

En Bloc Amendment to HR 2

Offered by Chairman Conaway

Amendments included in the en bloc are:

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Amendment 22

**Best Nutrient Recovery Systems Amendment
to H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018**

This amendment would modify the Conservation Innovation Grants trials provision to include nutrient recovery systems in the definition of 'new and innovative conservation approaches.' These systems can be used to separate nutrient particles like nitrogen and phosphorus from other substances.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. BOST OF ILLINOIS

Page 144, line 22, insert “, nutrient recovery systems,” after “plans”.



Brief explanatory statement for Marshall amendment regarding fencing provisions of the Emergency Conservation Program.

In the aftermath of large fires across Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Colorado in the spring of 2017, a number of deficiencies were identified in the USDA's disaster response programs. In particular, delays in the processing of Emergency Conservation Program payments have been pronounced. 13 months after the fire, the Farm Service Agency has closed out less than 50% of applications filed in Clark County KS. These delays result from several areas, with only some within USDA's control, including FSA inspection and processing times, challenges getting fence rebuilt in a timely manner, and ranchers waiting to turning in receipts and other documentation. This amendment is the result of discussions with impacted producers, county and state USDA staff and producer organizations.

This change would offer producers in the future the opportunity to receive 75% of the USDA established "total allowable cost" upon demonstrating that a fence had been destroyed in a qualifying event. This change will allow producers to receive much-needed resources sooner, and will also simplify the administration of the program for FSA employees.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. MARSHALL OF KANSAS

Page 151, after line 6, insert the following:

1 SEC. 2406. EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM.

2 (a) REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF FENCING.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2201) is
4 amended—
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6 (A) by striking the section designation and
7 all that follows through “The Secretary of Agriculture” and inserting the following:
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9 “SEC. 401. PAYMENTS TO PRODUCERS.

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture
11 (referred to in this title as the ‘Secretary’);

12 (B) in subsection (a), as so designated, by
13 inserting “wildfires,” after “hurricanes;” and

14 (C) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(b) REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF FENCING.—With
16 respect to a payment to an agricultural producer under
17 subsection (a) for the repair or replacement of fencing,
18 the Secretary shall give the agricultural producer the op-
19 tion of receiving the payment, determined based on the
20 applicable percentage of the fair market value of the cost

1 of the repair or replacement, as determined by the Sec-
2 retary, before the agricultural producer carries out the re-
3 pair or replacement.”.

4 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

5 (A) Sections 402, 403, 404, and 405 of the
6 Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C.
7 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205) are amended by strik-
8 ing “Secretary of Agriculture” each place it ap-
9 pears and inserting “Secretary”.

10 (B) Section 407(a) of the Agricultural
11 Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2206(a)) is
12 amended by striking paragraph (4).

13 (b) COST SHARE PAYMENTS.—Title IV of the Agri-
14 cultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.) is
15 amended by inserting after section 402 the following:

16 **“SEC. 402A. COST SHARE REQUIREMENT.**

17 “(a) COST-SHARE RATE.—The maximum cost-share
18 payment under section 401 and section 402 shall not ex-
19 ceed 75 percent of the total allowable cost, as determined
20 by the Secretary.

21 “(b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a),
22 a qualified limited resource, socially disadvantaged, or be-
23 ginning farmer or rancher payment under section 401 and
24 402 shall not exceed 90 percent of the total allowable cost,
25 as determined by the Secretary.

1 “(c) LIMITATION.—In no case shall the total payment
2 under section 401 and 402 for a single event exceed 50
3 percent of what the Secretary has determined to be the
4 agriculture value of the land.”.



Sponsor: Rep. Neal P. Dunn, M.D. (FL-02)

An amendment updating USDA's authority to promote trade- and innovation-friendly policies (i.e. removing nontariff barriers to U.S. exports) globally for new agricultural production technologies. The amendment will support global acceptance of U.S. crops and predictable, science-based regulations.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. DUNN OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle C of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 32** ____ . **GROWING AMERICAN FOOD EXPORTS ACT OF**
2 **2018.**

3 Section 1543A of the Food, Agriculture, Conserva-
4 tion, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5679) is amended
5 to read as follows:

6 **“SEC. 1543A. BIOTECHNOLOGY AND AGRICULTURAL TRADE**
7 **PROGRAM.**

8 “(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established in the
9 Department of Agriculture a program to be known as the
10 ‘Biotechnology and Agricultural Trade Program’.

