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SA 3193. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3194. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3195. Mr. UDALL (for himself, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. SMITH, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. HEITKAMP) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3196. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 3199. Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. MORAN, and Mrs. FISCHER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3200. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3201. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3202. Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 3205. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. UDALL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3206. Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 3208. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3209. Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. COLLINS, and Mrs. MURRAY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3210. Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Mr. KING) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3211. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. GARDNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3212. Mr. DAINES (for Mr. SCHATZ) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2385, to establish best practices for State, tribal, and local governments participating in the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, and for other purposes.

SA 3213. Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3214. Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. LEAHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3215. Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. SCHATZ, and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3216. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3217. Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. KING, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3218. Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. UDALL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BENNET, and Ms. HARRIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3219. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3220. Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. DAINES) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3221. Mr. KING (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3222. Mr. COONS (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3223. Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3085. Mr. YOUNG (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. DONNELLY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 3304, insert the following:

SEC. 3305. BIOTECHNOLOGY AND AGRICULTURAL TRADE PROGRAM.

Section 1543A of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5679) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking “the biotechnology” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting “of Agriculture a program to be known as the ‘Biotechnology and Agricultural Trade Program.’”;

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking “program” and inserting “Biotechnology and Agricultural Trade Program”; and

(ii) by striking “public and private sector projects funded by grants” and inserting “policy advocacy and targeted projects”;

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “or new agricultural production technologies” after “biotechnology”; and

(ii) in subparagraph (D), by striking “or” at the end; and

(C) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following: “

“(2) issues relating to United States agricultural commodities produced with the use of biotechnology or new agricultural production technologies; or

“(3) advocacy for science-based regulation in foreign markets of biotechnology or new agricultural production technologies.”; and

(3) in subsection (d), by striking “\$6,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2007” and inserting “\$2,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023”.

SA 3086. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. BALDWIN, Mrs. ERNST, and Mrs. FISCHER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 42. FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 19 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769a) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking “FRESH”; and

(2) in subsections (a), (b), and (e), by inserting “, canned, dried, frozen, or pureed” after “fresh” each place it appears.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 14222(c) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 612c-6(c)) is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by striking “FRESH”; and

(2) by striking “fresh”.

SA 3087. Mr. RISCH (for himself and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS.

Section 320301 of title 54, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking “The President may” and inserting “After obtaining congressional approval of the proposed national monument, certifying compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) with respect to

the proposed national monument, and determining that the State in which the proposed national monument is to be located has enacted legislation approving the designation of the proposed national monument, the President may"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(e) RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC USE.—The Secretary shall not implement any restrictions on the public use of a national monument until the expiration of an appropriate review period (as determined by the Secretary) providing for public input and congressional approval."

SA 3088. Mr. RISCH (for himself and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 7302, insert the following:

SEC. 73. INDIRECT COSTS.

Section 408(a) of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7628(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting the following:

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(2) INDIRECT COSTS.—Indirect costs associated with a grant awarded under paragraph (1) may be not more than 10 percent of the total of the funds provided under the grant."

SA 3089. Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title VII, add the following:

SEC. 74. RESEARCH ON OCEAN AGRICULTURE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in coordination with the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, shall establish a working group (referred to in this section as the "working group")—

(1) to study how mangroves, kelp forests, tidal marshes, and seagrass meadows could help deacidify the oceans;

(2) to study emerging ocean farming practices that use kelp and seagrass to deacidify the oceans while providing feedstock for agriculture and other commercial and industrial inputs; and

(3) to coordinate and conduct research to develop and enhance pilot-scale research for farming of kelp and seagrass in order—

(A) to deacidify ocean environments;

(B) to produce a feedstock for agriculture; and

(C) to develop other scalable commercial applications for kelp, seagrass, or products derived from kelp or seagrass.

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The working group shall include—

(1) the Secretary;

(2) the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

(3) representatives of any relevant offices within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the work-

ing group shall submit to Congress a report that includes—

(1) the findings of the research described in subsection (a);

(2) the results of the pilot-scale research described in subsection (a)(3); and

(3) any policy recommendations based on those findings and results.

SA 3090. Mrs. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In paragraph (2) of section 6(d) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2015(d)) (as added by section 4103(a)(1)(B)), strike subparagraph (D) and insert the following:

"(D) WAIVER.—

"(i) DEFINITION OF AREA.—In this subparagraph, the term 'area' means—

"(I) a State;

"(II) a county; and

"(III) a city that is located in more than 1 county.

"(ii) WAIVER BY SECRETARY.—On the request of a State agency, the Secretary may waive the applicability of subparagraph (B) to any group of individuals in the State if the Secretary makes a determination that the area in which the individuals reside—

"(I) has an unemployment rate of over 10 percent;

"(II) has a State 'on' indicator for extended compensation under the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note; Public Law 91-373); or

"(III) has—

"(aa) an unemployment rate that is greater than 7 percent; and

"(bb) an average unemployment rate for the most recent 12-month period that is not less than 120 percent of the national average unemployment rate for that period.

"(iii) REPORT.—The Secretary shall report the basis for a waiver under clause (ii) to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate."

SA 3091. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 12609. CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL BEFORE ADJUSTMENT BY PRESIDENT OF IMPORTS DETERMINED TO THREATEN TO IMPAIR NATIONAL SECURITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (19 U.S.C. 1862) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking subparagraph (B);

(ii) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking "(A) Within" and inserting "Within";

(iii) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively; and

(iv) in subparagraph (B), as redesignated by clause (iii)—

(I) by striking "determine" and inserting "submit to Congress, not later than 15 days

after making that determination, a proposal regarding"; and

(II) by striking "must" and inserting "should"; and

(B) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting the following:

"(2) The President shall submit to Congress for review under subsection (f) a report describing the action proposed to be taken under paragraph (1) and specifying the reasons for such proposal. Such report shall be included in the report published under subsection (e).";

(2) by redesignating the second subsection (d) as subsection (e); and

(3) by striking subsection (f) and inserting the following:

"(f) CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF PRESIDENTIAL ADJUSTMENT OF IMPORTS; JOINT RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—An action to adjust imports proposed by the President and submitted to Congress under subsection (c)(2) shall have force and effect only upon the enactment of a joint resolution of approval, provided for in paragraph (3), relating to that action.

"(2) PERIOD FOR REVIEW BY CONGRESS.—The period for congressional review of a report required to be submitted under subsection (c)(2) shall be 60 calendar days.

"(3) JOINT RESOLUTIONS OF APPROVAL.—

"(A) JOINT RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term 'joint resolution of approval' means only a joint resolution of either House of Congress—

"(i) the title of which is as follows: 'A joint resolution approving the proposal of the President to take an action relating to the adjustment of imports entering into the United States in such quantities or under such circumstances as to threaten or impair the national security.'; and

"(ii) the sole matter after the resolving clause of which is the following: 'Congress approves of the recommendation of the President to Congress relating to the adjustment of imports to protect the national security as proposed by the President in the report submitted to Congress under section 232(c)(2) of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (19 U.S.C. 1862(c)(2)) on _____', with the first blank space being filled with the appropriate date and the second blank space being filled with a short description of the proposed action.

"(B) INTRODUCTION.—During the period of 60 calendar days provided for under paragraph (2), a joint resolution of approval may be introduced and shall be referred to the appropriate committee.

"(C) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—If a committee of the House of Representatives to which a joint resolution of approval has been referred has not reported the joint resolution within 10 calendar days after the date of referral, that committee shall be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution.

"(D) CONSIDERATION IN THE SENATE.—

"(i) COMMITTEE REFERRAL.—A joint resolution of approval introduced in the Senate shall be referred to the Committee on Finance.

"(ii) REPORTING AND DISCHARGE.—If the committee to which a joint resolution of approval was referred has not reported the joint resolution within 10 calendar days after the date of referral of the joint resolution, that committee shall be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution and the joint resolution shall be placed on the appropriate calendar.

"(iii) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—Notwithstanding Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it is in order at any time after the Committee on Finance reports a joint resolution of approval or has been

discharged from consideration of such a joint resolution to move to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution. The motion to proceed is not debatable. The motion is not subject to a motion to postpone. A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to shall not be in order.

“(iv) **RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCEDURE.**—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relating to the application of the rules of the Senate, as the case may be, to the procedure relating to a joint resolution of approval shall be decided by the Senate without debate.

“(E) **RULES RELATING TO SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.**—

“(i) **TREATMENT OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION IN HOUSE.**—In the House of Representatives, the following procedures shall apply to a joint resolution of approval received from the Senate (unless the House has already passed a joint resolution relating to the same proposed action):

“(I) The joint resolution shall be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

“(II) If the Committee on Ways and Means has not reported the joint resolution within 2 calendar days after the date of referral, that committee shall be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution.

“(III) Beginning on the third legislative day after each committee to which a joint resolution has been referred reports the joint resolution to the House or has been discharged from further consideration thereof, it shall be in order to move to proceed to consider the joint resolution in the House. All points of order against the motion are waived. Such a motion shall not be in order after the House has disposed of a motion to proceed on the joint resolution. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to its adoption without intervening motion. The motion shall not be debatable. A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is disposed of shall not be in order.

“(IV) The joint resolution shall be considered as read. All points of order against the joint resolution and against its consideration are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion except 2 hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the sponsor of the joint resolution (or a designee) and an opponent. A motion to reconsider the vote on passage of the joint resolution shall not be in order.

“(ii) **TREATMENT OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION IN SENATE.**—

“(I) If, before the passage by the Senate of a joint resolution of approval, the Senate receives an identical joint resolution from the House of Representatives, the following procedures shall apply:

“(aa) That joint resolution shall not be referred to a committee.

