

Hatch Act

Appropriations Bill	Agriculture				
Agency	National Institute of Food and Agriculture				
Account	Research and Education Activities				
Program Name	Hatch Act				
Requested Amount	\$240,000,000				
Authorization	7 U.S.C. 361a (Hatch Act of 1887, as amended).				
Description	This program provides funding to support the State Agricultural Experiment Stations enabling them to address critical national, multistate, state, and local problems. Funds are distributed to eligible institutions under a statutory formula.				
Benefits/Impacts	<p>Hatch Act funds benefit America by providing research capacity at 1862 land-grant universities and related institutions in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Develop new biofuels/bioproducts, enhance energy efficiency, reduce dependence on foreign oil. ■ Improve knowledge concerning the complex linkages between food, nutrition, and human health. ■ Protect America's food supply and ensure our biosecurity. ■ Combat the twin epidemics of obesity and diabetes. ■ Preserve the nation's natural resources. ■ Build strategies for producers, consumers, and communities to address climate change. ■ Maintain competitiveness of U.S. food, fiber, and fuel producers in global marketplace. 				
Funding History					
FY 2011 President's Budget	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2008	FY 2007	FY 2006
\$215,000,000	\$215,000,000	\$207,106,000	\$195,812,000	\$322,597,000	\$176,969,000
Misc. Information					
Matching Funds	States are required to provide a dollar-for-dollar match. However, Hatch funds are leveraged more than seven-fold nationwide.				
Final Recipients	State Agricultural Experiment Stations established pursuant to the Hatch Act of 1887 at the 1862 land-grant universities or such other substantially equivalent institutions as any state shall determine.				
Note for Senate Offices	Funding is not being requested for this program through another appropriations bill.				
Additional Information	www.land-grant.org/kb.html				

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