

118TH CONGRESS
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To amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to improve education and risk management assistance, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. KING) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

A BILL

To amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to improve education and risk management assistance, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Agricultural Manage-
5 ment Assistance Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. EDUCATION AND RISK MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE.**

7 Section 524 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7
8 U.S.C. 1524) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “for
2 the purpose of educating agricultural producers
3 and providing technical assistance to agricul-
4 tural producers” and inserting “for the purpose
5 of educating and providing technical assistance
6 to agricultural producers and approved crop in-
7 surance providers, including language trans-
8 lation services as appropriate,”;

9 (B) in paragraph (3)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
11 graph (A), by striking “education, and out-
12 reach” and inserting “education, outreach,
13 and language translation”;

14 (ii) in subparagraph (E), by striking
15 “and” at the end after the semicolon;

16 (iii) by redesignating subparagraph
17 (F) as subparagraph (G); and

18 (iv) by inserting after subparagraph
19 (E) the following:

20 “(F) Federal crop insurance providers, es-
21 pecially with respect to the whole farm diversi-
22 fied risk management insurance plan developed
23 under section 522(c)(7); and”;

24 (C) in paragraph (4), by striking “para-
25 graph (3)(E)” and inserting “paragraph (3)

1 with respect to the entities described in sub-
2 paragraphs (E) and (F) of that paragraph”;
3 and

4 (2) in subsection (b)—

5 (A) in paragraph (2)—

6 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
7 graph (A), by striking “subsection to—”
8 and inserting “subsection—”;

9 (ii) in each of subparagraphs (A)
10 through (F), by inserting “to” before the
11 first word of the subparagraph;

12 (iii) in subparagraph (C)—

13 (I) in the matter preceding clause
14 (i), by striking “production or mar-
15 keting diversification or”;

16 (II) in clause (ii), by inserting
17 “areawide” before “integrated”;

18 (III) in clause (iii), by striking
19 “or” at the end after the semicolon;
20 and

21 (IV) by striking clause (iv) and
22 inserting the following:

23 “(iv) soil health improvements;

24 “(v) development of sustainable water
25 sources and irrigation;

1 “(vi) perennial crop establishment, in-
2 cluding establishment of agroforestry sys-
3 tems;

4 “(vii) integration of livestock;

5 “(viii) aerobic composting of crop and
6 livestock waste; or

7 “(ix) other conservation practices de-
8 termined by the Secretary to reduce the
9 risk to a farm of financial loss due to the
10 regional impacts of climate change;”;

11 (iv) by redesignating subparagraphs
12 (D) through (F) as subparagraphs (E)
13 through (G), respectively;

14 (v) by inserting after subparagraph
15 (C) the following:

16 “(D) to mitigate financial risk through
17 production or marketing diversification, includ-
18 ing through—

19 “(i) developing or implementing a
20 plan to create marketing opportunities for
21 the producer, including through value-
22 added processing;

23 “(ii) developing or implementing a
24 plan to establish market infrastructure for
25 the producer to support enterprise diver-

1 sification, including drying and storage fa-
2 cilities for small grains from resource-con-
3 serving crop rotations;

4 “(iii) organic farming; and

5 “(iv) food safety certification;” and

6 (vi) in subparagraph (G) (as so redes-
7 igned), by striking “(E)” and inserting
8 “(F)”;

9 (B) in paragraph (3)—

10 (i) by striking “The total amount”
11 and inserting the following:

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
13 graph (B), the total amount”;

14 (ii) in subparagraph (A) (as so des-
15 igned), by striking “for any year may
16 not exceed \$50,000” and inserting “for
17 any 5-year period may not exceed
18 \$200,000”; and

19 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
20 lowing:

21 “(B) EXCLUSION OF OTHER FEDERAL
22 FUNDS.—Any payments made to a person de-
23 scribed in subparagraph (A) for carrying out
24 activities described in paragraph (2) that are
25 not made pursuant to this subsection shall not

1 count for purposes of the payment limitation es-
2 tablished under that subparagraph.”;

3 (C) in paragraph (4)—

4 (i) in subparagraph (B)—

5 (I) in clause (i), by striking
6 “\$10,000,000” and inserting
7 “\$30,000,000”;

8 (II) by striking clause (ii); and

9 (III) by striking the subpara-
10 graph designation and heading and all
11 that follows through “Except as pro-
12 vided in clause (ii), the” in clause (i)
13 and inserting the following:

14 “(B) FUNDING.—The”; and

15 (ii) in subparagraph (C)—

16 (I) in clause (ii), by striking “to
17 provide” and inserting “to carry out
18 paragraph (2)(D), including pro-
19 viding”; and

20 (II) in clause (iii), by striking
21 “(F)” and inserting “(G)”; and

22 (D) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(5) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In
24 addition to amounts made available under paragraph
25 (4), there is authorized to be appropriated to carry

1 out this section \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2023
2 and each fiscal year thereafter, to remain available
3 until expended.”.