“(bb) With respect to that joint resolution—

“(AA) the procedure in the Senate shall be the same as if no joint resolution had been received from the House of Representatives; but

“(BB) the vote on passage shall be on the joint resolution from the House of Representatives.

“(II) If, following passage of a joint resolution of approval in the Senate, the Senate receives an identical joint resolution from the House of Representatives, that joint resolution shall be placed on the appropriate Senate calendar.

“(III) If a joint resolution of approval is received from the House, and no companion joint resolution has been introduced in the Senate, the Senate procedures as described

in subparagraph (D) shall apply to the House joint resolution.

“(F) **RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE.**—This paragraph is enacted by Congress—

“(i) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, and as such is deemed a part of the rules of each House, respectively, and supersedes other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent with such rules; and

“(ii) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as relating to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of that House.”.

(b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to any proposed action covered by subsection (c) of section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (19 U.S.C. 1862), as so amended, on or after the date that is two years before the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) **TIMING OF CERTAIN PROPOSALS.**—If the President makes a determination described in subsection (c)(1)(A) of such section, as so amended, during the period beginning on the date that is two years before the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on the day before such date of enactment, the submission to Congress of the proposal described in subsection (c)(1)(B) of such section, as so amended, shall be required not later than 15 days after such date of enactment.

(3) **MODIFICATION OF DUTY RATE AMOUNTS.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Any rate of duty modified under section 232(c) of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (19 U.S.C. 1862(c)) during the period specified in paragraph (2) shall on the date of the enactment of this Act revert to the rate of duty in effect before such modification.

(B) **RETROACTIVE APPLICATION FOR CERTAIN LIQUIDATIONS AND RELIQUIDATIONS.**—

(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to clause (ii), any entry of an article that—

(I) was made—

(aa) on or after the date that is two years before the date of the enactment of this Act, and

(bb) before such date of enactment, and

(II) to which a lower rate of duty would be applicable due to the application of subparagraph (A), shall be liquidated or reliquidated as though such entry occurred on such date of enactment.

(ii) **REQUESTS.**—A liquidation or reliquidation may be made under clause (i) with respect to an entry only if a request therefor is filed with U.S. Customs and Border Protection not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act that contains sufficient information to enable U.S. Customs and Border Protection—

(I) to locate the entry; or

(II) to reconstruct the entry if it cannot be located.

(iii) **PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS OWED.**—Any amounts owed by the United States pursuant to the liquidation or reliquidation of an entry of an article under clause (i) shall be paid, without interest, not later than 90 days after the date of the liquidation or reliquidation (as the case may be).

SA 3092. Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. GARDNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which

was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 8635. PIKE NATIONAL FOREST LAND EXCHANGE.

(a) **PURPOSES.**—The purposes of this section are—

(1) to authorize, direct, expedite and facilitate the land exchange set forth herein; and

(2) to promote enhanced public outdoor recreational and natural resource conservation opportunities in the Pike National Forest near Pikes Peak, Colorado, via acquisition of the non-Federal land and trail easement.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **BHI.**—The term “BHI” means Broadmoor Hotel, Inc., a Colorado corporation.

(2) **FEDERAL LAND.**—The term “Federal land” means all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to approximately 83 acres of land within the Pike National Forest, El Paso County, Colorado, together with a nonexclusive perpetual access easement to BHI to and from such land on Forest Service Road 371, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Proposed Crags Land Exchange—Federal Parcel—Emerald Valley Ranch”, dated March 2015.

(3) **NON-FEDERAL LAND.**—The term “non-Federal land” means the land and trail easement to be conveyed to the Secretary by BHI in the exchange and is—

(A) approximately 320 acres of land within the Pike National Forest, Teller County, Colorado, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Proposed Crags Land Exchange—Non-Federal Parcel—Crags Property”, dated March 2015; and

(B) a permanent trail easement for the Barr Trail in El Paso County, Colorado, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Proposed Crags Land Exchange—Barr Trail Easement to United States”, dated March 2015, and which shall be considered as a voluntary donation to the United States by BHI for all purposes of law.

(c) **LAND EXCHANGE.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—If BHI offers to convey to the Secretary all right, title, and interest of BHI in and to the non-Federal land, the Secretary shall accept the offer and simultaneously convey to BHI the Federal land.

(2) **LAND TITLE.**—Title to the non-Federal land conveyed and donated to the Secretary under this section shall be acceptable to the Secretary and shall conform to the title approval standards of the Attorney General of the United States applicable to land acquisitions by the Federal Government.

(3) **PERPETUAL ACCESS EASEMENT TO BHI.**—The nonexclusive perpetual access easement to be granted to BHI as shown on the map referred to in subsection (b)(2) shall allow—

(A) BHI to fully maintain, at BHI's expense, and use Forest Service Road 371 from its junction with Forest Service Road 368 in accordance with historic use and maintenance patterns by BHI; and

(B) full and continued public and administrative access and use of FSR 371 in accordance with the existing Forest Service travel management plan, or as such plan may be revised by the Secretary.

(4) **ROUTE AND CONDITION OF ROAD.**—BHI and the Secretary may mutually agree to improve, relocate, reconstruct, or otherwise alter the route and condition of all or portions of such road as the Secretary, in close consultation with BHI, may determine advisable.

(5) **EXCHANGE COSTS.**—BHI shall pay for all land survey, appraisal, and other costs to the Secretary as may be necessary to process and consummate the exchange directed by

this section, including reimbursement to the Secretary, if the Secretary so requests, for staff time spent in such processing and consummation.

(d) **EQUAL VALUE EXCHANGE AND APPRAISALS.**—

(1) **APPRAISALS.**—The values of the lands to be exchanged under this section shall be determined by the Secretary through appraisals performed in accordance with—

(A) the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions;

(B) the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice;

(C) appraisal instructions issued by the Secretary; and

(D) shall be performed by an appraiser mutually agreed to by the Secretary and BHI.

(2) **EQUAL VALUE EXCHANGE.**—The values of the Federal and non-Federal land parcels exchanged shall be equal, or if they are not equal, shall be equalized as follows:

(A) **SURPLUS OF FEDERAL LAND VALUE.**—If the final appraised value of the Federal land exceeds the final appraised value of the non-Federal land parcel identified in subsection (b)(3)(A), BHI shall make a cash equalization payment to the United States as necessary to achieve equal value, including, if necessary, an amount in excess of that authorized pursuant to section 206(b) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716(b)).

(B) **USE OF FUNDS.**—Any cash equalization moneys received by the Secretary under subparagraph (A) shall be—

(i) deposited in the fund established under Public Law 90-171 (commonly known as the “Sisk Act”); 16 U.S.C. 484a; and

(ii) made available to the Secretary for the acquisition of land or interests in land in Region 2 of the Forest Service.

(C) **SURPLUS OF NON-FEDERAL LAND VALUE.**—If the final appraised value of the non-Federal land parcel identified in subsection (b)(3)(A) exceeds the final appraised value of the Federal land, the United States shall not make a cash equalization payment to BHI, and surplus value of the non-Federal land shall be considered a donation by BHI to the United States for all purposes of law.

(3) **APPRAISAL EXCLUSIONS.**—

(A) **SPECIAL USE PERMIT.**—The appraised value of the Federal land parcel shall not reflect any increase or diminution in value due to the special use permit existing on the date of the enactment of this Act to BHI on the parcel and improvements thereunder.

(B) **BARR TRAIL EASEMENT.**—The Barr Trail easement donation identified in subsection (b)(3)(B) shall not be appraised for purposes of this section.

(e) **MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.**—

(1) **WITHDRAWAL PROVISIONS.**—

(A) **WITHDRAWAL.**—Lands acquired by the Secretary under this section shall, without further action by the Secretary, be permanently withdrawn from all forms of appropriation and disposal under the public land laws (including the mining and mineral leasing laws) and the Geothermal Steam Act of 1930 (30 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

(B) **WITHDRAWAL REVOCATION.**—Any public land order that withdraws the Federal land from appropriation or disposal under a public land law shall be revoked to the extent necessary to permit disposal of the Federal land parcel to BHI.

(C) **WITHDRAWAL OF FEDERAL LAND.**—All Federal land authorized to be exchanged under this section, if not already withdrawn or segregated from appropriation or disposal under the public lands laws upon enactment of this Act, is hereby so withdrawn, subject to valid existing rights, until the date of conveyance of the Federal land to BHI.

(2) **POSTEXCHANGE LAND MANAGEMENT.**—Land acquired by the Secretary under this

section shall become part of the Pike-San Isabel National Forest and be managed in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the National Forest System.

(3) **EXCHANGE TIMETABLE.**—It is the intent of Congress that the land exchange directed by this section be consummated no later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(4) **MAPS, ESTIMATES, AND DESCRIPTIONS.**—

(A) **MINOR ERRORS.**—The Secretary and BHI may by mutual agreement make minor boundary adjustments to the Federal and non-Federal lands involved in the exchange, and may correct any minor errors in any map, acreage estimate, or description of any land to be exchanged.

(B) **CONFLICT.**—If there is a conflict between a map, an acreage estimate, or a description of land under this section, the map shall control unless the Secretary and BHI mutually agree otherwise.

(C) **AVAILABILITY.**—Upon enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall file and make available for public inspection in the headquarters of the Pike-San Isabel National Forest a copy of all maps referred to in this section.

SEC. 8636. BOLTS DITCH ACCESS.

