	(D) to ensure that United States cotton is
2	competitive in world markets; and
3	(E) to ensure an appropriate transition be-
4	tween current-crop and forward-crop price
5	quotations, except that the Secretary may use
6	forward-crop price quotations prior to July 31
7	of the current marketing year only if there are
8	less than three current-crop price quotations
9	and only if such forward-crop price quotation is
10	the lowest such quotation available.
11	(2) Guidelines for additional adjust-
12	MENT.—In further adjusting the prevailing world
13	market price for upland cotton under this sub-
14	section, the Secretary shall establish a mechanism
15	for determining and announcing such adjustments in
16	order to avoid undue disruption in the United States
17	market.
18	(g) Assignment Authority.—
19	(1) Assignment.—A producer who receives a
20	marketing assistance loan on cotton in accordance
21	with section 1201 may assign certain rights and ob-
22	ligations (including the right to redeem or forfeit
23	such cotton) to the marketer of the cotton in accord-
24	ance with this subsection.

1	(2) Terms and conditions of assign-
2	MENT.—An assignment under this subsection shall
3	contain the following terms and conditions:
4	(A) The assignee shall become responsible
5	for all aspects of the loan agreement entered
6	into by the producer.
7	(B) The producer shall have no further re-
8	sponsibilities or financial obligations with re-
9	spect to the loan.
10	(C) Such other terms and conditions as de-
11	termined by the Secretary.
12	(3) Sale of cotton under an assigned
13	LOAN.—In the event cotton subject to an assigned
14	marketing assistance loan is sold, either for export
15	or ultimate use, such cotton may be transferred to
16	the user or foreign recipient (prior to repaying such
17	marketing assistance loan) upon the following terms
18	and conditions:
19	(A) The assignee agrees to repay the mar-
20	keting assistance loan no later than the end of
21	the 10-month period beginning on the date of
22	issuance of such loan, at the repayment rate in
23	effect on the date the assignee repays the loan.

1	(B) The assignee agrees to continue to be
2	responsible for all other aspects of the original
3	loan agreement.
4	(C) The assignee provides the Secretary fi-
5	nancial security in an amount determined nec-
6	essary by the Secretary to protect the financial
7	interest of the Commodity Credit Corporation
8	in such cotton.
9	(D) Such other terms and conditions as
10	determined by the Secretary.
11	(4) Default repayment rate.—If the as-
12	signee fails to repay the marketing assistance loan
13	before the end of the period specified in paragraph
14	(3)(A), the repayment rate applicable to such loan
15	shall be the repayment rate in effect on the date on
16	which the period ends.
17	(5) Applicability to cooperative mar-
18	KETING ASSOCIATIONS.—A member of an approved
19	Cooperative Marketing Association may provide an
20	assignment under this subsection to the association
21	in the cooperative marketing agreement, without af-
22	fecting the eligibility of the association to receive a
23	marketing assistance loan under this subtitle on be-
24	half of the member. Notwithstanding any other pro-

vision of this subsection, such assignment shall not

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1	affect a cooperative's determination and allocation of
2	profits and losses or distributions to its members.
3	(h) Repayment Rates for Confectionery and
4	OTHER KINDS OF SUNFLOWER SEEDS.—The Secretary
5	shall permit the producers on a farm to repay a marketing
6	assistance loan under section 1201 for confectionery and
7	each other kind of sunflower seed (other than oil sunflower
8	seed) at a rate that is the lesser of—
9	(1) the loan rate established for the commodity
10	under section 1202, plus interest (determined in ac-
11	cordance with section 163 of the Federal Agriculture
12	Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C.
13	7283)); or
14	(2) the repayment rate established for oil sun-
15	flower seed.
16	(i) Quality Grades for Dry Peas, Lentils, and
17	SMALL CHICKPEAS.—The loan repayment rate for dry
18	peas, lentils, and small chickpeas shall be based on the
19	quality grades for the applicable commodity.
20	SEC. 1205. LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS.
21	(a) Availability of Loan Deficiency Pay-
22	MENTS.—
23	(1) In general.—Except as provided in sub-
24	section (d), the Secretary may make loan deficiency
25	payments available to producers on a farm that, al-

1	though eligible to obtain a marketing assistance loan
2	under section 1201 with respect to a loan com-
3	modity, agree to forgo obtaining the loan for the
4	commodity in return for loan deficiency payments
5	under this section.
6	(2) Unshorn pelts, hay, and silage.—
7	(A) Marketing assistance loans.—
8	Subject to subparagraph (B), nongraded wool
9	in the form of unshorn pelts and hay and silage
10	derived from a loan commodity are not eligible
11	for a marketing assistance loan under section
12	1201.
13	(B) Loan deficiency payment.—Effec-
14	tive for the 2008 through 2012 crop years, the
15	Secretary may make loan deficiency payments
16	available under this section to producers on a
17	farm that produce unshorn pelts or hay and si-
18	lage derived from a loan commodity.
19	(b) Computation.—A loan deficiency payment for a
20	loan commodity or commodity referred to in subsection
21	(a)(2) shall be computed by multiplying—
22	(1) the payment rate determined under sub-
23	section (c) for the commodity; by
24	(2) the quantity of the commodity produced by
25	the eligible producers, excluding any quantity for

