

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3610

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to permit the donation of hay harvested under the conservation reserve program to certain disaster areas, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 28, 2017

Mrs. NOEM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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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 “Donations in Rough
5 Years (DRY) Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DONATION OF HAY TO CERTAIN AREAS.**

2 Section 1233 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16
3 U.S.C. 3833) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(e) DONATION OF HAY TO CERTAIN AREAS.—The
6 Secretary shall permit the donation of hay harvested in
7 the course of an activity authorized under, and conducted
8 in accordance with the requirements of, this section, to
9 the owner or operator of a farm or ranch that is located
10 in—

11 “(1) the State in which the hay was harvested;

12 and

13 “(2) a county—

14 “(A) that, as determined by the United
15 States Drought Monitor, is experiencing a
16 drought—

17 “(i) of an intensity classified as D2
18 that has existed for a period of 8 weeks or
19 more; or

20 “(ii) of an intensity classified as D3
21 or higher; or

22 “(B) with respect to which the President
23 has issued a declaration under the Robert T.
24 Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-

1 ance Act that a major disaster exists due to a
2 fire.”.

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