(a) **ACCESS GRANTED.**—The Secretary shall permit by special use authorization non-motorized access and use, in accordance with section 293.6 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, of the Bolts Ditch Headgate and the Bolts Ditch within the Holy Cross Wilderness, Colorado, as designated by Public Law 96-560, for the purposes of the diversion of water and use, maintenance, and repair of such ditch and headgate by the Town of Minturn, Colorado, a Colorado Home Rule Municipality.

(b) **LOCATION OF FACILITIES.**—The Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment referenced in subsection (a) are as generally depicted on the map entitled “Bolts Ditch headgate and Ditch Segment”, dated November, 2015.

SEC. 8637. LAND CONVEYANCE, ELKHORN RANCH AND WHITE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST, COLORADO.

(a) **LAND CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.**—Consistent with the purpose of the Act of March 3, 1909 (43 U.S.C. 772), all right, title, and interest of the United States (subject to subsection (b)) in and to a parcel of land consisting of approximately 148 acres as generally depicted on the map entitled “Elkhorn Ranch Land Parcel-White River National Forest” and dated March 2015 shall be conveyed by patent to the Gordman-Leverich Partnership, a Colorado Limited Liability Partnership (in this section referred to as “GLP”).

(b) **EXISTING RIGHTS.**—The conveyance under subsection (a)—

(1) is subject to the valid existing rights of the lessee of Federal oil and gas lease COC-75070 and any other valid existing rights; and

(2) shall reserve to the United States the right to collect rent and royalty payments on the lease referred to in paragraph (1) for the duration of the lease.

(c) **EXISTING BOUNDARIES.**—The conveyance under subsection (a) does not modify the exterior boundary of the White River National Forest or the boundaries of Sections 18 and 19 of Township 7 South, Range 93 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, as such boundaries are in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) **TIME FOR CONVEYANCE; PAYMENT OF COSTS.**—The conveyance directed under subsection (a) shall be completed not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act. The conveyance shall be without consideration, except that all costs incurred by the Secretary of the Interior relating to

any survey, platting, legal description, or other activities carried out to prepare and issue the patent shall be paid by GLP to the Secretary prior to the land conveyance.

SEC. 8638. MAP UPDATE; MAXIMUM ACREAGE AVAILABLE FOR INCLUSION IN THE FLORISSANT FOSSIL BEDS NATIONAL MONUMENT.

The first section of Public Law 91-60 (83 Stat. 101) is amended—

(1) by striking “entitled ‘Proposed Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument’, numbered NM-FFB-7100, and dated March 1967, and more particularly described by metes and bounds in an attachment to that map,” and inserting “entitled ‘Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument Proposed Boundary Adjustment’, numbered 171/132,544, and dated May 3, 2016,”; and

(2) by striking “six thousand acres” and inserting “6,300 acres”.

SEC. 8639. ARAPAHO NATIONAL FOREST BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The boundary of the Arapaho National Forest in the State of Colorado is adjusted to incorporate the approximately 92.95 acres of land generally depicted as “The Wedge” on the map entitled “Arapaho National Forest Boundary Adjustment” and dated November 6, 2013, and described as lots three, four, eight, and nine of section 13, Township 4 North, Range 76 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado. A lot described in this subsection may be included in the boundary adjustment only after the Secretary obtains written permission for such action from the lot owner or owners.

(b) **BOWEN GULCH PROTECTION AREA.**—The Secretary shall include all Federal land within the boundary described in subsection (a) in the Bowen Gulch Protection Area established under section 6 of the Colorado Wilderness Act of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 539j).

(c) **LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND.**—For purposes of section 200306(a)(2)(B)(i) of title 54, United States Code, the boundaries of the Arapaho National Forest, as modified under subsection (a), shall be considered to be the boundaries of the Arapaho National Forest as in existence on January 1, 1965.

(d) **PUBLIC MOTORIZED USE.**—Nothing in this section opens privately owned lands within the boundary described in subsection (a) to public motorized use.

(e) **ACCESS TO NON-FEDERAL LANDS.**—Notwithstanding the provisions of section 6(f) of the Colorado Wilderness Act of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 539j(f)) regarding motorized travel, the owners of any non-Federal lands within the boundary described in subsection (a) who historically have accessed their lands through lands now or hereafter owned by the United States within the boundary described in subsection (a) shall have the continued right of motorized access to their lands across the existing roadway.

SEC. 8640. DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK AND BOSKOFF PEAK, COLORADO.

(a) **FINDINGS.**—Congress finds that—

(1) Charlie Fowler was—

(A) one of the most experienced mountain climbers in North America, having successfully climbed many of the highest peaks in the world;

(B) an author, guide, filmmaker, photographer, and wilderness advocate;

(C) the recipient of the 2004 Robert and Miriam Underhill Award from the American Alpine Club, an award that—

(i) honors outstanding mountaineering achievement; and

(ii) is awarded annually to climbers who have “demonstrated the highest level of skill in mountaineering and who, through the application of this skill, courage, and perseverance, have achieved outstanding success in the various fields of mountaineering”; and

(D) a summiter of several 8,000-meter peaks, specifically—

- (i) Everest;
- (ii) Cho Oyu; and
- (iii) Shishapangma;
- (2) Christine Boskoff—

(A) was one of the leading female alpinists in the United States, having climbed 6 of the 14 mountain peaks in the world that are higher than 8,000 meters, specifically—

- (i) Everest;
- (ii) Cho Oyu;
- (iii) Gasherbrum II;
- (iv) Lhotse;
- (v) Shishapangma; and
- (vi) Broad Peak;

(B) gave countless hours to nonprofit organizations that supported—

- (i) the rights of porters and Sherpas;
- (ii) the education of women; and
- (iii) global literacy and gender equality; and

(C) was recognized by the education communities in the United States and Nepal as a role model for students;

(3) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff were long-time residents of San Miguel County, Colorado, and champions for the pristine backcountry of Colorado;

(4) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff died in an avalanche in November 2006 while attempting to summit Genyen Peak in Tibet;

(5) 2 unnamed 13,000-foot peaks located west of Wilson Peak on the boundary of San Miguel and Dolores Counties, Colorado, offer spectacular recreational climbing and hiking opportunities; and

(6) the local community in the vicinity of the peaks described in paragraph (5) and fellow climbers propose to honor and commemorate Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff by naming the peaks after Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff.

(b) DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,498-foot mountain peak, located at 37.8569° N, by -108.0117° W, in the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of Colorado, shall be known and designated as “Fowler Peak”.

(2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the peak described in paragraph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to “Fowler Peak”.

(c) DESIGNATION OF BOSKOFF PEAK.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,123-foot mountain peak, located at 37.85549° N, by -108.03112° W, in the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of Colorado, shall be known and designated as “Boskoff Peak”.

(2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the peak described in paragraph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to “Boskoff Peak”.

SEC. 8641. CONVEYANCE OF WEST FORK FIRE STATION CONVEYANCE PARCEL, DOLORES COUNTY, COLORADO.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COUNTY.—The term “County” means Dolores County, Colorado.

(2) WEST FORK FIRE STATION CONVEYANCE PARCEL.—The term “West Fork Fire Station Conveyance Parcel” means the parcel of approximately 3.61 acres of National Forest System land in the County, as depicted on the map entitled “Map for West Fork Fire Station Conveyance Parcel” and dated November 21, 2017.

(b) CONVEYANCE.—On receipt of a request from the County and subject to such terms and conditions as are mutually satisfactory to the Secretary and the County, including such additional terms as the Secretary determines to be necessary, the Secretary shall convey to the County without consideration all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the West Fork Fire Station Conveyance Parcel.

(c) COSTS.—Any costs relating to the conveyance under subsection (b), including processing and transaction costs, shall be paid by the County.

(d) USE OF LAND.—The land conveyed to the County under subsection (b) shall be used by the County only for a fire station, related infrastructure, and roads to facilitate access to and through the West Fork Fire Station Conveyance Parcel.

(e) REVERSION.—If any portion of the land conveyed under subsection (b) is used in a manner that is inconsistent with the use described in subsection (d), the land shall, at the discretion of the Secretary, revert to the United States.

SA 3093. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86 ____ . STUDY ON IMPACTS TO NATIONAL FORESTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

(a) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall enter into appropriate arrangements with the National Academy of Sciences to convene a committee of experts in natural sciences (referred to in this section as the “committee”) to conduct a study to examine the impacts of climate change and weather variability on national forest ecosystems, including forests, plants, aquatic ecosystems, and wildlife.

(2) DEADLINE.—The committee shall convene not later than 30 days after the date on which the Secretary and the National Academy of Sciences enter into an arrangement under paragraph (1).

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—On completion of the study under subsection (a), the committee shall prepare an expert consensus report that—

(A) describes current scientific knowledge relating to the impacts of climate change and weather variability on national forest ecosystems; and

(B) recommends the best strategies to ensure that national forest ecosystems, including forests, plants, aquatic ecosystems, and wildlife, are able to adapt to climate change and weather variability.

(2) SUBMISSION.—The National Academies of Sciences shall submit the report prepared under paragraph (1) to—

(A) the Secretary;

(B) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives; and

(C) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate.

SA 3094. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

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

SEC. 8 ____ . SENSE OF THE SENATE RELATING TO THE FOREST SERVICE.

It is the sense of the Senate that the Forest Service shall remain a component of the Department of Agriculture.