1	which the producers obtain a marketing assistance
2	loan under section 1201.
3	(c) Payment Rate.—
4	(1) In general.—In the case of a loan com-
5	modity, the payment rate shall be the amount by
6	which—
7	(A) the loan rate established under section
8	1202 for the loan commodity; exceeds
9	(B) the rate at which a marketing assist-
10	ance loan for the loan commodity may be repaid
11	under section 1204.
12	(2) Unshorn pelts.—In the case of unshorn
13	pelts, the payment rate shall be the amount by
14	which—
15	(A) the loan rate established under section
16	1202 for ungraded wool; exceeds
17	(B) the rate at which a marketing assist-
18	ance loan for ungraded wool may be repaid
19	under section 1204.
20	(3) HAY AND SILAGE.—In the case of hay or si-
21	lage derived from a loan commodity, the payment
22	rate shall be the amount by which—
23	(A) the loan rate established under section
24	1202 for the loan commodity from which the
25	hay or silage is derived; exceeds

1	(B) the rate at which a marketing assist-
2	ance loan for the loan commodity may be repaid
3	under section 1204.
4	(d) Exception for Extra Long Staple Cot-
5	TON.—This section shall not apply with respect to extra
6	long staple cotton.
7	(e) Effective Date for Payment Rate Deter-
8	MINATION.—The Secretary shall determine the amount of
9	the loan deficiency payment to be made under this section
10	to the producers on a farm with respect to a quantity of
11	a loan commodity or commodity referred to in subsection
12	(a)(2) using the payment rate in effect under subsection
13	(c) as of the date the producers request the payment.
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14 15	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAY-
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14 15 16 17	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAY- MENTS FOR GRAZED ACREAGE. (a) ELIGIBLE PRODUCERS.—
14 15 16 17 18	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAY- MENTS FOR GRAZED ACREAGE. (a) ELIGIBLE PRODUCERS.— (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective for the 2008
14 15 16 17 18	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAY- MENTS FOR GRAZED ACREAGE. (a) ELIGIBLE PRODUCERS.— (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective for the 2008 through 2012 crop years, in the case of a producer
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS FOR GRAZED ACREAGE. (a) ELIGIBLE PRODUCERS.— (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective for the 2008 through 2012 crop years, in the case of a producer that would be eligible for a loan deficiency payment.
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS FOR GRAZED ACREAGE. (a) ELIGIBLE PRODUCERS.— (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective for the 2008 through 2012 crop years, in the case of a producer that would be eligible for a loan deficiency payment under section 1205 for wheat, barley, or oats, but
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	SEC. 1206. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS FOR GRAZED ACREAGE. (a) ELIGIBLE PRODUCERS.— (1) In General.—Effective for the 2008 through 2012 crop years, in the case of a producer that would be eligible for a loan deficiency payment under section 1205 for wheat, barley, or oats, but that elects to use acreage planted to the wheat, bar-

1	with the Secretary to forgo any other harvesting of
2	the wheat, barley, or oats on that acreage.
3	(2) Grazing of Triticale Acreage.—Effec-
4	tive for the 2008 through 2012 crop years, with re-
5	spect to a producer on a farm that uses acreage
6	planted to triticale for the grazing of livestock, the
7	Secretary shall make a payment to the producer
8	under this section if the producer enters into an
9	agreement with the Secretary to forgo any other
10	harvesting of triticale on that acreage.
11	(b) Payment Amount.—
12	(1) In general.—The amount of a payment
13	made under this section to a producer on a farm de-
14	scribed in subsection $(a)(1)$ shall be equal to the
15	amount determined by multiplying—
16	(A) the loan deficiency payment rate deter-
17	mined under section 1205(c) in effect, as of the
18	date of the agreement, for the county in which
19	the farm is located; by
20	(B) the payment quantity determined by
21	multiplying—
22	(i) the quantity of the grazed acreage
23	on the farm with respect to which the pro-
24	ducer elects to forgo harvesting of wheat,
25	barley, or oats; and

1	(ii) the payment yield in effect for the
2	calculation of direct payments under sub-
3	title A with respect to that loan commodity
4	on the farm or, in the case of a farm with-
5	out a payment yield for that loan com-
6	modity, an appropriate yield established by
7	the Secretary in a manner consistent with
8	section 1102 of the Farm Security and
9	Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C.
10	7912).
11	(2) Grazing of Triticale Acreage.—The
12	amount of a payment made under this section to a
13	producer on a farm described in subsection (a)(2)
14	shall be equal to the amount determined by multi-
15	plying—
16	(A) the loan deficiency payment rate deter-
17	mined under section 1205(c) in effect for
18	wheat, as of the date of the agreement, for the
19	county in which the farm is located; by
20	(B) the payment quantity determined by
21	multiplying—
22	(i) the quantity of the grazed acreage
23	on the farm with respect to which the pro-
24	ducer elects to forgo harvesting of triticale;
25	and