11 “(b) **PURPOSE.**—The purpose of the program estab-
12 lished under this section shall be to remove, resolve, or
13 mitigate significant regulatory nontariff barriers to the ex-
14 port of United States agricultural commodities into for-
15 eign markets through policy advocacy and targeted
16 projects that address—

17 “(1) issues relating to United States agricul-
18 tural commodities produced with the use of bio-

1 technology or new agricultural production tech-
2 nologies;

3 “(2) advocacy for science-based regulation in
4 foreign markets of biotechnology or new agricultural
5 production technologies; or

6 “(3) quick-response intervention regarding non-
7 tariff barriers to United States exports produced
8 through biotechnology or new agricultural produc-
9 tion technologies.

10 “(c) ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS.—Depending on need, as
11 determined by the Secretary, activities authorized under
12 this section may be carried out through—

13 “(1) this section;

14 “(2) the emerging markets program under sec-
15 tion 1542; or

16 “(3) the Cochran Fellowship Program under
17 section 1543.”.



**Hartzler Broadband Speed and RUS Report Amendment
to H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018**

This amendment would modify the minimum acceptable standard of service for broadband programs by setting a baseline speed of 25 Megabits per second (Mbps) download and 3 Mbps upload. It would also require the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) to issue a report on ways to incentivize utilization of and streamline the RUS loan and loan guarantee programs for the purpose of expanding broadband to rural areas.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2

OFFERED BY MRS. HARTZLER OF MISSOURI

Page 341, line 12, insert “(a) IN GENERAL.—” before “Section”.

Page 342, line 4, insert “that requires the speed to be at least 25 megabits per second downstream transmission capacity and 3 megabits per second upstream transmission capacity” before the semicolon.

Page 344, after line 24, insert the following:

- 1 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Within 12 months after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator
3 of the Rural Utilities Service (in this subsection referred
4 to as the “RUS”) shall submit to the Committee on Agri-
5 culture of the House of Representatives and the Com-
6 mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Sen-
7 ate a written report on the effectiveness of RUS loan and
8 loan guarantee programs for the purpose of expanding
9 broadband to rural areas (as defined in RUS regulations),
10 which shall—
- 11 (1) identify administrative and legislative op-
12 tions for incentivizing private investment by utilizing

1 RUS loan guarantee programs for the purpose of ex-
2 panding broadband to rural areas;

3 (2) evaluate the existing borrower and lending
4 guidelines for RUS loan and loan guarantee appli-
5 cants to incentivize participation in both programs;

6 (3) evaluate the loan and loan guarantee appli-
7 cation processes for lenders and borrowers by elimi-
8 nating burdensome and unnecessary steps in the ap-
9 plication process and providing a more streamlined
10 process to decrease the complexity of the application
11 and the timeline from application to approval or de-
12 nial;

13 (4) identify opportunities to provide technical
14 assistance and pre-development planning activities to
15 assist rural counties and communities to assess cur-
16 rent and future broadband needs; and

17 (5) identify and evaluate emerging technologies,
18 including next-generation satellite technologies, and
19 ways to leverage the technologies to provide high-
20 speed, low-latency internet connectivity to rural
21 areas.



**Rouzer Rural Energy for America Program Categorical Exclusion Amendment to H.R. 2,
the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018**

This amendment would provide for a categorical exclusion for small electrical generating facilities (10 MW average rating or less) in the Rural Energy for America Program including solar, wind, and biomass. Right now, this CE exists in regulation but has an exception for solar electric projects of 10 acres or greater.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. ROUZER OF NORTH CAROLINA
[2018 Farm Bill]

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____: CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FOR GRANTS AND FI-**
2 **NANCIAL ASSISTANCE MADE UNDER THE**
3 **RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM.**

4 Section 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
5 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107) is amended by adding
6 at the end the following:

7 “(h) CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION.—The provision of a
8 grant or financial assistance under this section to any elec-
9 tric generating facility, including one fueled with wind,
10 solar, or biomass, that has a rating of 10 average
11 megawatts or less is a category of actions hereby des-
12 ignated as being categorically excluded from any require-
13 ment to prepare an environmental assessment or an envi-
14 ronmental impact statement under section 102 of the Na-
15 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
16 4332).”.