SA 3095. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86 ____ . SENSE OF THE SENATE RELATING TO WILDERNESS STUDY AREA LEGISLATION.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) wilderness study areas are an important component of the National Forest System;

(2) legislation to release wilderness study areas has, in the past, been informed through a robust public process that includes several meetings near the affected acreage attended by a variety of local stakeholders; and

(3) the release of the Molas Pass Wilderness Study Area in the San Juan National Forest in the State of Colorado under section 3062(f)(2) of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (16 U.S.C. 539q(f)(2)) was informed through multiple public meetings conducted over a period of several years in the region in which the wilderness study area was located.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that legislation to release wilderness study areas should be informed by a robust stakeholder process that includes numerous stakeholder meetings in the region in which the wilderness study area is located.

SA 3096. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86 ____ . PROHIBITION OF SALE OR TRANSFER OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LAND.

Except as authorized by an Act of Congress, the sale or transfer of National Forest System land is prohibited.

SA 3097. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION.

(a) FINANCING.—Section 1309(a) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4016(a)) is amended by striking “September 30, 2017” and inserting “January 31, 2019”.

(b) PROGRAM EXPIRATION.—Section 1319 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4026) is amended by striking “September 30, 2017” and inserting “January 31, 2019”.

SA 3098. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by

him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4104, redesignate subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (d) and (e), respectively.

In section 4104, insert after subsection (b) the following:

(c) IDENTIFICATION FOR CARD USE.—Section 7(h)(9) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2016(h)(9)) is amended—

(1) in the paragraph heading, by striking “OPTIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION” and inserting “IDENTIFICATION FOR CARD USE”;

(2) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(3) by inserting before clause (i) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(A) LISTED BENEFICIARIES.—A State agency shall require that an electronic benefit card lists the names of—

“(i) the head of the household;

“(ii) each adult member of the household; and

“(iii) each adult that is not a member of the household that is authorized to use that card.

“(B) PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under clause (ii), any individual listed on an electronic benefit card under subparagraph (A) shall be required to show photographic identification at the point of sale when using the card.

“(ii) HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD.—A head of a household is not required to show photographic identification under clause (i) if the electronic benefit card contains a photograph of that individual under subparagraph (C)(i).

“(C) OPTIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION.—”;

(4) in subparagraph (C) (as so designated)—

(A) in clause (i) (as so redesignated), by striking “1 or more members of a” and inserting “the head of the”; and

(B) in clause (ii) (as so redesignated)—

(i) by striking “subparagraph (A)” and inserting “clause (i)”; and

(ii) by inserting “subject to subparagraph (B)(i)” after “the card”; and

(5) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) VISUAL VERIFICATION.—Any individual that is shown photographic identification on an electronic benefit card containing a photograph, as applicable, under subparagraph (B) shall visually confirm that the photograph on the identification or the electronic benefit card, as applicable, is a clear and accurate likeness of the individual using the electronic benefit card.”.

SA 3099. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125 . PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

None of the grants, funds, loans, or credit made available under this Act shall be used for the purchase, lease, or acquisition of

equipment produced by or services provided by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of those entities).

SA 3100. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125 . REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE TAKING OF DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANTS.

(a) FORCE AND EFFECT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), section 21.47 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of this Act), shall have the force and effect of law.

(2) PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (referred to in this section as the “Director”), shall notify the public of the authority provided by paragraph (1) in a manner determined appropriate by the Secretary of the Interior.

(b) SUNSET.—The authority provided by subsection (a)(1) shall terminate on the date that is the earlier of—

(1) the effective date of a regulation promulgated by the Director after the date of enactment of this Act to control depredation of double-crested cormorant populations; or

(2) 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section limits the authority of the Director to promulgate regulations relating to the taking of double-crested cormorants under any other law.

SA 3101. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125 . WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES.

(a) WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES RULE TERMINATION.—The final rule issued by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Secretary of the Army entitled “Clean Water Rule: Definition of ‘Waters of the United States’” (80 Fed. Reg. 37054 (June 29, 2015)) is void.

(b) NAVIGABLE WATERS DEFINITION.—Section 502 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1362) is amended by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

“(7) NAVIGABLE WATERS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘navigable waters’ means—

“(i) waters that are used, were used before the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, or are susceptible to use in the natural and ordinary condition of those waters, as a means to transport interstate or foreign commerce, including all waters that are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide;

“(ii) interstate waters, including interstate wetlands;

“(iii) other waters, such as intrastate lakes, rivers, streams (including intermit-

tent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, or natural ponds, the use, degradation, or destruction of which could affect interstate or foreign commerce, including any waters—

“(I) which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes;

“(II) from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce; and

“(III) which are used or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce;

“(iv) any impoundment of waters described under this subparagraph;

“(v) tributaries of waters described in clauses (i) through (iv);

“(vi) the territorial sea; and

“(vii) wetlands adjacent to waters (other than waters that are wetlands) described in clauses (i) through (vi), including wetlands separated from other waters through objects such as—

“(I) manmade dikes or barriers;

“(II) natural river berms; or

“(III) beach dunes.

“(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ‘navigable waters’ does not include—

“(i) waste treatment systems, including treatment ponds or lagoons designed to meet the requirements of this Act (other than a cooling pond that meets the requirements under subparagraph (A)); and

“(ii) prior converted cropland.

“(C) ASSOCIATED DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this paragraph:

“(i) ADJACENT.—The term ‘adjacent’ means bordering, contiguous, or neighboring.

“(ii) TERRITORIAL SEAS.—The term ‘territorial sea’ means the belt of the sea measured from the baseline, as determined in accordance with the Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone (15 UST 1606; TIAS 5639).

“(iii) WETLANDS.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘wetlands’ means areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions.

“(II) INCLUSION.—The term ‘wetlands’ includes swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas.”.

SA 3102. Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. NELSON, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. DAINES, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. DONNELLY, Ms. SMITH, Mr. JONES, Mrs. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. TESTER, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. HATCH, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . HOURS OF SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS.

Section 229 of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999 (49 U.S.C. 31136 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “during planting and harvest periods, as determined by each State,”; and

(B) by amending subparagraph (A) to read as follows:

“(A) drivers transporting agricultural commodities within a 150 air-mile radius from—

“(i) the source of the agricultural commodities; or

“(ii) the destination of the agricultural commodities;”;

(2) in subsection (e)(8)—

(A) by striking “during the planting and harvesting seasons within each State, as determined by the State,”; and

(B) by striking “at any time of the year”.

SA 3103. Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. FLAKE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title XI, add the following:

SEC. 11. LIMITATION ON PREMIUM SUBSIDY BASED ON AVERAGE ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.

Section 508(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(9) LIMITATION ON PREMIUM SUBSIDY BASED ON AVERAGE ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.—

“(A) DEFINITION OF AVERAGE ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.—In this paragraph, the term ‘average adjusted gross income’ has the meaning given the term in section 1001D(a) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308-3a(a)).

“(B) LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle and beginning with the 2019 reinsurance year, in the case of any producer that is a person or legal entity that has an average adjusted gross income in excess of \$700,000 based on the most recent data available from the Farm Service Agency as of the beginning of the reinsurance year, the total amount of premium subsidy provided with respect to additional coverage under subsection (c) or section 508B issued on behalf of the producer for a reinsurance year shall be 15 percentage points less than the premium subsidy provided in accordance with this subsection that would otherwise be available for the applicable policy, plan of insurance, and coverage level selected by the producer.”.

SA 3104. Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. APPLICABILITY OF CAPITAL AND MARGIN REQUIREMENTS TO COUNTERPARTIES.

Section 4s(e)(4) of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 6s(e)(4)) is amended—

(1) by striking “counterparty qualifies” and inserting the following: “counterparty—

“(A) qualifies”;

(2) in subparagraph (A) (as so designated), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(B)(i) is a money transmitter (as defined in section 1010.100(ff)(5) of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations) (or any successor regulation) that—

“(I) is regulated by a State, the District of Columbia, or a territory or possession of the United States for financial adequacy;

“(II) is registered in accordance with section 1022.380 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation); and

“(III) enters only into swaps exclusively for the purpose of offsetting risks generated from foreign currency contracts with an entity that is not a financial end user (as defined in section 23.151 of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation)); and

“(ii) has total assets of \$1,000,000,000 or less on the last day of its most recent fiscal year.”.

SA 3105. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 6117, insert the following:

SEC. 6118. USE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL.

Section 333A of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983a) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(1) USE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL.—

“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

“(A) COVERED PROGRAM.—The term ‘covered program’ means—

“(i) water or waste disposal grants or direct or guaranteed loans under paragraph (1) or (2) of section 306(a);

“(ii) rural water or wastewater technical assistance and training grants under section 306(a)(14);

“(iii) emergency community water assistance grants under section 306A;

“(iv) water and waste facility loans and grants under section 306C;

“(v) grants for water and wastewater systems for rural and Native villages in Alaska under section 306D;

“(vi) grants to finance the construction, refurbishing, and servicing of individually owned household well systems in rural areas under section 306E; and

“(vii) solid waste management grants under section 310B(b).

“(B) IRON OR STEEL PRODUCT.—The term ‘iron or steel product’ means any of the following products made primarily of iron or steel:

“(i) Lined or unlined pipes or fittings.

“(ii) Manhole covers or other municipal castings.

“(iii) Hydrants.

“(iv) Tanks.

“(v) Flanges.

“(vi) Pipe clamps or restraints.

“(vii) Valves.

“(viii) Structural steel.

“(ix) Reinforced precast concrete.

“(x) Construction materials.

“(C) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means—

“(i) a State;

“(ii) the District of Columbia; and

“(iii) the territory of an Indian tribe (as defined in section 102 of the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 5130)).

“(D) UNITED STATES.—The term ‘United States’ means each of the States.

