

115TH CONGRESS
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S. 2190

To amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 to remove a limitation on funding for emergency assistance for livestock, honey bees, and farm-raised fish, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 4, 2017

Ms. HEITKAMP introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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 “Livestock and Honey
5 Bee Disaster Assistance Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR LIVESTOCK, HONEY**
7 **BEES, AND FARM-RAISED FISH.**

8 Section 1501(d) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7
9 U.S.C. 9081(d)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “not more
2 than \$20,000,000” and inserting “such sums as are
3 necessary”; and

4 (2) by striking paragraph (3).

5 **SEC. 3. COST-SHARE PAYMENTS UNDER EMERGENCY CON-**
6 **SERVATION PROGRAM DURING EXTREME**
7 **DROUGHT.**

8 The Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 is amended by
9 inserting after section 403 (16 U.S.C. 2203) the following:
10 **“SEC. 403A. COST-SHARE PAYMENTS UNDER EMERGENCY**
11 **CONSERVATION PROGRAM DURING EXTREME**
12 **DROUGHT.**

13 “The maximum cost-share percentage under section
14 701.126(a) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations (or suc-
15 cessor regulations), shall be 90 percent in the case of an
16 area that has been identified by the United States
17 Drought Monitor as experiencing extreme or exceptional
18 drought.”.

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