Comer Populations Incarcerated on a Long-Term Basis Amendment
to H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018

This amendment would modify Section 6218 of the underlying bill to also include those incarcerated on a long-term basis or in regional jail facilities in the population of individuals excluded from the population calculation for the purposes of defining a rural area. This helps more accurately reflect the population of a community as county jail facilities are more regularly housing individuals for longer sentences and rural counties have collaborated to build regional detention facilities, which house inmates that would not otherwise be part of the community.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. COMER OF KENTUCKY
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 370, line 24, strike "PRISON POPULATIONS"
and insert "POPULATIONS INCARCERATED ON A LONG-
TERM BASIS".

Page 370, line 25, strike "Incarcerated prison popu-
lations" and insert "Populations of individuals incarcer-
ated on a long-term or regional basis".



Austin Scott Middle Mile Amendment to H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018

This amendment would authorize the Rural Utilities Service to make loans or loan guarantees to middle mile infrastructure projects under the Rural Broadband Access Loan and Loan Guarantee Program.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA

Page 359, after line 24, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 6114. MIDDLE MILE BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE.**

2 Section 601 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936
3 (7 U.S.C. 950bb) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “or middle
5 mile infrastructure” before “in rural areas”;

6 (2) in subsection (b), by redesignating para-
7 graphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4) and
8 inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

9 “(2) MIDDLE MILE INFRASTRUCTURE.—The
10 term ‘middle mile infrastructure’ means any
11 broadband infrastructure that does not connect di-
12 rectly to end user locations (including anchor insti-
13 tutions) and may include interoffice transport,
14 backhaul, Internet connectivity, data centers, or spe-
15 cial access transport to rural areas.”;

16 (3) in subsection (c)—

17 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “and to
18 construct, improve, or acquire middle mile in-
19 frastructure” before “in rural areas”;

1 (B) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting “, or
2 in the case of middle mile infrastructure, offer
3 the future ability to link,” before “the greatest
4 proportion”; and

5 (C) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(3) LIMITATION ON MIDDLE MILE INFRA-
7 STRUCTURE PROJECTS.—The Secretary shall limit
8 loans or loan guarantees for middle mile infrastruc-
9 ture projects to no more than 20 percent of the
10 amounts made available to carry out this section.”;

11 (4) in subsection (d)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)—

13 (i) in clause (i) (as amended by sec-
14 tion 6101(1) of this Act), by inserting “or
15 extend middle mile infrastructure” before
16 “in all”; and

17 (ii) in clause (iii), by inserting “or
18 middle mile infrastructure” before “de-
19 scribed”;

20 (B) in paragraph (2)—

21 (i) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
22 “or install middle mile infrastructure” be-
23 fore “in the proposed”;

24 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
25 clause (ii) and inserting the following:

1 “(ii) EXCEPTION.—Clause (i) shall
2 not apply with respect to a project if the
3 project is eligible for funding under an-
4 other title of this Act.”; and

5 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(D) EXCEPTION FOR MIDDLE MILE IN-
8 FRASTRUCTURE.—Portions of a middle mile in-
9 frastructure project that ultimately meet the
10 rural service requirements of this section may
11 traverse an area not described in subsection
12 (b)(4) when necessary.”;

13 (C) in paragraph (4), by inserting “, or
14 construct, improve, or acquire middle mile in-
15 frastructure in,” before “a rural area”;

16 (D) in paragraph (5)(A)(v), by inserting
17 “or, in the case of middle mile infrastructure,
18 connect” before the semicolon; and

19 (E) in paragraph (8)(A)(ii)—

20 (i) in subclause (I), by inserting “or
21 may” before “receive”;

22 (ii) in subclause (II), by inserting “or
23 capability of middle mile infrastructure”
24 before the semicolon; and

1 (iii) in subclause (III), by inserting “,
2 if applicable” before the semicolon;
3 (5) in subsection (i)—
4 (A) in the subsection heading, by inserting
5 “OR MIDDLE MILE INFRASTRUCTURE” after
6 “SERVICE”; and
7 (B) by inserting “or middle mile infra-
8 structure” before “in rural areas”; and
9 (6) in subsection (j)(6), by inserting “or middle
10 mile infrastructure” after “service” the 1st and 3rd
11 places it appears.

