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H. R. 3184

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and
Forestry

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a competitive grant program for the Puget Sound area to provide comprehensive conservation planning to address water quality.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Puget Sound Water-
3 shed Comprehensive Conservation Project Act of 2007”.

4 **SEC. 2. COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION PLANNING FOR**
5 **PUGET SOUND AREA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall
7 carry out a competitive grant program for the Puget
8 Sound area to provide comprehensive conservation plan-
9 ning to address water quality. The Secretary shall enter
10 into cooperative agreements with State and local govern-
11 ments, Indian tribes, or non-governmental entities with a
12 history of working with agricultural producers to carry out
13 projects under the program.

14 (b) ASSISTANCE.—In carrying out the program, the
15 Secretary may—

16 (1) provide project demonstration grants, pro-
17 vide technical assistance and carry out information
18 and education programs to improve water quality in
19 the Puget Sound area by reducing soil erosion and
20 improving sediment control; and

21 (2) provide a priority for projects and activities
22 that directly reduce soil erosion or improve water
23 quality.

24 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
25 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary \$5,000,000

- 1 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012 to carry out
- 2 the program.

Passed the House of Representatives July 30, 2007.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.