1	(ii) the payment yield in effect for the
2	calculation of direct payments under sub-
3	title A with respect to wheat on the farm
4	or, in the case of a farm without a pay-
5	ment yield for wheat, an appropriate yield
6	established by the Secretary in a manner
7	consistent with section 1102 of the Farm
8	Security and Rural Investment Act of
9	2002 (7 U.S.C. 7912).
10	(c) Time, Manner, and Availability of Pay-
11	MENT.—
12	(1) Time and manner.—A payment under this
13	section shall be made at the same time and in the
14	same manner as loan deficiency payments are made
15	under section 1205.
16	(2) Availability.—
17	(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall es-
18	tablish an availability period for the payments
19	authorized by this section.
20	(B) CERTAIN COMMODITIES.—In the case
21	of wheat, barley, and oats, the availability pe-
22	riod shall be consistent with the availability pe-
23	riod for the commodity established by the Sec-
24	retary for marketing assistance loans author-
25	ized by this subtitle.

1	(d) Prohibition on Crop Insurance Indemnity
2	OR NONINSURED CROP ASSISTANCE.—A 2008 through
3	2012 crop of wheat, barley, oats, or triticale planted on
4	acreage that a producer elects, in the agreement required
5	by subsection (a), to use for the grazing of livestock in
6	lieu of any other harvesting of the crop shall not be eligible
7	for an indemnity under the Federal Crop Insurance Act
8	(7 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) or noninsured crop assistance
9	under section 196 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement
10	and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7333).
11	SEC. 1207. SPECIAL MARKETING LOAN PROVISIONS FOR
12	UPLAND COTTON.
13	(a) Special Import Quota.—
13 14	(a) Special Import Quota.—(1) Definition of special import quota.—
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14	(1) Definition of special import quota.—
14 15	(1) DEFINITION OF SPECIAL IMPORT QUOTA.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota"
14 15 16 17	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to
14 15 16	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota.
14 15 16 17	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. (2) Establishment.—
14 15 16 17 18	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. (2) Establishment.— (A) In general.—The President shall
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. (2) Establishment.— (A) In general.—The President shall carry out an import quota program during the
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. (2) Establishment.— (A) In general.—The President shall carry out an import quota program during the period beginning on the date of the enactment
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(1) Definition of special import quota.— In this subsection, the term "special import quota" means a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. (2) Establishment.— (A) In general.—The President shall carry out an import quota program during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act through July 31, 2013, as provided

1	Secretary determines and announces that for
2	any consecutive 4-week period, the Friday
3	through Thursday average price quotation for
4	the lowest-priced United States growth, as
5	quoted for Middling (M) 13/32-inch cotton, deliv-
6	ered C/F Far East, exceeds the Far East price
7	there shall immediately be in effect a special
8	import quota.
9	(3) QUANTITY.—The quota shall be equal to 1
10	week's consumption of upland cotton by domestic
11	mills at the seasonally adjusted average rate of the
12	most recent 3 months for which data are available.
13	(4) Application.—The quota shall apply to
14	upland cotton purchased not later than 90 days
15	after the date of the Secretary's announcement
16	under paragraph (1) and entered into the United
17	States not later than 180 days after that date.
18	(5) Overlap.—A special quota period may be
19	established that overlaps any existing quota period if

established that overlaps any existing quota period if required by paragraph (2), except that a special quota period may not be established under this subsection if a quota period has been established under subsection (c).

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1	(6) Preferential tariff treatment.—The
2	quantity under a special import quota shall be con-
3	sidered to be an in-quota quantity for purposes of—
4	(A) section 213(d) of the Caribbean Basin
5	Economic Recovery Act (19 U.S.C. 2703(d));
6	(B) section 204 of the Andean Trade Pref-
7	erence Act (19 U.S.C. 3203);
8	(C) section 503(d) of the Trade Act of
9	1974 (19 U.S.C. 2463(d)); and
10	(D) General Note 3(a)(iv) to the Har-
11	monized Tariff Schedule.
12	(7) Limitation.—The quantity of cotton en-
13	tered into the United States during any marketing
14	year under the special import quota established
15	under this subsection may not exceed the equivalent
16	of 10 week's consumption of upland cotton by do-
17	mestic mills at the seasonally adjusted average rate
18	of the 3 months immediately preceding the first spe-
19	cial import quota established in any marketing year.
20	(b) Limited Global Import Quota for Upland
21	COTTON.—
22	(1) Definitions.—In this subsection:
23	(A) Supply.—The term "supply" means,
24	using the latest official data of the Bureau of

1	the Census, the Department of Agriculture, and
2	the Department of the Treasury—
3	(i) the carry-over of upland cotton at
4	the beginning of the marketing year (ad-
5	justed to 480-pound bales) in which the
6	quota is established;
7	(ii) production of the current crop;
8	and
9	(iii) imports to the latest date avail-
10	able during the marketing year.
11	(B) Demand.—The term "demand"
12	means—
13	(i) the average seasonally adjusted an-
14	nual rate of domestic mill consumption
15	during the most recent 3 months for which
16	data are available; and
17	(ii) the larger of—
18	(I) average exports of upland cot-
19	ton during the preceding 6 marketing
20	years; or
21	(II) cumulative exports of upland
22	cotton plus outstanding export sales
23	for the marketing year in which the
24	quota is established.

