

## Hatch, McIntire-Stennis, and Animal Health & Disease Formula Fund Programs

### *Paragraph for member request letters going to the House and Senate Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittees:*

The President's F.Y. 2006 Budget Request includes a proposal to cut the Hatch (agriculture) and McIntire-Stennis (forestry) research programs by 50 percent in F.Y. 2006 and "zero out" these programs in F.Y. 2007. The Animal Health and Disease research program would be eliminated in F.Y. 2006. The President's Budget Request attempts to "soften the blow" by adding money to the USDA's National Research Initiative and creating a new "State Agricultural Experiment Stations Competitive Grants Program" within the CSREES budget. But these do not replace the existing programs that ensure a reliable level of base funding for each and every land-grant university.

I oppose the proposal to eliminate funding for the Hatch, McIntire-Stennis, and Animal Health and Disease Programs and support funding for these three programs at not less than their F.Y. 2005 enacted levels.

*Note: Form for House members on reverse of this sheet.*

**Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies  
FY 2006 Funding Request Form**

For each and every project that is requested within your Member's letter, please enter the corresponding information on the form below. Each request requires a completed form. Requests will not be considered unless they are documented in either an official member letter or testimony and electronically transmitted via the form below. All member requests are due no later than \_\_\_\_ 2005. Please follow the numerical steps and enter applicable information relating to your project request. An "\*" indicates a required field. Please contact the Appropriations Committee staff at x5-2718 with questions, problems, or concerns about this form.

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Related members or co-signers:

**Step 2: Project Information**

\*Agency:  ▼

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\*Project Name:

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