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To make emergency supplemental appropriations to provide a short-term stimulus to promote job creation in rural areas of the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BOREN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. KOHL, Mr. SIMON, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HEFLIN, and Mr. BREAUX) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations

A BILL

To make emergency supplemental appropriations to provide a short-term stimulus to promote job creation in rural areas of the United States, and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Rural Jobs and Investment Act of 1993”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. General appropriation authority.

TITLE I—AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES

Subtitle A—Farmers Home Administration

- Sec. 101. Rural housing insurance fund program account.
- Sec. 102. Rental assistance program.
- Sec. 103. Rural development insurance fund program account.
- Sec. 104. Rural development loans program account.
- Sec. 105. Rural water and waste disposal grants.
- Sec. 106. Very low-income housing repair grants.
- Sec. 107. Supervisory and technical assistance grants.
- Sec. 108. Rural housing preservation grants.
- Sec. 109. Rural development grants.
- Sec. 110. Local technical assistance grants.

Subtitle B—Rural Electrification Administration

- Sec. 121. Rural electrification loans program account.

Subtitle C—Office of the Assistant Secretary for Science and Education

- Sec. 131. Alternative agricultural research and commercialization.

TITLE II—INTERIOR

- Sec. 201. Energy conservation.

TITLE III—VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- Sec. 301. Community development and planning.
- Sec. 302. EPA construction grants and state revolving loan fund.

TITLE IV—COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE

- Sec. 401. Microloan Demonstration Program.

1 SEC. 2. GENERAL APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the
 3 sums described in this Act are appropriated, out of any
 4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pro-
 5 vide emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal
 6 year ending September 30, 1993.

7 (b) OFFSETTING REDUCTIONS.—Funds under this
 8 Act are available only to the extent that there is an offset-

1 ting recision in the budget authority available for carrying
2 out budget function 050 (National Defense) or budget
3 function 150 (International Affairs), or both.

4 **TITLE I—AGRICULTURE, RURAL**
5 **DEVELOPMENT AND RELAT-**
6 **ED AGENCIES**

7 **Subtitle A—Farmers Home**
8 **Administration**

9 **SEC. 101. RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM**
10 **ACCOUNT.**

11 (a) GROSS OBLIGATIONS.—For additional gross obli-
12 gations for direct loans as authorized under title V of the
13 Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1471 et seq.), to be avail-
14 able from funds in the Rural Housing Insurance Fund,
15 as follows:

16 (1) \$500,000,000 for loans to borrowers made
17 under section 502 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1472), as
18 determined by the Secretary.

19 (2) \$50,000,000 for housing repair loans made
20 under section 504 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1474).

21 (3) \$250,000,000 for rental housing loans made
22 under section 515 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1485).

23 (b) COST OF LOANS.—For an additional amount for
24 the cost, as defined in section 502(5) of the Congressional

1 Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a(5)), including the cost
2 of modifying loans, of direct loans, as follows:

3 (1) \$121,750,000 for low-income housing loans
4 under section 502 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42
5 U.S.C. 1472).

6 (2) \$20,090,000 for housing repair loans under
7 section 504 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1474).

8 (3) \$132,500,000 for rental housing purposes
9 under section 515 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1485).

10 **SEC. 102. RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

11 For additional rental assistance agreements entered
12 into under or renewed under section 521(a)(2) of the
13 Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490a(a)(2)),
14 \$70,000,000.

15 **SEC. 103. RURAL DEVELOPMENT INSURANCE FUND PRO-**
16 **GRAM ACCOUNT.**

17 (a) GROSS OBLIGATIONS.—For additional gross obli-
18 gations for the principal amount of direct loans as author-
19 ized by sections 308, 309A, 310A, and 310B of the Con-
20 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
21 1928, 1929A, 1931, and 1932), to be available from funds
22 in the Rural Development Insurance Fund, as follows:

23 (1) Water and sewer facility loans,
24 \$600,000,000.

25 (2) Community facility loans, \$250,000,000.

1 (b) COST OF LOANS.—For an additional amount for
2 the cost, as defined in section 502(5) of the Congressional
3 Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a(5)), including the cost
4 of modifying loans, of direct loans, as follows:

5 (1) \$87,360,000 for water and sewer facility
6 loans.

7 (2) \$21,025,000 for community facility loans.

8 **SEC. 104. RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM AC-**
9 **COUNT.**

10 (a) COST OF LOANS.—For an additional amount for
11 the cost, as defined in section 502(5) of the Congressional
12 Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a(5)), including the cost
13 of modifying loans, of direct loans from the Rural Develop-
14 ment Loan Fund established under section 623(a) of the
15 Community Economic Development Act of 1981 (42
16 U.S.C. 9812(a)), \$50,000,000.

17 (b) PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF LOANS.—The funds
18 made available under subsection (a) shall be available to
19 subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
20 rect loans of not to exceed \$100,000,000.

21 **SEC. 105. RURAL WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL GRANTS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—For additional grants pursuant to
23 paragraphs (2) and (6) of section 306(a) of the Consoli-
24 dated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.

1 1926(a)), \$500,000,000, to remain available until ex-
2 pended, pursuant to section 306(d) of such Act.

