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To require the consolidation of agricultural research and extension activities
of the Department of Agriculture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 1993

Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. DOOLITTLE,
and Mr. ZIMMER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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extension activities of the Department of Agriculture.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CONSOLIDATION OF FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL**
4 **RESEARCH AND EXTENSION AGENCIES.**

5 (a) CONSOLIDATION REQUIRED.—Not later than
6 September 30, 1993, the Secretary of Agriculture shall
7 consolidate the functions and activities of the following
8 agencies of the Department of Agriculture:

9 (1) The Agricultural Research Service.

10 (2) The Cooperative State Research Service.

1 (3) The Federal Extension Service.

2 (b) SINGLE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION SERVICE.—

3 As part of the consolidation of the agencies specified in
4 subsection (a), the Secretary of Agriculture shall establish
5 in the Department of Agriculture a unified Agriculture
6 Research and Extension Service to administer all pro-
7 grams of the Department of Agriculture related to agricul-
8 tural research and extension in order to ensure more effec-
9 tive, efficient, and economical administration of those pro-
10 grams and activities and to eliminate duplication.

11 (c) EFFECT OF CONSOLIDATION.—Upon consolida-
12 tion of an agency referred to in subsection (a), all pro-
13 grams and activities previously administered by that agen-
14 cy shall be administered by the Agriculture Research and
15 Extension Service established under subsection (b). The
16 assets, contracts, property, records, and employees of that
17 agency, and the unexpended balances of any appropria-
18 tions available to that agency, relating to those programs
19 and activities shall be transferred to the Agriculture Re-
20 search and Extension Service. Any reference to that agen-
21 cy in any law, regulation, or order shall be considered to
22 be a reference to the Agriculture Research and Extension
23 Service.

24 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
25 are authorized to be appropriated to the Agriculture Re-

1 search and Extension Service established under subsection
2 (b) \$800,000,000 for fiscal year 1994. Notwithstanding
3 any authorization of appropriations or permanent appro-
4 priations for an agency specified in subsection (a), the
5 total amount available to the Agriculture Research and
6 Extension Service for a fiscal year may not exceed the
7 amount appropriated pursuant to this subsection.

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