1	(C) Limited Global import quota.—
2	The term "limited global import quota" means
3	a quantity of imports that is not subject to the
4	over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota.
5	(2) Program.—The President shall carry out
6	an import quota program that provides that when-
7	ever the Secretary determines and announces that
8	the average price of the base quality of upland cot-
9	ton, as determined by the Secretary, in the des-
10	ignated spot markets for a month exceeded 130 per-
11	cent of the average price of the quality of cotton in
12	the markets for the preceding 36 months, notwith-
13	standing any other provision of law, there shall im-
14	mediately be in effect a limited global import quota
15	subject to the following conditions:
16	(A) QUANTITY.—The quantity of the quota
17	shall be equal to 21 days of domestic mill con-
18	sumption of upland cotton at the seasonally ad-
19	justed average rate of the most recent 3 months
20	for which data are available.
21	(B) Quantity if prior quota.—If a
22	quota has been established under this sub-
23	section during the preceding 12 months, the
24	quantity of the quota next established under
25	this subsection shall be the smaller of 21 days

1	of domestic mill consumption calculated under
2	subparagraph (A) or the quantity required to
3	increase the supply to 130 percent of the de-
4	mand.
5	(C) Preferential tariff treat-
6	MENT.—The quantity under a limited global
7	import quota shall be considered to be an in-
8	quota quantity for purposes of—
9	(i) section 213(d) of the Caribbean
10	Basin Economic Recovery Act (19 U.S.C.
11	2703(d));
12	(ii) section 204 of the Andean Trade
13	Preference Act (19 U.S.C. 3203);
14	(iii) section 503(d) of the Trade Act
15	of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2463(d)); and
16	(iv) General Note 3(a)(iv) to the Har-
17	monized Tariff Schedule.
18	(D) QUOTA ENTRY PERIOD.—When a
19	quota is established under this subsection, cot-
20	ton may be entered under the quota during the
21	90-day period beginning on the date the quota
22	is established by the Secretary.
23	(3) No overlap.—Notwithstanding paragraph
24	(2), a quota period may not be established that over-

1	laps an existing quota period or a special quota pe-
2	riod established under subsection (a).
3	(c) Economic Adjustment Assistance to Users
4	OF UPLAND COTTON.—
5	(1) Issuance of marketing certificates or
6	CASH PAYMENTS.—During the period beginning on
7	the date of the enactment of this Act through July
8	31, 2013, the Secretary shall issue, on a monthly
9	basis, marketing certificates or cash payments, at
10	the option of the recipient, to domestic users of up-
11	land cotton for all documented use of upland cotton
12	during the previous monthly period regardless of the
13	origin of the upland cotton.
14	(2) Value of certificates or payments.—
15	The value of the marketing certificates or cash pay-
16	ments shall be 4 cents per pound.
17	(3) Allowable purposes.—Economic adjust-
18	ment assistance under this subsection shall be made
19	available only to domestic users of upland cotton
20	that certify that such funds shall be used only for
21	acquisition, construction, installation, modernization,
22	development, conversion, or expansion of land, plant,
23	buildings, equipment, facilities, or machinery.
24	(4) REVIEW OR AUDIT.—The Secretary may
25	conduct such review or audit of the records of a do-

1	mestic user under this subsection as determined nec-
2	essary to carry out the provisions of this subsection.
3	(5) Improper use of assistance.—If the
4	Secretary determines, after a review or audit of the
5	records of the domestic user, that economic adjust-
6	ment assistance under this subsection was not used
7	for the purposes specified in paragraph (3), the do-
8	mestic user shall be liable to repay such assistance
9	to the Secretary, plus interest, as determined by the
10	Secretary, and shall be ineligible to participate in
11	the program established by this subsection for a pe-
12	riod of 12 months following the determination of the
13	Secretary.
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15 16 17 18 19 20 21	tong staple cotton. (a) Competitiveness Program.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act through July 31, 2013, the Secretary shall carry out a program— (1) to maintain and expand the domestic use of extra long staple cotton produced in the United

1	(3) to ensure that extra long staple cotton pro-
2	duced in the United States remains competitive in
3	world markets.
4	(b) PAYMENTS UNDER PROGRAM; TRIGGER.—Under
5	the program, the Secretary shall make payments available
6	under this section whenever—
7	(1) for a consecutive 4-week period, the world
8	market price for the lowest priced competing growth
9	of extra long staple cotton (adjusted to United
10	States quality and location and for other factors af-
11	feeting the competitiveness of such cotton), as deter-
12	mined by the Secretary, is below the prevailing
13	United States price for a competing growth of extra
14	long staple cotton; and
15	(2) the lowest priced competing growth of extra
16	long staple cotton (adjusted to United States quality
17	and location and for other factors affecting the com-
18	petitiveness of such cotton), as determined by the
19	Secretary, is less than 134 percent of the loan rate
20	for extra long staple cotton.
21	(e) Eligible Recipients.—The Secretary shall
22	make payments available under this section to domestic
23	users of extra long staple cotton produced in the United
24	States and exporters of extra long staple cotton produced
25	in the United States that enter into an agreement with