“(2) REQUIREMENT.—Except as provided in paragraphs (3) and (4), and subject to paragraph (5), no funds provided under a covered program shall be used for a project for the

construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water or wastewater system unless all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States.

“(3) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the requirement under paragraph (2) on a case-by-case basis if the Secretary—

“(A) receives a request for a waiver under this subsection;

“(B) makes available to the public on an informal basis a copy of the request and information available to the Secretary concerning the request, including by electronic means, including on the official public website of the Department of Agriculture; and

“(C) allows for informal public input on the request for not less than 15 days prior to making a determination on the request.

“(4) EXEMPTION.—Paragraph (2) shall not apply with respect to a project for which the engineering plans and specifications include the use of iron and steel products otherwise prohibited by that paragraph if the plans and specifications have received required approvals from State agencies prior to the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018.

“(5) INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.—This subsection shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements.

“(6) FUNDING.—Of the funds appropriated for a fiscal year for the Rural Utilities Service-Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Account, the Secretary may use not more than 0.25 percent to carry out management and oversight under this subsection.”.

SA 3106. Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. COONS, and Mr. ISAKSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2301(2), strike subparagraph (A) and insert the following:

(A) by striking “to make beneficial, cost effective changes to production systems (including conservation practices related to organic production)” and inserting “to address identified, new, or expected resource concerns associated with changes to production systems, including conservation practices related to organic production”; and

In section 2302, strike paragraph (3) and insert the following:

(3) in paragraph (2) (as so redesignated), in subparagraph (B)—

(A) by redesignating clause (vi) as clause (vii);

(B) by inserting after clause (v) the following:

“(vi) Land that facilitates the avoidance of crossing an environmentally sensitive area, as determined by the Secretary.”; and

(C) in clause (vii) (as so redesignated), by inserting “identified or expected” before “resource”;

SA 3107. Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Ms. WARREN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle D of title I, add the following:

SEC. 141. DIRECT PAYMENTS FOR DAIRY FARMERS.

Subtitle D of title I of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9051 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“PART IV—DIRECT PAYMENTS FOR DAIRY FARMERS

“SEC. 1441. DIRECT PAYMENTS FOR DAIRY FARMERS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this part, the Secretary shall provide a 1-time payment to each eligible dairy farmer described in subsection (b) in accordance with this section.

“(b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a payment under this section, a dairy farmer shall—

“(1) be licensed by the Secretary; and

“(2) have had a production history during the 1-year period ending on the date of enactment of this part.

“(c) AMOUNT OF PAYMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount of a payment under this section shall be, as determined by the report of the Economic Research Service entitled ‘Milk Cost of Production by Size of Operation Report’ and dated May 1, 2018, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing—

“(A) the product obtained by multiplying—

“(i) the quantity (in pounds) of the national average milk production of a dairy cow;

“(ii) the average number of cows per farm, as determined under paragraph (2);

“(iii) the value of production less total costs, as determined under paragraph (3); and

“(iv) $\frac{1}{2}$; and

“(B) 100.

“(2) AVERAGE NUMBER OF COWS PER FARM.—The average number of cows per farm under paragraph (1)(A)(ii) shall be determined based on the report described in paragraph (1) as follows:

“(A) In the case of a farm with fewer than 50 cows, the national average number of cows per farm in farms with fewer than 50 cows.

“(B) In the case of a farm with not fewer than 50 cows and not greater than 199 cows, the national average number of cows per farm in farms with not fewer than 50 cows and not greater than 199 cows.

“(C) In the case of a farm with not fewer than 200 cows and not greater than 499 cows, the national average number of cows per farm in farms with not fewer than 200 cows and not greater than 499 cows.

“(D) In the case of a farm with not fewer than 500 cows, the national average number of cows per farm in farms with not fewer than 500 cows.

“(3) VALUE OF PRODUCTION LESS TOTAL COSTS.—The value of production less total costs under paragraph (1)(A)(iii) shall be determined based on the report described in paragraph (1) as follows:

“(A) In the case of a farm with fewer than 50 cows, the national value of production less total costs in farms with fewer than 50 cows.

“(B) In the case of a farm with not fewer than 50 cows and not greater than 199 cows, the national value of production less total costs in farms with not fewer than 50 cows and not greater than 199 cows.

“(C) In the case of a farm with not fewer than 200 cows and not greater than 499 cows, the national value of production less total costs in farms with not fewer than 200 cows and not greater than 499 cows.

“(D) In the case of a farm with not fewer than 500 cows, the national value of production less total costs in farms with not fewer than 500 cows.

“(d) PAYMENT LIMITATION.—The amount of a payment under this section to an eligible

dairy farmer described in subsection (b) shall not be greater than \$15,000.

“(e) FUNDING.—Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use to carry out this section \$500,000,000.”.

SA 3108. Mrs. GILLIBRAND submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. URGENT REGULATORY RESPONSE FOR HONEYBEE AND POLLINATOR PROTECTION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (referred to in this section as the “Administrator”) shall suspend the registration of imidacloprid, clothianidin, thiamethoxam, dinotafuran, and any other members of the nitro group of neonicotinoid insecticides to the extent that the insecticide is registered, conditionally or otherwise, under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.) for use in seed treatment, soil application, or foliar treatment on bee-attractive plants, trees, and cereals until the Administrator has made a determination that the insecticide will not cause unreasonable adverse effects on pollinators based on—

(1) an evaluation of the published and peer-reviewed scientific evidence on whether the use or uses of those neonicotinoids cause unreasonable adverse effects on pollinators, including native bees, honeybees, birds, bats, and other species of beneficial insects; and

(2) a completed field study that—

(A) meets the criteria required by the Administrator; and

(B) evaluates residues, including residue buildup after repeated annual application, chronic low-dose exposure, cumulative effects of multiple chemical exposures, and any other protocol determined to be necessary by the Administrator to protect managed and native pollinators.

(b) CONDITIONS ON CERTAIN PESTICIDES REGISTRATIONS.—Notwithstanding section 3 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136a), for purposes of the protection of honeybees, other pollinators, and beneficial insects, the Administrator shall not issue any new registrations, conditional or otherwise, for any seed treatment, soil application, and foliar treatment on bee-attractive plants, trees, and cereals under that Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.) until the Administrator has made a determination under subsection (a), based on an evaluation under subsection (a)(1) and a completed field study under subsection (a)(2), with respect to that insecticide.

(c) MONITORING OF NATIVE BEES.—The Secretary of the Interior, in coordination with the Administrator, shall, for purposes of protecting and ensuring the long-term viability of native bees and other pollinators of agricultural crops, horticultural plants, wild plants, and other plants—

(1) regularly monitor the health and population status of native bees, including the status of native bees in agricultural and non-agricultural habitats and areas of ornamental plants, residential areas, and landscaped areas;

(2) identify the scope and likely causes of unusual native bee mortality; and

(3) beginning not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act and each year thereafter, submit to Congress, and make available to the public, a report on the health and population status described in paragraph (1).

SA 3109. Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 6105, insert the following:

SEC. 6106. BUSINESS AND INNOVATION SERVICES ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

Section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)) (as amended by section 6105) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(28) BUSINESS AND INNOVATION SERVICES ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES.—The Secretary may make loans and loan guarantees under this subsection and grants under paragraphs (19), (20), and (21) for essential community facilities for business and innovation services, such as incubators, co-working spaces, makerspaces, and residential entrepreneur and innovation centers.”.

After section 6123, insert the following:

SEC. 6124. RURAL INNOVATION STRONGER ECONOMY GRANT PROGRAM.

Subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 3791. RURAL INNOVATION STRONGER ECONOMY GRANT PROGRAM.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible entity’ means a rural jobs accelerator partnership established after the date of enactment of this section that—

“(A) organizes key community and regional stakeholders into a working group that—

“(i) focuses on the shared goals and needs of the industry clusters that are objectively identified as existing, emerging, or declining;

“(ii) represents a region defined by the partnership in accordance with subparagraph (B);

“(iii) includes 1 or more representatives of—

“(I) an institution of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001));

“(II) a private entity; or

“(III) a government entity;

“(iv) may include 1 or more representatives of—

“(I) an economic development or other community or labor organization;

“(II) a financial institution, including a community development financial institution (as defined in section 103 of the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (12 U.S.C. 4702));

“(III) a philanthropic organization; or

“(IV) a rural cooperative, if the cooperative is organized as a nonprofit organization; and

“(v) has, as a lead applicant—

“(I) a District Organization (as defined in section 300.3 of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation));

“(II) an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)), or a consortium of Indian tribes;

“(III) a State or a political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a

State or local government engaged in economic development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions;

“(IV) an institution of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)) or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or

“(V) a public or private nonprofit organization; and

“(B) subject to approval by the Secretary, may—

“(i) serve a region that is—

“(I) a single jurisdiction; or

“(II) if the region is a rural area, multi-jurisdictional; and

“(ii) define the region that the partnership represents, if the region—

“(I) is large enough to contain critical elements of the industry cluster prioritized by the partnership;

“(II) is small enough to enable close collaboration among members of the partnership;

“(III) includes a majority of communities that are located in—

“(aa) a nonmetropolitan area that qualifies as a low-income community (as defined in section 45D(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986); and

“(bb) an area that has access to or has a plan to achieve broadband service (within the meaning of title VI of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 950bb et seq.)); and

“(IV)(aa) has a population of 50,000 or fewer inhabitants; or

“(bb) for a region with a population of more than 50,000 inhabitants, is the subject of a positive determination by the Secretary with respect to a rural-in-character petition, including such a petition submitted concurrently with the application of the partnership for a grant under this section.

