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ardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821-833); printing and binding; law books, books of reference, and not to exceed \$250 for periodicals and newspapers; contract stenographic reporting services; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; purchase (at not to exceed \$750 each), exchange, maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, to be used only for official purposes; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; payment of actual transportation expenses and not to exceed \$10 per diem in lieu of subsistence and other expenses of persons serving, while away from their homes, without other compensation from the United States, in an advisory capacity to the Corporation; employment on a contract or fee basis of persons, firms, and corporations for the performance of special services, including legal services; use of the services and facilities of Federal land banks, national farm loan associations, Federal Reserve banks, and agencies of the Government as authorized by said Act of January 31, 1934; and all other necessary administrative expenses: *Provided*, That all necessary expenses (including services performed on a force account, contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property of the Corporation shall be considered as non-administrative expenses for the purposes hereof: *Provided further*, That except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified, and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Corporation shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Act of January 31, 1934, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1016-1020 (h)).

Special services.

*Proviso.*  
Nonadministrative expenses.

Payment of administrative expenses, etc.

Administrative promotions.

Short title.

SEC. 2. The total amount used on an annual basis for administrative within-grade promotions for officers and employees under any appropriation or other fund made available in this Act shall not exceed the amount determined by the Bureau of the Budget to be available for such purpose on the basis of the Budget estimate for such appropriation or fund exclusive of new money in any such Budget estimate for such administrative promotions.

This Act may be cited as the "Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1941".

Approved, June 25, 1940.

## [CHAPTER 422]

## AN ACT

June 25, 1940

[S. 3018]

[Public, No. 659]

To amend section 210 of the Communications Act of 1934, approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1073; 47 U. S. C. 210), so as to permit communication utilities to contribute free services to the national defense.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 210 of the Communications Act of 1934, approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1073; 47 U. S. C. 210), is hereby amended by inserting after the words "Sec. 210" the letter "(a)" and by adding at the end of the section the following subsection:

"(b) Nothing in this Act or in any other provision of law shall be construed to prohibit common carriers from rendering to any agency of the Government free service in connection with the preparation for the national defense: *Provided*, That such free service may be rendered only in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Commission may prescribe therefor."

Approved, June 25, 1940.

Communications Act of 1934, amendment.

Common carriers. Free service to Government agencies for national defense.

*Proviso.* Rules and regulations.