1	the Commodity Credit Corporation to participate in the
2	program under this section.
3	(d) Payment Amount.—Payments under this sec-
4	tion shall be based on the amount of the difference in the
5	prices referred to in subsection $(b)(1)$ during the fourth
6	week of the consecutive 4-week period multiplied by the
7	amount of documented purchases by domestic users and
8	sales for export by exporters made in the week following
9	such a consecutive 4-week period.
10	(e) Form of Payment.—Payments under this sec-
11	tion shall be made through the issuance of cash or mar-
12	keting certificates, at the option of eligible recipients of
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13	the payments.
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1	loans, as determined by the Secretary, to producers
2	on a farm that—
3	(A) normally harvest all or a portion of
4	their crop of corn or grain sorghum in a high
5	moisture state;
6	(B) present—
7	(i) certified scale tickets from an in-
8	spected, certified commercial scale, includ-
9	ing a licensed warehouse, feedlot, feed mill,
10	distillery, or other similar entity approved
11	by the Secretary, pursuant to regulations
12	issued by the Secretary; or
13	(ii) field or other physical measure-
14	ments of the standing or stored crop in re-
15	gions of the United States, as determined
16	by the Secretary, that do not have certified
17	commercial scales from which certified
18	scale tickets may be obtained within rea-
19	sonable proximity of harvest operation;
20	(C) certify that they were the owners of
21	the feed grain at the time of delivery to, and
22	that the quantity to be placed under loan under
23	this subsection was in fact harvested on the
24	farm and delivered to, a feedlot, feed mill, or
25	commercial or on-farm high-moisture storage

1	facility, or to a facility maintained by the users
2	of corn and grain sorghum in a high moisture
3	state; and
4	(D) comply with deadlines established by
5	the Secretary for harvesting the corn or grain
6	sorghum and submit applications for loans
7	under this subsection within deadlines estab-
8	lished by the Secretary.
9	(3) Eligibility of acquired feed grains.—
10	A loan under this subsection shall be made on a
11	quantity of corn or grain sorghum of the same crop
12	acquired by the producer equivalent to a quantity
13	determined by multiplying—
14	(A) the acreage of the corn or grain sor-
15	ghum in a high moisture state harvested on the
16	producer's farm; by
17	(B) the lower of the farm program pay-
18	ment yield used to make counter-cyclical pay-
19	ments under subtitle A or the actual yield on a
20	field, as determined by the Secretary, that is
21	similar to the field from which the corn or grain
22	sorghum was obtained.
23	(b) RECOURSE LOANS AVAILABLE FOR SEED COT-
24	TON.—For each of the 2008 through 2012 crops of upland
25	cotton and extra long staple cotton, the Secretary shall

- 1 make available recourse seed cotton loans, as determined
- 2 by the Secretary, on any production.
- 3 (c) Repayment Rates.—Repayment of a recourse
- 4 loan made under this section shall be at the loan rate es-
- 5 tablished for the commodity by the Secretary, plus interest
- 6 (determined in accordance with section 163 of the Federal
- 7 Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7
- 8 U.S.C. 7283)).
- 9 Subtitle C—Peanuts [Elsewhere]
- 10 Subtitle D—Sugar [Elsewhere]
- 11 Subtitle E—Dairy [Elsewhere]
- 12 Subtitle F—Administration
- 13 SEC. 1601. ADMINISTRATION GENERALLY.
- 14 (a) Use of Commodity Credit Corporation.—
- 15 The Secretary shall use the funds, facilities, and authori-
- 16 ties of the Commodity Credit Corporation to carry out this
- 17 title.
- 18 (b) Determinations by Secretary.—A deter-
- 19 mination made by the Secretary under this title shall be
- 20 final and conclusive.
- 21 (c) Regulations.—
- 22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after
- 23 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
- and the Commodity Credit Corporation, as appro-

1	priate, shall promulgate such regulations as are nec-
2	essary to implement this title.
3	(2) Procedure.—The promulgation of the reg-
4	ulations and administration of this title shall be
5	made without regard to—
6	(A) chapter 35 of title 44, United States
7	Code (commonly known as the "Paperwork Re-
8	duction Act");
9	(B) the Statement of Policy of the Sec-
10	retary of Agriculture effective July 24, 1971
11	(36 Fed. Reg. 13804), relating to notices of
12	proposed rulemaking and public participation in
13	rulemaking; and
14	(C) the notice and comment provisions of
15	section 553 of title 5, United States Code.
16	(3) Congressional review of agency rule-
17	MAKING.—In carrying out this subsection, the Sec-
18	retary shall use the authority provided under section
19	808 of title 5, United States Code.
20	(d) Adjustment Authority Related to Trade
21	AGREEMENTS COMPLIANCE.—
22	(1) Required determination; adjust-
23	MENT.—If the Secretary determines that expendi-
24	tures under subtitles A through E that are subject
25	to the total allowable domestic support levels under