“(2) **INDUSTRY CLUSTER.**—The term ‘industry cluster’ means a broadly defined network of interconnected firms and supporting institutions in related industries that accelerate innovation, business formation, and job creation by taking advantage of assets and strengths of a region in the business environment.

“(3) **HIGH-WAGE JOB.**—The term ‘high-wage job’ means a job that provides a wage that is greater than the median wage for the applicable region, as determined by the Secretary.

“(4) **JOBS ACCELERATOR.**—The term ‘jobs accelerator’ means a jobs accelerator center or program located in or serving a low-income rural community that may provide co-working space, in-demand skills training, entrepreneurship support, and any other services described in subsection (d)(1)(B).

“(5) **SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS.**—The term ‘small and disadvantaged business’ has the meaning given the term ‘small business concern owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals’ in section 8(d)(3)(C) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(3)(C)).

“(b) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall establish a grant program under which the Secretary shall award grants, on a competitive basis, to eligible entities to establish jobs accelerators, including related programming, that—

“(A) improve the ability of distressed rural communities to create high-wage jobs, accelerate the formation of new businesses with high-growth potential, and strengthen regional economies, including by helping to build capacity in the applicable region to achieve those goals; and

“(B) help rural communities identify and maximize local assets and connect to regional opportunities, networks, and industry

clusters that demonstrate high growth potential.

“(2) **COST-SHARING.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The Federal share of the cost of any activity carried out using a grant made under paragraph (1) shall be not greater than 80 percent.

“(B) **IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.**—The non-Federal share of the total cost of any activity carried out using a grant made under paragraph (1) may be in the form of donations or in-kind contributions of goods or services fairly valued.

“(3) **SELECTION CRITERIA.**—In selecting eligible entities to receive grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall consider—

“(A) the commitment of participating core stakeholders in the jobs accelerator partnership, including a demonstration that—

“(i) investment organizations, including venture development organizations, venture capital firms, revolving loan funders, angel investment groups, community lenders, community development financial institutions, rural business investment companies, small business investment companies (as defined in section 103 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 662)), philanthropic organizations, and other institutions focused on expanding access to capital, are committed partners in the jobs accelerator partnership and willing to potentially invest in projects emerging from the jobs accelerator; and

“(ii) institutions of higher education, applied research institutions, workforce development entities, and community-based organizations are willing to partner with the jobs accelerator to provide workers with skills relevant to the industry cluster needs of the region, with an emphasis on the use of on-the-job training, registered apprenticeships, customized training, classroom occupational training, or incumbent worker training;

“(B) the ability of the eligible entity to provide the non-Federal share as required under paragraph (2);

“(C) the speed of available broadband service and how the jobs accelerator plans to improve access to high-speed broadband service, if necessary, and leverage that broadband service for programs of the jobs accelerator;

“(D) the identification of a targeted industry cluster, including a description of—

“(i) data showing the existence of emergence of an industry cluster;

“(ii) the importance of the industry cluster to economic growth in the region;

“(iii) the specific needs and opportunities for growth in the industry cluster;

“(iv) the unique assets a region has to support the industry cluster and to have a competitive advantage in that industry cluster;

“(v) evidence of a concentration of firms or concentration of employees in the industry cluster; and

“(vi) available industry-specific infrastructure that supports the industry cluster;

“(E) the ability of the partnership to link rural communities to markets, networks, industry clusters, and other regional opportunities and assets—

“(i) to improve the competitiveness of the rural region;

“(ii) to repatriate United States jobs;

“(iii) to foster high-wage job creation;

“(iv) to support innovation and entrepreneurship; and

“(v) to promote private investment in the rural regional economy;

“(F) other grants or loans of the Secretary and other Federal agencies that the jobs accelerator would be able to leverage; and

“(G) prospects for the proposed center and related programming to have sustainability beyond the full maximum length of assist-

ance under this subsection, including the maximum number of renewals.

“(4) **GRANT TERM AND RENEWALS.**—

“(A) **TERM.**—The initial term of a grant under paragraph (1) shall be 4 years.

“(B) **RENEWAL.**—The Secretary may renew a grant under paragraph (1) for an additional period of not longer than 2 years if the Secretary is satisfied, using the evaluation under subsection (e)(2), that the grant recipient has successfully established a jobs accelerator and related programming.

“(5) **GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION.**—To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretary shall provide grants under paragraph (1) for jobs accelerators and related programming in not fewer than 25 States at any time.

“(c) **GRANT AMOUNT.**—A grant awarded under subsection (b) may be in an amount equal to—

“(1) not less than \$500,000; and

“(2) not more than \$2,000,000.

“(d) **USE OF FUNDS.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to paragraph (2), funds from a grant awarded under subsection (b) may be used—

“(A) to construct, purchase, or equip a building to serve as an innovation center, which may include—

“(i) housing for business owners or workers;

“(ii) co-working space, which may include space for remote work;

“(iii) space for businesses to utilize with a focus on entrepreneurs and small and disadvantaged businesses but that may include collaboration with companies of all sizes;

“(iv) job training programs; and

“(v) efforts to utilize the innovation center as part of the development of a community downtown; or

“(B) to support programs to be carried out at, or in direct partnership with, the jobs accelerator that support the objectives of the jobs accelerator, including—

“(i) linking rural communities to markets, networks, industry clusters, and other regional opportunities to support high-wage job creation, new business formation, and economic growth;

“(ii) integrating small businesses into a supply chain;

“(iii) creating or expanding commercialization activities for new business formation;

“(iv) identifying and building assets in rural communities that are crucial to supporting regional economies;

“(v) facilitating the repatriation of high-wage jobs to the United States;

“(vi) supporting the deployment of innovative processes, technologies, and products;

“(vii) enhancing the capacity of small businesses in regional industry clusters, including small and disadvantaged businesses;

“(viii) increasing United States exports and business interaction with international buyers and suppliers;

“(ix) developing the skills and expertise of local workforces, entrepreneurs, and institutional partners to support growing industry clusters, including the upskilling of incumbent workers;

“(x) ensuring rural communities have the capacity and ability to carry out projects relating to housing, community facilities, infrastructure, or community and economic development to support regional industry cluster growth;

“(xi) establishing training programs to meet the needs of employers in a regional industry cluster and prepare workers for high-wage jobs; or

“(xii) any other activities that the Secretary may determine to be appropriate.

“(2) **REQUIREMENT.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to subparagraph (B), not more than 10 percent of a grant awarded under subsection (b) shall be used

for indirect costs associated with administering the grant.

“(B) INCREASE.—The Secretary may increase the percentage described in subparagraph (A) on a case-by-case basis.

“(e) ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT AND EVALUATION.—Not later than 1 year after receiving a grant under this section, and annually thereafter for the duration of the grant, an eligible entity shall—

“(1) report to the Secretary on the activities funded with the grant; and

“(2)(A) evaluate the progress that the eligible entity has made toward the strategic objectives identified in the application for the grant; and

“(B) measure that progress using performance measures during the project period, which may include—

“(i) high-wage jobs created;

“(ii) high-wage jobs retained;

“(iii) private investment leveraged;

“(iv) businesses improved;

“(v) new business formations;

“(vi) new products or services commercialized;

“(vii) improvement of the value of existing products or services under development;

“(viii) regional collaboration, as measured by such metrics as—

“(I) the number of organizations actively engaged in the industry cluster;

“(II) the number of symposia held by the industry cluster, including organizations that are not located in the immediate region defined by the partnership; and

“(III) the number of further cooperative agreements;

“(ix) the number of education and training activities relating to innovation;

“(x) the number of jobs relocated from outside of the United States to the region;

“(xi) the amount and number of new equity investments in industry cluster firms;

“(xii) the amount and number of new loans to industry cluster firms;

“(xiii) the dollar increase in exports resulting from the project activities;

“(xiv) the percentage of employees for which training was provided;

“(xv) improvement in sales of participating businesses;

“(xvi) improvement in wages paid at participating businesses;

“(xvii) improvement in income of participating workers; or

“(xviii) any other measure the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

“(f) INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish an interagency Federal task force to support the network of jobs accelerators by—

“(A) providing successful applicants with available information and technical assistance on Federal resources relevant to the project and region;

“(B) establishing a Federal support team comprised of staff from participating agencies in the task force that shall provide coordinated and dedicated support services to jobs accelerators; and

“(C) providing opportunities for the network of jobs accelerators to share best practices and further collaborate to achieve the purposes of this section.

“(2) MEMBERSHIP.—The task force established under paragraph (1) shall—

“(A) be co-chaired by—

“(i) the Secretary of Commerce (or a designee); and

“(ii) the Secretary (or a designee); and

“(B) include—

“(i) the Secretary of Education (or a designee);

“(ii) the Secretary of Energy (or a designee);

“(iii) the Secretary of Health and Human Services (or a designee);

“(iv) the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (or a designee);

“(v) the Secretary of Labor (or a designee);

“(vi) the Secretary of Transportation (or a designee);

“(vii) the Secretary of the Treasury (or a designee);

“(viii) the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (or a designee);

“(ix) the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (or a designee);

“(x) the Federal Co-Chair of the Appalachian Regional Commission (or a designee);

“(xi) the Federal Co-Chairman of the Board of the Delta Regional Authority (or a designee);

“(xii) the Federal Co-Chair of the Northern Border Regional Commission (or a designee);

“(xiii) national and local organizations that have relevant programs and interests that could serve the needs of the jobs accelerators;

“(xiv) representatives of State and local governments or State and local economic development agencies;

“(xv) representatives of institutions of higher education, including land-grant universities; and

“(xvi) such other heads of Federal agencies and non-Federal partners as determined appropriate by the co-chairs of the task force.”.