Page 360, line 1, strike “6114” and insert “6115”.



Austin Scott RUS Grants Amendment to H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018

This amendment would authorize the USDA Secretary to deem projects that have received RUS grants as unserved if they do not meet the minimum broadband speed of 10 megabits per second download and 1 megabit per second upload, unless they have begun or already constructed broadband facilities in that area which would meet the minimum standard.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA

Page 359, after line 24, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 6114. OUTDATED BROADBAND SYSTEMS.**

2 Title VI of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7
3 U.S.C. 950bb et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
4 the following:

5 **“SEC. 605. OUTDATED BROADBAND SYSTEMS.**

6 “Beginning October 1, 2020, the Secretary shall con-
7 sider any portion of a service territory subject to an out-
8 standing grant agreement between the Secretary and a
9 broadband provider in which broadband service is not pro-
10 vided at at least 10 megabits per second download and
11 at least 1 megabit per second upload as unserved for the
12 purposes of all broadband loan programs under this Act,
13 unless the broadband provider has constructed or begun
14 to construct broadband facilities in the service territory
15 that meet the minimum acceptable standard of service es-
16 tablished under section 601(e)(1) for the area in which
17 the service territory is located.”.

Page 360, line 1, strike “6114” and insert “6115”.

Page 387, strike lines 2 through 6 and insert the following:

1 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Sections 604
2 and 605 of such Act, as added by sections 6102 and
3 6114 of this Act, are redesignated as sections 602
4 and 604, respectively, and section 602 (as so reded-
5 ignated) is transferred to just after section 601 of
6 the Rural Electrification Act of 1936.



Sponsor: Rep. Neal P. Dunn, M.D. (FL-02)

An amendment to include an algal agriculture research program under the High Priority Research and Extension Initiatives section.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. DUNN OF FLORIDA
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 429, line 14, strike the semicolon at the end.

Page 429, after line 14, insert the following:

1 “(16) ALGAE AGRICULTURE RESEARCH PRO-
2 GRAM.—Research and extension grants may be made
3 under this section for the development and testing of
4 algae and algae systems (including micro- and
5 macro-algae systems).”;



Yoho Amendment #4

This amendment removes a limitation on grant funding from the National Food Safety Training, Education, Extension, Outreach, and Technical Assistance Program that would prohibit entities that have previously received 3 years of funding from this program from competing for new grant funding.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. YOHO OF FLORIDA
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 433, after line 3, insert the following:

1 SEC. ____ . ENDING LIMITATION ON FUNDING UNDER NA-
2 TIONAL FOOD SAFETY TRAINING, EDU-
3 CATION, EXTENSION, OUTREACH, AND TECH-
4 NICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

5 Section 405(e)(3) of the Agricultural Research, Ex-
6 tension, And Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C.
7 7625(e)(3)) is amended to read as follows:

8 “(3) TERM OF GRANT.—A grant under this sec-
9 tion shall have a term that is not more than 3
10 years.”.



H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018
Title VII – Research

Arrington NLGCA Amendment:

Amends the definition of an Non-Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture (NLGCA) institution to remove the exclusion for Hispanic Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) and McIntire Stennis institutions.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. ARRINGTON OF TEXAS
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 399, line 1, strike “(A)”.

Page 399, line 3, strike “(A)”.

Page 399, line 4, strike “amended to read as follows:” and insert “amended—”.

Page 399, after line 4, insert the following:

1 (A) by amending subparagraph (A) to read
2 as follows:

Page 401, line 19, strike the period at the end and insert “; and”.

