Republic Act (RA) No. 680
An act creating a Bureau of Agricultural Extension defining its powers, duties, and functions and providing appropriations therefore
April 24, 1952

The policy created the Bureau of Agricultural Extension (BAEx) to harmonize all extension activities of the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources as a result of the Bell Survey Mission. The Bureau of Agriculture Extension's purpose is to disseminate and impart practical as well as scientific information and knowledge on agriculture, animal husbandry, fishery, soil conservation, forestry and mines, public lands and natural resources laws, home economics and rural life. This is to encourage application through field demonstrations, lectures and conferences, publications and other means of imparting information.

Salient Extension Provisions

Sec. 2. "Agricultural extension" as used in this Act shall consist of the diffusion among the people of useful and practical information on agriculture, soil conservation, livestock, fisheries, forest conservation, public lands and natural resources laws, home economics and rural life, in order to encourage their application through field demonstrations, lectures and conferences, publications and other means of imparting information.

Sec. 3. The Bureau of Agricultural Extension shall have a head who shall be known as the Director of Agricultural Extension and an assistant who shall be known as Assistant Director of Agricultural Extension, both to be appointed, on recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission on Appointments of the Congress of the Philippines and shall receive a compensation at the rate of Seven thousand two hundred pesos per annum and Six thousand pesos per annum, respectively; and shall have in the said Bureau such technical personnel and other employees to be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources as may be required to carry out the purpose of this Act.