Strike section 6125 and insert the following:

SEC. 6125. RURAL BUSINESS INVESTMENT PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 384A of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking “VENTURE”; and

(B) by striking “venture”; and

(2) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the following:

“(4) EQUITY CAPITAL.—The term ‘equity capital’ means—

“(A) common or preferred stock or a similar instrument, including subordinated debt with equity features; and

“(B) any other type of equity-like financing that might be necessary to facilitate the purposes of this Act, excluding financing such as senior debt or other types of financing that competes with routine loanmaking of commercial lenders.”.

(b) PURPOSES.—Section 384B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-1) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “venture”; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “venture”; and

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “venture capital investments in smaller enterprises” and inserting “capital investments in business concerns, including smaller enterprises”.

(c) SELECTION OF RURAL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—Section 384D(b)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-3(b)(1)) is amended by striking “developmental venture” and inserting “developmental”.

(d) FEES.—Section 384G of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-6) is amended—

(1) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking “a fee that does not exceed \$500” each place it appears and inserting “such fees as the Secretary considers appropriate, so long as those fees are proportionally equal for each rural business investment company,”; and

(2) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (B), by striking “solely to cover the costs of licensing examinations” and inserting “as the Secretary considers appropriate”; and

(B) by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting the following:

“(C) shall be in such amounts as the Secretary considers appropriate.”.

(e) LIMITATION ON RURAL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES CONTROLLED BY FARM CREDIT SYSTEM INSTITUTIONS.—Section 384J(c) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-9(c)) is amended—

(1) by striking “25” and inserting “50”; and

(2) by striking “shall not provide” and inserting “shall provide”; and

(3) by inserting before the period at the end the following: “, if the percentage of financing (in total dollars) to the non-eligible entities does not exceed the percentage of non-Farm Credit System institution capital commitments to the rural business investment company”.

(f) FLEXIBILITY ON SOURCES OF INVESTMENT OR CAPITAL.—Section 384J(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-9(a)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(2) by striking the subsection designation and heading and all that follows through “Except as” in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated) and inserting the following:

“(a) INVESTMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) LIMITATION ON REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary may not require that an entity described in paragraph (1) provide investment or capital that is not required of other companies eligible to apply to operate as a rural business investment company under section 384D(a).”.

SA 3110. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SCHATZ, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 4303, insert the following:

SEC. 4304. MICRO-GRANTS FOR FOOD SECURITY.

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 is amended by inserting after section 4405 (7 U.S.C. 7517) the following:

“SEC. 4406. MICRO-GRANTS FOR FOOD SECURITY.

“(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to increase the quantity and quality of locally grown food through small-scale gardening, herding, and livestock operations in food insecure communities in areas of the United States that have significant levels of food insecurity and import a significant quantity of food.

“(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible entity’ means an entity that—

“(A) is—

“(i) an individual;

“(ii) an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)) or a consortium of Indian tribes;

“(iii) a nonprofit organization engaged in increasing food security, as determined by the Secretary, including—

“(I) a religious organization;

“(II) a food bank; and

“(III) a food pantry;

“(iv) a federally funded educational facility, including—

“(I) a Head Start program or an Early Head Start program carried out under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.);

“(II) a public elementary school or public secondary school;

“(III) a public institution of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001));

“(IV) a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059c(b))); and

“(V) a job training program; or

“(v) a local or Tribal government that may not levy local taxes under State or Federal law; and

“(B) is located in an eligible State.

“(2) ELIGIBLE STATE.—The term ‘eligible State’ means—

“(A) the State of Alaska;

“(B) the State of Hawaii;

“(C) American Samoa;

“(D) the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands;

“(E) the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;

“(F) the Federated States of Micronesia;

“(G) Guam;

“(H) the Republic of the Marshall Islands;

“(I) the Republic of Palau; and

“(J) the United States Virgin Islands.

“(c) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall distribute funds to the agricultural department or agency of each eligible State for the competitive distribution of subgrants to eligible entities to increase the quantity and quality of locally grown food in food insecure communities, including through small-scale gardening, herding, and livestock operations.

“(d) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount made available under subsection (g), the Secretary shall distribute—

“(A) 40 percent to the State of Alaska;

“(B) 40 percent to the State of Hawaii; and

“(C) 2.5 percent to each insular area described in subparagraphs (C) through (J) of subsection (b)(2).

“(2) CARRYOVER OF FUNDS.—Funds distributed under paragraph (1) shall remain available until expended.

“(3) ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS.—An eligible State that receives funds under paragraph (1) may use not more than 3 percent of those funds—

“(A) to administer the competition for providing subgrants to eligible entities in that eligible State;

“(B) to provide oversight of the subgrant recipients in that eligible State; and

“(C) to collect data and submit a report to the Secretary under subsection (f)(2).

“(e) SUBGRANTS TO ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—

“(1) AMOUNT OF SUBGRANTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The amount of a subgrant to an eligible entity under this section shall be—

“(i) in the case of an eligible entity that is an individual, not greater than \$5,000 per year; and

“(ii) in the case of an eligible entity described in clauses (ii) through (v) of subsection (b)(1)(A), not greater than \$10,000 per year.

“(B) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—As a condition of receiving a subgrant under this section, an eligible entity shall provide funds equal to 10 percent of the amount received by the eligible entity under the subgrant, to be derived from non-Federal sources.

“(C) CARRYOVER OF FUNDS.—Funds received by an eligible entity that is awarded a subgrant under this section shall remain available until expended.

“(2) PRIORITY.—In carrying out the competitive distribution of subgrants under subsection (c), an eligible State may give priority to an eligible entity that—

“(A) has not previously received a subgrant under this section; or

“(B) is located in a community or region in that eligible State with the highest degree of food insecurity, as determined by the agricultural department or agency of the eligible State.

“(3) PROJECTS.—An eligible State may provide subgrants to 2 or more eligible entities to carry out the same project.

“(4) USE OF SUBGRANT FUNDS BY ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An eligible entity that receives a subgrant under this section shall use the funds to engage in activities that will increase the quantity and quality of locally grown food, including by—

“(A) purchasing gardening tools or equipment, soil, soil amendments, seeds, plants, animals, canning equipment, refrigeration, or other items necessary to grow and store food;

“(B) purchasing or building composting units;

“(C) purchasing or building towers designed to grow leafy green vegetables;

“(D) expanding an area under cultivation or engaging in other activities necessary to be eligible to receive funding under the environmental quality incentives program established under chapter 4 of subtitle D of title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa et seq.) for a high tunnel;

“(E) engaging in an activity that extends the growing season;

“(F) starting or expanding hydroponic and aeroponic farming of any scale;

“(G) building, buying, erecting, or repairing fencing for livestock, poultry, or reindeer;

“(H) purchasing and equipping a slaughter and processing facility approved by the Secretary;

“(I) travelling to participate in agricultural education provided by—

“(i) a State cooperative extension service;

“(ii) a land-grant college or university (as defined in section 1404 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3103));

“(iii) a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059c(b)));

“(iv) an Alaska Native-serving institution or a Native Hawaiian-serving institution (as those terms are defined in section 317(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b))); or

“(v) a Federal or State agency;

“(J) paying for shipping of purchased items relating to increasing food security;

“(K) creating or expanding avenues for—

“(i) the sale of food commodities, specialty crops, and meats that are grown by the eligible entity for sale in the local community; or

“(ii) the availability of fresh, locally grown, and nutritious food; and

“(L) engaging in other activities relating to increasing food security (including subsistence), as determined by the Secretary.

“(5) ELIGIBILITY FOR OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—An eligible entity shall not be ineligible to receive financial assistance under another program administered by the Secretary as a result of receiving a subgrant under this section.

“(f) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—

“(1) SUBGRANT RECIPIENTS.—As a condition of receiving a subgrant under this section, an eligible entity shall submit to the eligible State in which the eligible entity is located a report—

“(A) as soon as practicable after the end of the project; and

“(B) that describes the quantity of food grown and the number of people fed as a result of the subgrant.

“(2) REPORT TO THE SECRETARY.—Not later than 120 days after the date on which an eligible State receives a report from each eligible entity in that State under paragraph (1),

the eligible State shall submit to the Secretary a report that describes, in the aggregate, the information and data contained in the reports received from those eligible entities.

“(g) FUNDING.—

“(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2019 and each fiscal year thereafter, to remain available until expended.

“(2) APPROPRIATIONS IN ADVANCE.—Only funds appropriated under paragraph (1) in advance specifically to carry out this section shall be available to carry out this section.

“(h) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section takes effect on the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018.”

SA 3111. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle III of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 43. SERVICE OF TRADITIONAL FOODS IN PUBLIC FACILITIES.

Section 4033 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (25 U.S.C. 1685) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c), by striking “that primarily serve Indians”; and

(2) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “and a tribal organization” and inserting “a tribal organization, a State, a county or county equivalent, a local government, an operator of a food service program, and an entity or person authorized to facilitate the donation, storage, preparation, or serving of traditional food by the operator of a food service program”.

SA 3112. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4102(a), redesignate paragraph (3) as paragraph (4).