Page 401, after line 19, insert the following:

3 (B) in subparagraph (C)—
4 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),
5 by inserting “any institution designated
6 under” after “include”;
7 (ii) by striking clause (i); and
8 (iii) in clause (ii)—
9 (I) by striking “(ii) any institu-
10 tion designated under—”;

1 (II) by striking subclause (IV);
2 (III) in subclause (II), by adding
3 “or” at the end;
4 (IV) in subclause (III), by strik-
5 ing “; or” at the end and inserting a
6 period; and
7 (V) by redesignating subclauses
8 (I), (II), and (III) (as so amended) as
9 clauses (i), (ii), and (iii), respectively,
10 and by moving the margins of such
11 clauses (as so redesignated) two ems
12 to the left.



Sponsor: Rep. Neal P. Dunn, M.D. (FL-02)

An amendment to carry out a national science-based education campaign to increase public awareness regarding the use of technology in food and agriculture production.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. DUNN OF FLORIDA
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 464, after line 2, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. ____ . PUBLIC EDUCATION ON BIOTECHNOLOGY IN**
2 **FOOD AND AGRICULTURE SECTORS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary, in consultation
4 with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the
5 Secretary of Education, and such other persons and orga-
6 nizations as the Secretary determines to be appropriate,
7 shall develop and carry out a national science-based edu-
8 cation campaign to increase public awareness regarding
9 the use of technology in food and agriculture production,
10 including—

11 (1) the science of biotechnology as applied to
12 the development of products in the food and agricul-
13 tural sectors, including information about which
14 products of biotechnology in the food and agricul-
15 tural sectors have been approved for use in the
16 United States;

17 (2) the Federal science-based regulatory review
18 process for products made using biotechnology in the

1 food and agricultural sectors conducted under the
2 Coordinated Framework for Regulation of Bio-
3 technology published by the Office of Science and
4 Technology Policy in the Federal Register on June
5 26, 1986 (51 Fed. Reg. 23302), including the stud-
6 ies performed and analyses conducted to ensure that
7 such products are as safe to produce and as safe to
8 eat as products that are not produced using bio-
9 technology;

10 (3) developments in the science of plant and
11 animal breeding over time and the impacts of such
12 developments on farmers, consumers, the environ-
13 ment, and the rural economy; and

14 (4) the effects of the use of biotechnology on
15 food security, nutrition, and the environment.

16 (b) CONSUMER FRIENDLY INFORMATIONAL
17 WEBSITE.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Sec-
18 retary of Health and Human Services, the Administrator
19 of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Office of
20 Science and Technology Policy, and such other persons
21 and organizations as the Secretary determines to be ap-
22 propriate, shall develop, establish, and update as nec-
23 essary, a single Federal government-sponsored public
24 Internet website through which the public can obtain, in
25 an easy to understand and user-friendly format, informa-

1 tion about biotechnology used in the food and agricultural
2 sectors, including—

3 (1) scientific findings and other data on bio-
4 technology used in the food and agricultural sectors;

5 (2) Federal agencies' decisions regarding spe-
6 cific products made using biotechnology in the food
7 and agricultural sectors;

8 (3) a list of frequently asked questions per-
9 taining to the use of biotechnology in the food and
10 agricultural sectors;

11 (4) an easy-to-understand description of the
12 role of Federal agencies in overseeing the use of bio-
13 technology in the food and agricultural sectors;

14 (5) information about novel, emerging tech-
15 nologies within the broader field of biotechnology;
16 and

17 (6) a glossary of terms with respect to bio-
18 technology used in the food and agricultural sectors.

19 (e) SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCES.—The Secretary may,
20 as appropriate, utilize publicly-available social media plat-
21 forms to supplement the campaign established under sub-
22 section (a), and as an extension of the website established
23 under subsection (b).



