

SUBCHAPTER IV—AGRICULTURAL  
EXTENSION WORK APPROPRIATION

**§ 341. Cooperative extension work by colleges**

In order to aid in diffusing among the people of the United States useful and practical information on subjects relating to agriculture, uses of solar energy with respect to agriculture, home economics, and rural energy, and to encourage the application of the same, there may be continued or inaugurated in connection with the college or colleges in each State, Territory, or possession, now receiving, or which may hereafter receive, the benefits of subchapters I and II of this chapter, agricultural extension work which shall be carried on in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture: *Provided*, That in any State, Territory, or possession in which two or more such colleges have been or hereafter may be established, the appropriations hereinafter made to such State, Territory, or possession shall be administered by such college or colleges as the legislature of such State, Territory, or possession may direct. For the purposes of this subchapter, the term "solar energy" means energy derived from sources (other than fossil fuels) and technologies included in the Federal Non-Nuclear<sup>1</sup> Energy Research and Development Act of 1974, as amended [42 U.S.C. 5901 et seq.].

(May 8, 1914, ch. 79, § 1, 38 Stat. 372; June 26, 1953, ch. 157, § 1, 67 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1447(1), (2), Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1011; Pub. L. 96-294, title II, § 256(1), June 30, 1980, 94 Stat. 708.)

**Editorial Notes**

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974, as amended, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 93-577, Dec. 31, 1974, 88 Stat. 1878, which is classified generally to chapter 74 (§ 5901 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5901 of Title 42 and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Another section 1447 of Pub. L. 95-113 is classified to section 3222b of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-294 inserted reference to rural energy.

1977—Pub. L. 95-113 inserted reference to the uses of solar energy with respect to agriculture and inserted definition of "solar energy".

1953—Act June 26, 1953, inserted "continued or" before "inaugurated" near beginning of section, inserted references to "territory, or possession" after "State," wherever the latter term appeared, and struck out a second proviso which continued farm management work and farmers' cooperative demonstration work as conducted May 8, 1914, pending inauguration and development of cooperative extension work under sections 341-343 and 344-348 of this title.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-113 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 1901 of Pub. L. 95-113, set out as a note under section 1307 of this title.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be "Nonnuclear".

SHORT TITLE

Act May 8, 1914, ch. 79, § 11, as added by Pub. L. 105-185, § 3(a), June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 525, provided that: "This Act [enacting this subchapter] may be cited as the 'Smith-Lever Act'."

Act May 8, 1914, as amended, is also popularly known as the "Agricultural Extension Work Act".

**Executive Documents**

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.

**§ 342. Cooperative agricultural extension work; cooperation with Secretary of Agriculture**

Cooperative agricultural extension work shall consist of the development of practical applications of research knowledge and giving of instruction and practical demonstrations of existing or improved practices or technologies in agriculture, uses of solar energy with respect to agriculture, home economics, and rural energy and subjects relating thereto to persons not attending or resident in said colleges in the several communities, and imparting information on said subjects through demonstrations, publications, and otherwise and for the necessary printing and distribution of information in connection with the foregoing; and this work shall be carried on in such manner as may be mutually agreed upon by the Secretary of Agriculture and the State agricultural college or colleges or Territory or possession receiving the benefits of this subchapter.

(May 8, 1914, ch. 79, § 2, 38 Stat. 373; June 26, 1953, ch. 157, § 1, 67 Stat. 84; Pub. L. 87-749, § 1(a), Oct. 5, 1962, 76 Stat. 745; Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1447(3), Sept. 29, 1977, 91 Stat. 1011; Pub. L. 96-294, title II, § 256(2), June 30, 1980, 94 Stat. 708; Pub. L. 99-198, title XIV, § 1435(a), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1557.)

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CODIFICATION

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AMENDMENTS

1985—Pub. L. 99-198 substituted "shall consist of the development of practical applications of research knowledge and giving of instruction and practical demonstrations of existing or improved practices or technologies" for "shall consist of the giving of instructions and practical demonstrations".

1980—Pub. L. 96-294 inserted reference to rural energy.

1977—Pub. L. 95-113 inserted reference to uses of solar energy with respect to agriculture.

1962—Pub. L. 87-749 inserted "or Territory or possession" after "college or colleges".

1953—Act June 26, 1953, inserted "and subjects relating thereto" after "agriculture and home economics" near beginning of section, and inserted reference to necessary printing and distribution of information.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1985 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-198 effective Oct. 1, 1985, see section 1435(d) of Pub. L. 99-198, set out as a note under section 343 of this title.