

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 657

AN ACT

To authorize funding for the National 4–H Program
Centennial Initiative.

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

1 **SECTION 1. NATIONAL 4-H PROGRAM CENTENNIAL INITIA-**
2 **TIVE.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

4 (1) the 4-H Program is 1 of the largest youth
5 development organizations operating in each of the
6 50 States and over 3,000 counties;

7 (2) the 4-H Program is promoted by the Sec-
8 retary of Agriculture through the Cooperative State
9 Research, Education, and Extension Service and
10 land-grant colleges and universities;

11 (3) the 4-H Program is supported by public
12 and private resources, including the National 4-H
13 Council; and

14 (4) in celebration of the centennial of the 4-H
15 Program in 2002, the National 4-H Council has
16 proposed a public-private partnership to develop new
17 strategies for youth development for the next cen-
18 tury in light of an increasingly global and tech-
19 nology-oriented economy and ever-changing demands
20 and challenges facing youth in widely diverse com-
21 munities.

22 (b) GRANT.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture
24 may provide a grant to the National 4-H Council to
25 pay the Federal share of the cost of—

1 (A) conducting a program of discussions
2 through meetings, seminars, and listening ses-
3 sions on the National, State, and local levels re-
4 garding strategies for youth development; and

5 (B) preparing a report that—

6 (i) summarizes and analyzes the dis-
7 cussions;

8 (ii) makes specific recommendations
9 of strategies for youth development; and

10 (iii) proposes a plan of action for car-
11 rying out those strategies.

12 (2) COST SHARING.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of
14 the cost of the program under paragraph (1)
15 shall be 50 percent.

16 (B) FORM OF NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The
17 non-Federal share of the cost of the program
18 under paragraph (1) may be paid in the form
19 of cash or the provision of services, material, or
20 other in-kind contributions.

21 (3) AMOUNT.—The grant made under this sub-
22 section shall not exceed \$5,000,000.

23 (c) REPORT.—The National 4–H Council shall sub-
24 mit any report prepared under subsection (b) to the Presi-
25 dent, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Committee on Agri-

1 culture of the House of Representatives, and the Com-
2 mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Sen-
3 ate.

4 (d) FUNDING.—The Secretary may fund the grant
5 authorized by this section from—

6 (1) funds made available under subsection (e);
7 and

8 (2) notwithstanding subsections (c) and (d) of
9 section 793 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement
10 and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 2204f), funds
11 from the Account established under section 793(a)
12 of that Act.

13 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
14 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
15 \$5,000,000.

Passed the Senate June 19, 2001.

Attest:

Secretary.

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