Yoho Amendment#1

To provide Congress with a report on plans for improving the Federal government's policies and procedures with respect to gene editing and other precision plant breeding methods. The intent is to foster plant breeding innovation, which is paramount to the future of agricultural sustainability and our quality of life and economic well-being, while also recognizing the longstanding safety record associated with plant breeding and plant breeders' standards of practice in the United States.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. YOHO OF FLORIDA
[2018 Farm Bill]

At the appropriate place in title XI, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . REPORT ON AGRICULTURAL INNOVATION.**

2 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the
3 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agri-
4 culture, in consultation with the Administrator of the En-
5 vironmental Protection Agency and the Commissioner of
6 the Food and Drug Administration, shall prepare and sub-
7 mit a report to the Committee on Agriculture of the House
8 of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nu-
9 trition, and Forestry of the Senate on plans for improving
10 the Federal government’s policies and procedures with re-
11 spect to gene editing and other precision plant breeding
12 methods.

13 (b) **CONTENT.**—The report under subsection (a) shall
14 include plans to implement measures designed to ensure
15 that—

16 (1) the United States continues to provide a fa-
17 vorable environment for research and development in

1 precision plant breeding innovation and maintains
2 its leadership with respect to that innovation;

3 (2) for plants for which premarket review is re-
4 quired under the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C.
5 7701 et seq.), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide,
6 and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136), or the Federal
7 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the process for such
8 review is designed—

9 (A) to minimize regulatory burden while
10 assuring protection of public health and wel-
11 fare; and

12 (B) to ensure that resources of the Depart-
13 ment of Agriculture are focused on plants with
14 less familiar characteristics, more complex risk
15 pathways, or both;

16 (3) each agency referred to in subsection (a)
17 recognizes that certain applications of gene editing
18 in plants do not warrant such a premarket review
19 process;

20 (4) each agency referred to in subsection (a)
21 clearly communicates the rationale for the regulatory
22 policies and decisions of such agency to the public
23 through broadly available and easily accessible tools;

24 (5) categories of plants that are familiar and
25 have a history of safe use be identified and exempted

1 from such premarket review or be subject to an ex-
2 pedited, independent premarket review process for
3 which data requirements are reduced;

4 (6) regulatory processes of each agency referred
5 to in subsection (a) are predictable, efficient, not du-
6 plicative, and designed to accommodate rapid ad-
7 vances in plant breeding technology; and

8 (7) where Federal law provides for regulatory
9 oversight of plant breeding technology by more than
10 one Federal agency, the relevant Federal agencies
11 enter into appropriate interagency agreements to
12 shift responsibility for particular categories of plant
13 products and regulatory activities for purposes of
14 meeting the goals specified in paragraphs (1)
15 through (6).



Amendment Explanation

The attached amendment would strike language that creates an alternate process for petitioning substances to be added to the National List and replaces it with language that protects the role of the National Organic Standards Board in reviewing and establishing the National List

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. RODNEY DAVIS OF ILLINOIS
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 547, strike line 21 and all that follows through page 548, line 14, and insert the following:

1 (b) NATIONAL LIST OF APPROVED AND PROHIBITED
2 SUBSTANCES FOR ORGANIC FARMING OR HANDLING OP-
3 ERATIONS.—Section 2119(n) of the Organic Foods Pro-
4 duction Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6518(n)) is amended to
5 read as follows:

6 “(n) PETITIONS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall establish
8 procedures under which persons may petition the
9 Board for the purpose of evaluating substances for
10 inclusion on the National List.

11 “(2) EXPEDITED REVIEW.—The Secretary shall
12 develop procedures under which the review of a peti-
13 tion referred to in paragraph (1) may be expedited
14 if the petition seeks to include on the National List
15 a postharvest handling substance that is related to
16 food safety or a class of such substances.

17 “(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in
18 paragraph (2) shall be construed as providing that

1 section 2118(d) does not apply with respect to the
2 inclusion of a substance on the National List pursu-
3 ant to such paragraph.”.



Amendment Explanation

The attached amendment would repeal the language restricting use of Margin Protection Plans by producers who select ARC.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. RODNEY DAVIS OF ILLINOIS
[2018 Farm Bill]

Page 581, line 17, add “or” at the end;

Page 581, strike lines 18 and 19.

Page 581, line 20, strike “(iii)” and insert “(ii)”.