1	the Uruguay Round Agreements (as defined in sec-
2	tion 2 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19
3	U.S.C. 3501)), as in effect on the date of enactment
4	of this Act, will exceed such allowable levels for any
5	applicable reporting period, the Secretary shall, to
6	the maximum extent practicable, make adjustments
7	in the amount of such expenditures during that pe-
8	riod to ensure that such expenditures do not exceed
9	such allowable levels.
10	(2) Congressional notification.—Before
11	making any adjustment under paragraph (1), the
12	Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agri-
13	culture of the House of Representatives or the Com-
14	mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of
15	the Senate a report describing the determination
16	made under that paragraph and the extent of the
17	adjustment to be made.
18	SEC. 1602. SUSPENSION OF PERMANENT PRICE SUPPORT
19	AUTHORITY.
20	(a) AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ACT OF 1938.—
21	The following provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment
22	Act of 1938 shall not be applicable to the 2008 through
23	2012 crops of covered commodities, peanuts, and sugar
24	and shall not be applicable to milk during the period be-

- 1 ginning on the date of enactment of this Act through De-
- 2 cember 31, 2012:
- 3 (1) Parts II through V of subtitle B of title III
- 4 (7 U.S.C. 1326 et seq.).
- 5 (2) In the case of upland cotton, section 377 (7
- 6 U.S.C. 1377).
- 7 (3) Subtitle D of title III (7 U.S.C. 1379a et
- $8 ext{seq.}$).
- 9 (4) Title IV (7 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.).
- 10 (b) AGRICULTURAL ACT OF 1949.—The following
- 11 provisions of the Agricultural Act of 1949 shall not be ap-
- 12 plicable to the 2008 through 2012 crops of covered com-
- 13 modities, peanuts, and sugar and shall not be applicable
- 14 to milk during the period beginning on the date of enact-
- 15 ment of this Act and through December 31, 2012:
- 16 (1) Section 101 (7 U.S.C. 1441).
- 17 (2) Section 103(a) (7 U.S.C. 1444(a)).
- 18 (3) Section 105 (7 U.S.C. 1444b).
- 19 (4) Section 107 (7 U.S.C. 1445a).
- 20 (5) Section 110 (7 U.S.C. 1445e).
- 21 (6) Section 112 (7 U.S.C. 1445g).
- 22 (7) Section 115 (7 U.S.C. 1445k).
- 23 (8) Section 201 (7 U.S.C. 1446).
- 24 (9) Title III (7 U.S.C. 1447 et seq.).

- 1 (10) Title IV (7 U.S.C. 1421 et seq.), other
- 2 than sections 404, 412, and 416 (7 U.S.C. 1424,
- 3 1429, and 1431).
- 4 (11) Title V (7 U.S.C. 1461 et seq.).
- 5 (12) Title VI (7 U.S.C. 1471 et seq.).
- 6 (c) Suspension of Certain Quota Provisions.—
- 7 The joint resolution entitled "A joint resolution relating
- 8 to corn and wheat marketing quotas under the Agricul-
- 9 tural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended", approved
- 10 May 26, 1941 (7 U.S.C. 1330 and 1340), shall not be
- 11 applicable to the crops of wheat planted for harvest in the
- 12 calendar years 2008 through 2012.
- 13 SEC. 1603. PAYMENT LIMITATIONS.
- 14 (a) Extension of Limitations.—Sections 1001
- 15 and 1001C(a) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C.
- 16 1308, 1308-3(a)) are amended by striking "Farm Secu-
- 17 rity and Rural Investment Act of 2002" each place it ap-
- 18 pears (other than in subsection (d)(1) of section 1001 of
- 19 such Act) and inserting "[2007 Farm Bill]".
- 20 (b) Limitation on Marketing Loan Gains and
- 21 Loan Deficiency Payments.—Section 1001(d)(1) of
- 22 the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308(d)(1)) is
- 23 amended by striking "any crop year" and inserting "any
- 24 of the 2002 through 2007 crop years".

1	(c) Attribution Requirements.—Section 1001 of
2	the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308) is amend-
3	ed—
4	(1) in subsection (a)—
5	(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and
6	(3) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively; and
7	(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
8	following new paragraphs:
9	"(2) Entity.—
10	"(A) In General.—The term 'entity'
11	means—
12	"(i) an organization that (subject to
13	the requirements of this section and sec-
14	tion 1001A) is eligible to receive a pay-
15	ment under a provision of law referred to
16	in subsection (b) or (c);
17	"(ii) a corporation, joint stock com-
18	pany, association, limited partnership, lim-
19	ited liability company, limited liability
20	partnership, charitable organization, grant-
21	or of a revocable trust, or other similar en-
22	tity (as determined by the Secretary); and
23	"(iii) an organization that is partici-
24	pating in a farming operation as a partner

