

(1) Not to exceed with respect to livestock and livestock products, \$595,000,000, (2) not to exceed with respect to wheat and wheat products, \$190,000,000; and (3) not to exceed with respect to butterfat and butter, \$100,000,000: *Provided*, That the amounts authorized to be expended pursuant to section 1 of the Act of June 23, 1945 (Public Law 88, Seventy-ninth Congress), for subsidy payments on meat, butter, and flour shall be reduced correspondingly.

*Ante*, p. 260.

Approved July 31, 1945.

[CHAPTER 333]

AN ACT

To amend section 8 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes', approved July 11, 1916, as amended and supplemented, and for other purposes", approved July 13, 1943.

July 31, 1945  
[H. R. 169]  
[Public Law 165]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in the case of each and every State which, prior to January 1, 1947, shall have constructed or acquired any toll bridges, including interstate toll bridges, serving the approved system of Federal-aid highways, and which has caused or, prior to January 1, 1947, shall cause any such toll bridge or toll bridges to be made free, the Federal Works Administrator shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay out of the regular and secondary Federal-aid road funds apportioned to such State not to exceed 50 per centum of such amount as may be approved by the Federal Works Administrator as the current reasonable value of the physical property, exclusive of rights-of-way, of any such bridge, or not to exceed 50 per centum of the bonds or other obligations created and issued for the construction of such bridge which shall remain unpaid and outstanding, or such percentage of the amount by which such outstanding bonds or other obligations shall exceed any funds accumulated or provided for their amortization, on the date such bridge is made free, whichever shall be least: *Provided*, That no payment of Federal funds shall be made on account of any such bridge which was not constructed in accordance with plans and specifications which would meet the standards required under the Federal Highway Act at the time such bridge was constructed: *Provided further*, That no such payment shall be made which will exceed 50 per centum of the current reasonable value of the physical properties of any such bridge, nor shall such payment in the case of any bridge which was constructed or acquired with the aid of Federal funds or with the aid of a grant from the Federal Government exceed 50 per centum of the current reasonable value of the physical properties of such bridge which remains after deducting therefrom the share of cost or of grant already paid by the Federal Government, or shall not exceed 50 per centum of the bonds or other obligations created and issued for the construction of such bridge which shall remain unpaid and outstanding, or such percentage of the amount by which such outstanding bonds or other obligations shall exceed any funds accumulated or provided for their amortization, on the date such bridge is made free, whichever shall be least, and any amount so paid on account of any such bridge from regular Federal-aid road funds shall be used for matching unobligated regular Federal-aid road funds available to the State for expenditure in the improvement of highways on the system of Federal-aid highways, and any amount so paid on account of any such bridge from secondary Federal-aid road funds shall be used for matching unobligated secondary Federal-aid road funds available to the State for expenditure in the improvement of secondary or feeder roads.

Toll bridges.

Payments to States  
from designated funds.

Prohibited pay-  
ments.

Limitation on pay-  
ments.

Use of payments  
from regular Federal-  
aid road funds.

From secondary  
Federal-aid road  
funds.

Approved July 31, 1945.

## [CHAPTER 334]

## AN ACT

July 31, 1945  
[H. R. 2032]  
[Public Law 166]

Authorizing general shore-line investigations at Federal expense, and to repeal an Act for the improvement and protection of the beaches along the shores of the United States, approved June 26, 1936.

Shore-line investigations.

46 Stat. 945.  
33 U. S. C. § 426.

Publication of useful data.

Cost.

"Shores."

Application of existing law.

Exception.

Report by Board.

46 Stat. 945.  
33 U. S. C. § 426.

Additional requirement.

Expenses.

49 Stat. 1982.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 427-430.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in addition to participating in cooperative investigations and studies with agencies of the various States as authorized in section 2 of the River and Harbor Act, approved July 3, 1930, it shall be the duty of the Chief of Engineers, through the Beach Erosion Board, to make general investigations with a view to preventing erosion of the shores of the United States by waves and currents and determining the most suitable methods for the protection, restoration, and development of beaches; and to publish from time to time such useful data and information concerning the erosion and protection of beaches and shore lines as the Board may deem to be of value to the people of the United States. The cost of the general investigations herein authorized shall be borne wholly by the United States. As used in this Act, the word "shores" includes the shore lines of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, the Gulf of Mexico, the Great Lakes, Lake Champlain, and estuaries and bays directly connected therewith.

SEC. 2. All provisions of existing law relating to examinations and surveys and to works of improvement of rivers and harbors shall apply, insofar as practicable, to examinations and surveys and to works of improvement relating to shore protection; except that all projects having to do with shore protection shall be referred for consideration and recommendation to the Beach Erosion Board instead of to the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors.

SEC. 3. The Beach Erosion Board, in making its report on any cooperative investigation and studies under the provisions of section 2 of the River and Harbor Act, approved July 3, 1930, relating to shore protection work shall, in addition to any other matters upon which it may be required to report, state its opinion as to (a) the advisability of adopting the project; (b) what public interest, if any, is involved in the proposed improvement; and (c) what share of the expense, if any, should be borne by the United States.

SEC. 4. Any expenses incident and necessary in the undertaking of the general investigations authorized herein may be paid from funds hitherto or hereafter appropriated for examinations, surveys, and contingencies for rivers and harbors.

SEC. 5. The Act of June 26, 1936 (Public, Numbered 834, Seventy-fourth Congress), is hereby repealed.

Approved July 31, 1945.

## [CHAPTER 335]

## AN ACT

July 31, 1945  
[H. R. 2285]  
[Public Law 167]

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to grant and convey to Springfield Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, certain lands of the United States in Springfield Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, for highway purposes and for ornamental-park purposes.

Springfield Township,  
Montgomery County, Pa.  
Conveyance of lands.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized and directed to grant and convey to Springfield Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, upon the conditions and limitations hereinafter expressed, three parcels of land, hereinafter described, which are parts of the property encompassed by Eastern Regional Laboratory, Bureau of Agricultural Chemistry and Engineering, United States Department of Agriculture,