3 (b) PURPOSES.—The funds made available under
4 subsection (a) shall not be used for any purpose not speci-
5 fied in section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
6 Development Act.

7 **SEC. 106. VERY LOW-INCOME HOUSING REPAIR GRANTS.**

8 For additional grants to the very low-income elderly
9 for essential repairs to dwellings pursuant to section 504
10 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1474),
11 \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended.

12 **SEC. 107. SUPERVISORY AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**
13 **GRANTS.**

14 For additional grants pursuant to section 525 of the
15 Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1479 and 1490e),
16 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

17 **SEC. 108. RURAL HOUSING PRESERVATION GRANTS.**

18 For additional grants for rural housing preservation
19 as authorized by section 533 of the Housing and Urban-
20 Rural Recovery Act of 1983 (42 U.S.C. 1490m),
21 \$50,000,000.

22 **SEC. 109. RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—For additional grants authorized
24 under section 310B(c) of the Consolidated Farm and
25 Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932(c)) to any quali-

1 fied public or private nonprofit organization,
2 \$100,000,000.

3 (b) LIMITATIONS.—Effective for fiscal year 1991 and
4 thereafter, grants made pursuant to subsection (a) shall
5 not be subject to any dollar limitation unless the limitation
6 is set forth in law.

7 **SEC. 110. LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS.**

8 For additional local technical assistance grants au-
9 thorized under section 306(a)(11) of the Consolidated
10 Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
11 1926(a)(11)), \$15,000,000.

12 **Subtitle B—Rural Electrification**
13 **Administration**

14 **SEC. 121. RURAL ELECTRIFICATION LOANS PROGRAM AC-**
15 **COUNT.**

16 (a) INSURED LOANS.—For additional insured loans
17 pursuant to section 305 of the Rural Electrification Act
18 of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935) for rural electrification loans,
19 \$700,000,000, to remain available until expended.

20 (b) COST OF LOANS.—For the additional cost, as de-
21 fined in section 502(5) of the Congressional Budget Act
22 of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a(5)), including the cost of modify-
23 ing loans, of direct rural electrification loans authorized
24 by section 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936

1 (7 U.S.C. 935), for the additional cost of direct rural elec-
2 trification loans, \$131,000,000.

3 **Subtitle C—Alternative Agricultural**
4 **Research and Commer-**
5 **cialization**

6 **SEC. 131. ALTERNATIVE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND**
7 **COMMERCIALIZATION.**

8 For an additional amount for necessary expenses to
9 carry out the Alternative Agricultural Research and Com-
10 mercialization Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5901 et seq.),
11 \$20,000,000.

12 **TITLE II—INTERIOR**

13 **SEC. 201. ENERGY CONSERVATION.**

14 For additional amounts to enable the Secretary of
15 Energy to make grants under title III of the Energy Con-
16 servation and Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6831 et seq.)—

17 (1) \$150,000,000 to be used for the weatheriza-
18 tion assistance program for low income persons; and

19 (2) \$150,000,000 to be used for the Institu-
20 tional Conservation Program and the State Energy
21 Conservation Program.

1 **TITLE III—VETERANS AFFAIRS**
2 **AND HOUSING AND URBAN**
3 **DEVELOPMENT**

4 **SEC. 301. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—For an additional amount to carry
6 out a community development grants program under title
7 I of the Housing and Community Development Act of
8 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$1,000,000,000, to be obli-
9 gated for making grants to States and units of local gov-
10 ernment under such Act.

11 (b) LIMITATION.—For purposes of applying the limi-
12 tation contained in section 105(a)(8) of the Housing and
13 Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.
14 5305(a)(8)) to amounts made available under this section,
15 the maximum percentage of funds received by a unit of
16 general local government under this section that may be
17 used for the provision of public services shall be 20 percent

18 **SEC. 302. EPA CONSTRUCTION GRANTS AND STATE RE-**
19 **VOLVING LOAN FUND.**

20 For an additional amount to carry out the Federal
21 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.) and
22 the Water Quality Act of 1987 (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.),
23 \$1,000,000,000, of which—

1 (1) \$500,000,000 shall be made available for
2 grants under title II of the Federal Water Pollution
3 Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1281 et seq.); and

4 (2) \$500,000,000 shall be made available for
5 State water pollution control revolving funds estab-
6 lished under title VI of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1381
7 et seq.).

8 **TITLE IV—COMMERCE, JUSTICE,**
9 **AND STATE**

10 **SEC. 401. MICROLOAN DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.**

11 (a) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS.—For an addi-
12 tional amount for necessary expenses, not otherwise pro-
13 vided for, of the Small Business Administration for mak-
14 ing technical assistance grants under the Microloan Dem-
15 onstration Program established by section 7(m) of the
16 Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(m)), \$3,000,000.

17 (b) BUSINESS LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT.—For the
18 cost, as defined in section 502(5) of the Congressional
19 Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a(5)), including the cost
20 of modifying loans, of direct loans for carrying out not
21 more than 50 microloan programs under the Microloan
22 Demonstration Program, \$2,600,000, to be made avail-
23 able until expended for the subsidy cost of \$15,000,000
24 in direct loans for the Microloan Demonstration Program.

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