Sponsor: Rep. Neal P. Dunn, M.D. (FL-02)

An amendment requiring USDA to provide an updated estimate of the number of dogs imported to the United States, including those that are not subject to adequate health screening requirements.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. DUNN OF FLORIDA
[2018 Farm Bill]

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . REPORT ON DOG IMPORTATION.**

2 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
3 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, in consulta-
4 tion with the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of
5 Health and Human Services, and the Secretary of Home-
6 land Security, shall submit to the Committee on Agri-
7 culture of the House of Representatives and the Com-
8 mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Sen-
9 ate a report that contains the following information, with
10 respect to the importation of dogs into the United States:

11 (1) An estimate of the number of dogs so im-
12 ported each year.

13 (2) The number of dogs so imported for resale.

14 (3) The number of dogs for which such impor-
15 tation for resale was requested but denied because
16 such importation failed to meet the requirements of
17 section 18 of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C.
18 2148).

1 (4) The Secretary's recommendations for Fed-
2 eral statutory changes determined to be necessary
3 for such importation for resale to meet the require-
4 ments of such section.



Crawford Century Farms Amendment
to H.R. 2, the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018

This amendment would establish a program in which the Secretary of Agriculture recognizes farms that have been in continuous operation for 100 years.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. CRAWFORD OF ARKANSAS
[2018 Farm Bill]

At the end of the bill, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . CENTURY FARMS PROGRAM.**

2 The Secretary shall establish a program under which
3 the Secretary recognizes any farm that—

4 (1) a State department of agriculture or similar
5 statewide agricultural organization recognizes as a
6 Century Farm; or

7 (2)(A) is defined as a farm or ranch under sec-
8 tion 4284.902 of title 7, Code of Federal Regula-
9 tions (as in effect on the date of enactment of this
10 Act);

11 (B) has been in continuous operation for at
12 least 100 years; and

13 (C) has been owned by the same family for at
14 least 100 consecutive years, as verified through
15 deeds, wills, abstracts, tax statements, or other simi-
16 lar legal documents considered appropriate by the
17 Secretary.



**Amendment offered by Mr. Conaway
Brief Summary**

This amendment makes technical and conforming changes in addition to addressing concerns of other committees.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. CONAWAY OF TEXAS

Page 104, line 12, strike “and” at the end.

Page 104, strike line 13 through 15 and insert the following:

- 1 (3) by striking subparagraphs (B) and (D); and
- 2 (4) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and (E)
- 3 as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively.

Page 170, line 10, add “and” at the end.

Page 170, line 13, strike “; and” and insert a period.

Page 170, strike line 14 and all that follows through page 171, line 16.

Page 171, line 24, strike “paragraph (2)(C)” and insert “paragraph (2)(B)”.

Page 231, line 1, strike “subparagraph” and insert “paragraph”.

Page 231, line 12, strike “subparagraph” and insert “paragraph”.

Page 238, line 1, strike “by striking” the 2d place it appears.

Transfer section 4007 so as to insert such section after section 4011 (and make such technical and conforming changes as may be appropriate).

Page 263, line 1, strike “4007” and insert “4011”.

Page 296, strike lines 1 through 4, and insert the following:

1 (ii) in subparagraph (B) by inserting
2 “the Director of the National Institute of
3 Food and Agriculture and” after “edu-
4 cation,” and

Page 297, line 17, strike the 1st pair of open quotation marks.

Page 304, line 19, strike “**SCHOOL LUNCH**”.

Page 324, line 23, strike “with” and insert “with-
in”.

Page 369, strike lines 13 through 16 and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 6213. RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS.**

2 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 310B(e)(13) of the Con-
3 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.
4 1932(e)(13)) is amended by striking “2018” and inserting
5 “2023”.

6 (b) **TECHNICAL CORRECTION.**—Section
7 310B(e)(11)(B)(i) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
8 Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932(c)(11)(B)(i)) is amended
9 by striking “(12)” and inserting “(13)”.

Page 372, strike lines 6 through 11 and insert the
following:

10 (a) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—Section
11 382M(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop-
12 ment Act (7 U.S.C. 2009aa–12(a)) is amended by strik-
13 ing “2008 through 2018” and inserting “2019 through
14 2023”.

Strike section 8402.

