

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title IV, § 401(a), 58 Stat. 738.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in the following Department of Agriculture appropriation acts:

June 28, 1944, ch. 296, 58 Stat. 454.
 July 12, 1943, ch. 215, 57 Stat. 421.
 July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 688.
 July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 431.
 June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 555.
 June 30, 1939, ch. 253, title I, 53 Stat. 968.

§ 416. Letting contract for packeting, etc., of seeds, etc., for distribution

The Secretary of Agriculture, after due advertisement and on competitive bids, is authorized to award the contract for the supplying of printed packets and envelopes and the packeting, assembling, and mailing of the seeds, bulbs, shrubs, vines, cuttings, and plants, or any part thereof, for a period of not more than five years nor less than one year, if by such action he can best protect the interests of the United States.

(May 11, 1922, ch. 185, 42 Stat. 517.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Agriculture Department Appropriation Act, 1923.

§ 417. Distribution of farmers' bulletins

In the distribution of farmers' bulletins, which shall be adapted to the interests of the people of the different sections of the country, an equal proportion of four-fifths shall be delivered to or sent out under the addressed franks furnished by Senators, Representatives, and Delegates in Congress, as such Senators, Representatives, or Delegates shall direct: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Agriculture shall notify Senators, Representatives, and Delegates in Congress of the title and character of each such bulletin, with the total number to which each Senator, Representative, and Delegate may be entitled for such distribution; and on the face of the envelope inclosing said bulletins shall be printed the title of each bulletin contained therein.

(June 30, 1906, ch. 3913, 34 Stat. 690.)

CODIFICATION

Section is derived from an Appropriation Act for the Department of Agriculture, 1907. The last proviso of section relating to farmers' bulletins not called for in quotas of Senators and Representatives was omitted from the Code as obsolete in view of Attorney General's opinion, 27 Op. Atty. Gen. 288.

§ 418. Annual report on work of agricultural experiment stations and of college extension work; publication and distribution

There shall be prepared by the Department of Agriculture an annual report on the work and expenditures of the agricultural experiment stations established under the Act of Congress of March second, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven [7 U.S.C. 361a et seq.], on the work and expenditures of the Department of Agriculture in connection therewith, and on the cooperative agricultural extension work and expenditures of the Department of Agriculture and of agricul-

tural colleges under the Act of May eighth, nineteen hundred and fourteen [7 U.S.C. 341 et seq.], and there shall be printed annually eight thousand copies of said report, of which one thousand copies shall be for the use of the Senate, two thousand copies for the use of the House of Representatives, and five thousand copies for the use of the Department of Agriculture.

(Mar. 4, 1915, ch. 144, 38 Stat. 1110.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Act of Congress of March second, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, referred to in text, is act Mar. 2, 1887, ch. 314, 24 Stat. 440, as amended, known as the Hatch Act, which is classified generally to sections 361a to 361i of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 361a of this title and Tables.

The Act of May eighth, nineteen hundred and fourteen, referred to in text, is act May 8, 1914, ch. 79, 38 Stat. 372, as amended, known as the "Smith-Lever Act", and also known as the "Agricultural Work Extension Act", which is classified generally to subchapter IV (§341 et seq.) of chapter 13 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 341 of this title and Tables.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of all officers, agencies, and employees of Department of Agriculture transferred, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of Agriculture by 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 2, §1, eff. June 4, 1953, 18 F.R. 3219, 67 Stat. 633, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

§ 419. Repealed. Oct. 31, 1951, ch. 654, § 1(12), 65 Stat. 701

Section, act May 5, 1945, ch. 109, 59 Stat. 143, related to sale by Secretary of Agriculture of products of agricultural experiment station in Puerto Rico, and disposition of moneys derived therefrom. See section 484 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works. Similar provisions had been carried in prior Department of Agriculture appropriation acts back to and including that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919 (40 Stat. 1000). Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

June 28, 1944, ch. 296, 58 Stat. 432.
 July 12, 1943, ch. 215, 57 Stat. 400.
 July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 670.
 July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 413.
 June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 536.
 June 30, 1939, ch. 253, title I, 53 Stat. 944.
 June 16, 1938, ch. 464, title I, 52 Stat. 715.
 June 29, 1937, ch. 404, 50 Stat. 399.
 June 4, 1936, ch. 489, 49 Stat. 1425.
 May 17, 1935, ch. 131, title I, 49 Stat. 251.
 Mar. 26, 1934, ch. 89, 48 Stat. 471.
 Mar. 3, 1933, ch. 203, 47 Stat. 1436.
 July 7, 1932, ch. 443, 47 Stat. 614.
 May 17, 1932, ch. 190, 47 Stat. 158.
 Feb. 23, 1931, ch. 278, 46 Stat. 1246.
 May 27, 1930, ch. 341, 46 Stat. 396.
 Feb. 16, 1929, ch. 227, 45 Stat. 1192.
 May 16, 1928, ch. 572, 45 Stat. 542.
 Jan. 18, 1927, ch. 39, 44 Stat. 979.
 May 11, 1926, ch. 286, 44 Stat. 502.
 Feb. 10, 1925, ch. 200, 43 Stat. 824.

§ 420. Power to administer oaths, examine witnesses, or require production of books, etc.

In the performance of the duties required of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics in the administration or enforcement of provisions of Acts (United States Cotton Futures Act, Thirty-