1	in a general partnership or as a participant
2	in a joint venture.
3	"(B) Exclusion.—The term 'entity' does
4	not include a general partnership or joint ven-
5	ture.
6	"(3) Individual.—The term 'individual'
7	means—
8	"(A) a natural person, and any minor child
9	of the natural person (as determined by the
10	Secretary), who, subject to the requirements of
11	this section and section 1001A, is eligible to re-
12	ceive a payment under a provision of law re-
13	ferred to in subsection (b), (c), or (d); and
14	"(B) a natural person participating in a
15	farming operation as a partner in a general
16	partnership, a participant in a joint venture, a
17	grantor of a revocable trust, or a participant in
18	a similar entity (as determined by the Sec-
19	retary).''; and
20	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
21	section:
22	"(h) Attribution of Payments to Individuals
23	AND ENTITIES.—
24	"(1) Interests within same entity.—Any
25	individual or entity that is an owner of an entity, in-

1	cluding a shareholder, may not collectively receive
2	payments, directly or indirectly, that are attributable
3	to the ownership interest in the entity for a crop
4	year that exceed an amount equal to the applicable
5	dollar amounts specified in subsections (b)(1) and
6	(e)(1).
7	"(2) All interests.—An individual or entity
8	may not receive, directly or indirectly, through all
9	ownership interests of the individual or entity, from
10	all sources, payments for a crop year that exceed an
11	amount equal to the applicable dollar amounts speci-
12	fied in subsections (b)(1) and (c)(1).".
13	(d) Transition.—Section 1001 of the Food Security
14	Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308), as in effect on the day before
15	the date of the enactment of this Act, shall continue to
16	apply with respect to the 2007 crop of any covered com-
17	modity.
18	SEC. 1604. ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LIMITATION.
19	(a) Extension.—Section 1001D of the Food Secu-
20	rity Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308–3a) is amended—
21	(1) in subsection (b)(2), by striking "Farm Se-
22	curity and Rural Investment Act of 2002" each
23	place it appears and inserting "[2007 Farm Bill]"

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and

1	(2) in subsection (e), by striking "2007" and
2	inserting "2012".
3	(b) Denial of Program Benefits for Viola-
4	TIONS.—Subsection (c) of section 1001D of the Food Se-
5	curity Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308–3a) is amended to read
6	as follows:
7	"(c) Certification of Compliance; Effect of
8	VIOLATION.—
9	"(1) CERTIFICATION.—To comply with the limi-
10	tation under subsection (b), an individual or entity
11	shall provide to the Secretary—
12	"(A) a certification by a certified public ac-
13	countant or another third party that is accept-
14	able to the Secretary that the average adjusted
15	gross income of the individual or entity does not
16	exceed the limitation specified in that sub-
17	section; or
18	"(B) information and documentation re-
19	garding the adjusted gross income of the indi-
20	vidual or entity through other procedures estab-
21	lished by the Secretary.
22	"(2) Two-year denial of payments for
23	VIOLATION.—An individual or entity shall be ineli-
24	gible to receive payments covered under subsection
25	(b)(2) for a crop year, and the succeeding crop year.

1	in which the Secretary determines that the indi-
2	vidual or entity engaged in an activity in which the
3	primary purpose of the activity was to avoid the ap-
4	plication of the limitation under subsection (b) to
5	the individual or entity or any other individual or
6	entity.
7	"(3) Extended ineligibility for certain
8	VIOLATIONS.—The Secretary may deny payments
9	covered under subsection (b)(2) for a period of up
10	to five crop years to an individual or entity if the
11	Secretary determines that the individual or entity,
12	for the benefit of the individual or entity or any
13	other individual or entity, knowingly engaged in or
14	aided in—
15	"(A) the creation of fraudulent documents
16	to avoid the application of the limitation under
17	subsection (b);
18	"(B) the failure to disclose material infor-
19	mation relevant to the administration of this
20	section; or
21	"(C) the commission of other similar ac-
22	tions, as identified in regulations issued by the
23	Secretary.".

1	SEC. 1605. ADJUSTMENTS OF LOANS.
2	Section 162 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement
3	and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7282) is amended—
4	(1) in subsection (a), by inserting "(except for
5	cotton)" after "commodity";
6	(2) in subsection (b), by striking "Farm Secu-
7	rity and Rural Investment Act of 2002" and insert-
8	ing "[2007 Farm Bill]"; and
9	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
10	section:
11	"(d) Adjustment in Loan Rate for Cotton.—
12	"(1) Adjustment authority.—The Secretary
13	may make appropriate adjustments in the loan rate
14	for cotton for differences in quality factors.
15	"(2) Revisions to quality adjustments
16	FOR UPLAND COTTON.—
17	"(A) REVISION.—Within 180 days after
18	the date of the enactment of the [2007 Farm
19	Bill], the Secretary, after consultation with the
20	private sector as provided in paragraph (3),
21	shall implement revisions in the administration
22	of the marketing assistance loan program for
23	upland cotton to more accurately and efficiently
24	reflect market values for upland cotton.

