Public Law 85-368

AN ACT

Relating to contracts for the conduct of contract postal stations, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 15 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, authorizing the postal savings system, and for other purposes", approved May 18, 1916 (39 Stat. 163; 39 U.S.C. 161), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 16. The Postmaster General may enter into contracts for the conduct of contract stations for a term not exceeding three years. Any such contract may be renewed by the Postmaster General, at the same or a lower contract price, for additional terms not exceeding three years each unless (1) the Postmaster General finds that such renewal is not in the interest of the United States, or (2) not later than ninety days before the end of any contract term the Post Office Department receives a request in writing that the contract be opened for competitive bidding at the end of such term. Upon any such finding by the Postmaster General, or upon receipt of any such request, the Postmaster General shall terminate the contract, with respect to which such finding has been made or such request has been received, at the end of the current term and shall advertise for bids thereon in accordance with existing laws relating to the advertising of public contracts and the award thereof on the basis of competitive bidding."

Approved April 7, 1958.

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AN ACT

To amend section 114 of the Soil Bank Act with respect to compliance with corn acreage allotments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 114 of the Soil Bank Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this section—(1) no person shall be ineligible to receive payments or compensation under an acreage reserve contract for 1958 by reason of the fact that the corn acreage on the farm exceeds the farm acreage allotment for corn if the county in which such farm is located is included in the commercial corn producing area for the first time in 1958; (2) no person shall be ineligible to receive payments or compensation under an acreage reserve contract for any year subsequent to 1958 or a conservation reserve contract by reason of the fact that the corn acreage on the farm exceeds the farm acreage allotment for corn if such contract was entered into prior to January 1 of the first year for which the county is included in the commercial corn producing area: Provided, That the foregoing provisions of this sentence shall apply only to a farm for which an 'old farm' corn allotment is established for such first year. For purposes of this provision, a contract which has been terminated by the producer under the program regulations by reason of the fact that the county in which the farm is located was included in the commercial corn-producing area for the first time in 1958, and which is reinstated, shall be deemed to have been entered into as of the original date of execution of such contract."

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