1	"(B) Mandatory revisions.—The revi-
2	sions required under subparagraph (A) shall in-
3	clude the following:
4	"(i) The elimination or adjustment of
5	warehouse location differentials to reflect
6	market conditions.
7	"(ii) The establishment of differentials
8	for the various quality factors and staple
9	lengths of cotton based on a three-year,
10	weighted moving average of the weighted
11	designated spot market regions as deter-
12	mined by regional production.
13	"(iii) The elimination of any artificial
14	split in the premium or discount between
15	upland cotton with a 32 or 33 staple
16	length due to micronaire;
17	"(iv) A mechanism to ensure that no
18	premium or discount is established that ex-
19	ceeds the premium or discount associated
20	with a leaf grade that is one better than
21	the applicable color grade.
22	"(C) DISCRETIONARY REVISIONS.—The re-
23	visions under subparagraph (A) may include, at
24	a minimum, the following:

1	"(i) The use of non-spot market price
2	data, in addition to spot market price data,
3	that would enhance the accuracy of the
4	price information used in determining
5	quality adjustments under this subsection.
6	"(ii) Adjustments in the premiums or
7	discounts associated with upland cotton
8	with a staple length of 33 or above due to
9	micronaire with the goal of eliminating any
10	unnecessary artificial splits in the calcula-
11	tions of such premiums or discounts.
12	"(iii) Such other adjustments deter-
13	mined appropriate by the Secretary, after
14	consultations conducted in accordance with
15	paragraph (3).
16	"(3) Consultation with private sector.—
17	"(A) Prior to revision.—Prior to imple-
18	menting any revisions to the administration of
19	the marketing assistance loan program for up-
20	land cotton, the Secretary should endeavor to
21	consult with an existing private sector com-
22	mittee whose membership includes representa-
23	tives of the production, ginning, warehousing,
24	cooperative, and merchandising segments of the
25	United States cotton industry and that has de-

1	veloped recommendations concerning such revi-
2	sions.
3	"(B) Upon review.—The Secretary shall
4	also consult with the committee referred to in
5	subparagraph (A) when conducting a review of
6	adjustments in the operation of the loan pro-
7	gram as provided in paragraph (4).
8	"(C) Inapplicability of federal advi-
9	SORY COMMITTEE ACT.—The Federal Advisory
10	Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply
11	to consultations under this paragraph with the
12	committee referred to in subparagraph (A).
13	"(4) Review of adjustments.—The Sec-
14	retary may review the operation of the upland cotton
15	quality adjustments implemented pursuant to this
16	subsection and may make further revisions to the
17	administration of the loan program, by either revok-
18	ing or revising the actions taken pursuant to para-
19	graph (2)(B) or by revoking or revising any actions
20	taken or authorized to be taken under paragraph
21	(2)(B).
22	"(5) Adjustments in effect prior to revi-
23	SION.—The quality differences (premiums and dis-
24	counts for quality factors) applicable to the upland
25	cotton loan program (prior to any revisions in ac-

1	cordance with this subsection) shall be established
2	by the Secretary by giving equal weight—
3	"(A) to loan differences for the preceding
4	crop; and
5	"(B) to market differences for such crop in
6	the designated United States spot markets.".
7	SEC. 1606. PERSONAL LIABILITY OF PRODUCERS FOR DEFI-
8	CIENCIES.
9	Section 164 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement
10	and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7284) is amended by
11	striking "Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of
12	2002" each place it appears and inserting "[2007 Farm
13	Bill]".
14	SEC. 1607. EXTENSION OF EXISTING ADMINISTRATIVE AU-
15	THORITY REGARDING LOANS.
16	Section 166 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement
17	and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7286) is amended in
18	subsections (a) and (e)(1) by striking "subtitle B and C
19	of title I of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act
20	of 2002" each place it appears and inserting "subtitle B
21	of title I of the [2007 Farm Bill]".
22	SEC. 1608. ASSIGNMENT OF PAYMENTS.
23	(a) In General.—The provisions of section 8(g) of
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- 1 U.S.C. 590h(g)), relating to assignment of payments, shall
- 2 apply to payments made under the authority of this title.
- 3 (b) Notice.—The producer making the assignment,
- 4 or the assignee, shall provide the Secretary with notice,
- 5 in such manner as the Secretary may require, of any as-
- 6 signment made under this section.

7 SEC. 1609. TRACKING OF BENEFITS.

- 8 As soon as practicable after the date of enactment
- 9 of this Act, the Secretary shall establish procedures to
- 10 track the benefits provided, directly or indirectly, to indi-
- 11 viduals and entities under titles I and II and the amend-
- 12 ments made by those titles.

13 SEC. 1610. UPLAND COTTON STORAGE PAYMENTS.

- Beginning with the 2012 crop of upland cotton, the
- 15 Secretary may not use the funds of the Commodity Credit
- 16 Corporation to pay storage, handling, and other costs as-
- 17 sociated with the storage of upland cotton for which a
- 18 marketing assistance loan is made under section 1201.

19 SEC. 1611. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATION OF COTTON PRICE

- FORECASTS.
- 21 Section 15 of the Agricultural Marketing Act (12
- 22 U.S.C. 1141j) is amended by striking subsection (d).
- 23 SEC. 1612. TREATMENT OF FARMS WITH TOTAL BASE
- 24 ACRES OF 10 ACRES OR LESS.
- [To be added]