In section 4102(a), strike paragraph (2) and insert the following:

(2) by striking paragraph (5) and inserting the following:

“(5) TRADITIONAL FOOD PURCHASES.—Subject to the availability of appropriations to carry out this paragraph, the Secretary shall purchase, subject to availability, bison meat, reindeer meat, wild salmon, and other traditional indigenous foods for recipients of food distributed under this subsection, including—

“(A) bison meat and reindeer meat from—

“(i) Native American bison or reindeer producers; and

“(ii) producer-owned cooperatives of bison and reindeer ranchers;

“(B) wild salmon from an eligible entity described in section 305(i)(1)(D) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1855(i)(1)(D));

“(C) blue cornmeal; and

“(D) wild rice.”

(3) in paragraph (6)(F), by striking “\$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008

through 2018” and inserting “\$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023”; and

SA 3113. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 7102, insert the following:

SEC. 7103. AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SUPPORT IN CERTAIN STATES.

Section 1405 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3121) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(A) by striking “sciences, and the Secretary, in carrying out the Secretary’s responsibilities,” and inserting the following: “sciences.

“(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the responsibilities of the Secretary under this section, the Secretary”; and

(B) by striking “The Department” and inserting the following:

“(a) DESIGNATION OF DEPARTMENT AS LEAD AGENCY.—The Department”;

(2) in subsection (b) (as so designated)—

(A) in paragraph (11), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) by redesignating paragraph (12) as paragraph (13); and

(C) by inserting before paragraph (13) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(12) provide direct, place-based assistance to 1862 Institutions (as defined in section 2 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7601)) and State agricultural agencies in States that do not have Agricultural Research Service facilities—

“(A) to address the research priorities of those States, such as invasive plant species and insects that cause significant impacts to agriculture, aquaculture, and communities in the States; and

“(B) to assist in the development of specialty and horticultural crops to increase food security and expand marketing opportunities for small farmers; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(c) PLANNING REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that describes the plans of the Secretary to provide the assistance required under subsection (b)(12).”.

SA 3114. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title XI, add the following:

SEC. 111. SUPPLEMENTAL AGRICULTURAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE.

Section 531(a)(12) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1531(a)(12)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (F), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) by redesignating subparagraph (G) as subparagraph (H); and

(3) by inserting after subparagraph (F) the following:

“(G) reindeer raised for food by members of an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)); and”.

SA 3115. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. INCLUSION OF REINDEER UNDER FEDERAL MEAT INSPECTION ACT.

Section 1(w) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601(w)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

“(2) reindeer;”.

SA 3116. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 10107, redesignate paragraphs (2) through (6) as paragraphs (3) through (7), respectively.

In section 10107, after paragraph (1), insert the following:

(2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “\$100,000” and inserting “\$500,000”.

SA 3117. Ms. MURKOWSKI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, insert the following:

SEC. 125. COMMODITY PROMOTION, RESEARCH, AND INFORMATION.

Section 513(1) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7412(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “(including peonies)” after “horticultural”;

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “livestock;” and inserting “livestock (including reindeer);”;

(3) by redesignating subparagraphs (E) through (G) as subparagraphs (F) through (H), respectively; and

(4) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the following:

“(E) products derived from wild salmon;”.

SA 3118. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal

year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle E of title VII, add the following:

SEC. 75. GEOGRAPHICALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS AND RANCHERS.

Section 1621(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8792(d)) is amended—

(1) by striking “There are” and all that follows through “necessary” and inserting “There is authorized to be appropriated \$15,000,000”; and

(2) by striking “2009” and inserting “2019”.

SA 3119. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. DEFINITION OF WILD FISH.

Section 281(7)(B) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1638(7)(B)) is amended—

(1) by striking “includes a fillet” and inserting the following: “includes—

“(i) a fillet”;

(2) in clause (i) (as so designated), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii)(I) whole cooked king crab and whole cooked tanner crab; and

“(II) sections of cooked king crab and cooked tanner crab.”.

SA 3120. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. MARKET NAME FOR GENETICALLY ENGINEERED SALMON.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for purposes of applying the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), the acceptable market name of any salmon that is genetically engineered shall include the words “Genetically Engineered” or “GE” before the existing acceptable market name.

(b) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, salmon is genetically engineered if it has been modified by recombinant DNA (rDNA) techniques, including the entire lineage of salmon that contain the rDNA modification.

SA 3121. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. DEFINITION OF FISH.

The Secretary shall revise any regulation relating to the definition of the term “fish” to ensure that the definition includes any aquatic gilled animal, and any mollusk, crustacean, or other invertebrate, that exists in the wild or is produced under controlled conditions in ponds, lakes, streams, or similar holding areas.

SA 3122. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. ORGANIC CERTIFICATION OF WILD SEAFOOD.

Section 2107(c) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6506(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “harvested in a sustainable manner under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.)” after “seafood”;

(2) by striking the subsection designation and heading and all that follows through “requiring” in paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

“(c) WILD SEAFOOD.—Notwithstanding the requirement under subsection (a)(1)(A) that”; and

(3) by striking paragraph (2).

SA 3123. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 12520. TRIBAL UNINHABITABLE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Title V of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1471 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 545. TRIBAL UNINHABITABLE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

“(1) the term ‘eligible entity’ means an Indian tribe or a tribal organization located in a rural area that has high levels of overcrowded housing and homelessness; and

“(2) the term ‘tribal organization’ has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Educational Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

“(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to improve living conditions and prevent homelessness in rural tribal communities by assessing the condition of existing housing resources and preventing those resources from deteriorating and becoming uninhabitable.

“(c) AUTHORIZATION OF GRANTS.—The Secretary shall award grants on a competitive basis to Indian tribes and tribal organizations to repair overcrowded homes to prevent the homes from becoming uninhabitable.

“(d) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this section, the Secretary may give priority to an eligible entity that is located in a community with levels of overcrowded housing and homelessness that the Secretary determines are among the highest such levels for communities in which eligible entities are located.

“(e) USE OF MULTIPLE GRANTS FOR SAME PROJECT.—Multiple eligible entities that each receive a grant under this section may use the grants for the same project.

“(f) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The Secretary may use not more than 3 percent of the amounts made available to carry out this section to—

“(1) administer the competition for grants under this section;

“(2) provide oversight of grantees; and

“(3) collect data on the use of grants awarded under this section.

“(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2019 and each fiscal year thereafter.

“(h) RELATION TO OTHER USDA ASSISTANCE.—Receipt of a grant under this section by an eligible entity shall not affect the eligibility of the entity for any other assistance from the Secretary.”.

SA 3124. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VI, add the following:

SEC. 62. INCLUSION OF SATELLITE IN RURAL BROADBAND SERVICES.

Section 601(b)(1) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 950b(b)(1)) is amended—

(1) by striking “The term” and inserting the following:

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) INCLUSION.—The term ‘broadband service’ includes a satellite project or technology with the capacity described in subparagraph (A), as determined by the Secretary.”.

SA 3125. Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4115 redesignate subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (e) and (f).

In section 4115 insert after subsection (c) the following:

(d) FOOD DONATION STANDARDS.—Section 203D of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7507) (as amended by subsection (c)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) FOOD DONATION STANDARDS.—

“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

“(A) APPARENTLY WHOLESOME FOOD.—The term ‘apparently wholesome food’ has the meaning given the term in section 22(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1791(b)).

“(B) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ‘institution of higher education’

has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002).

“(C) QUALIFIED DIRECT DONOR.—The term ‘qualified direct donor’ means a retail food store, wholesaler, agricultural producer, restaurant, caterer, school food authority, or institution of higher education.

“(2) GUIDANCE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, the Secretary shall issue guidance to promote awareness of donations of apparently wholesome food protected under section 22(c) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1791(c)) by qualified direct donors in compliance with applicable State and local health, food safety, and food handling laws (including regulations).

“(B) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary shall encourage State agencies and emergency feeding organizations to share the guidance issued under subparagraph (A) with qualified direct donors.”.

SA 3126. Mrs. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4106, redesignate paragraphs (1) through (3) as paragraphs (2) through (4), respectively.

In section 4106, insert before paragraph (2) (as so redesignated) the following:

(1) in paragraph (6), by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

“(B) personnel of the State agency or, at the option of the State agency, through a contract with the State agency, personnel of an entity that has no direct or indirect financial interest in an approved retail food store, may undertake the certification under subparagraph (A) or carry out any other function of the State agency under the supplemental nutrition assistance program, without restriction by the Secretary on the use of nongovernmental employees by the State agency to perform program eligibility or any other administrative function to carry out that program.”;

SA 3127. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. EXTENDING PROHIBITION ON ANIMAL FIGHTING TO UNITED STATES TERRITORIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 26 of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2156) is amended—

(1) by striking the section designation and heading and all that follows through “paragraph (3), it” in subsection (a)(1) and inserting the following:

“SEC. 26. ANIMAL FIGHTING.

“(a) SPONSORING OR EXHIBITING ANIMAL IN, ATTENDING, OR CAUSING UNDERAGE INDIVIDUAL TO ATTEND, ANIMAL FIGHTING VENTURE.—

“(1) SPONSORING OR EXHIBITING.—It”;

(2) in subsection (a), by striking paragraph (3);

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) by striking “subsection (e)” and inserting “subsection (d)”;

(B) by inserting “or” before “promoting”;

(4) by striking subsection (d);

(5) by redesignating subsections (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j) as subsections (d), (e), (i), (f), (g), and (h), respectively, and moving the subsections so as to appear in alphabetical order;

(6) in subsection (e) (as so redesignated), in the third sentence, by striking “paragraph (f)” and inserting “subsection”;

(7) in subsection (h) (as so redesignated), by striking “(e)” and inserting “(d)”;

(8) in paragraph (3) of subsection (i) (as so redesignated), by adding “and” at the end.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 49(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking “(e) of section 26 of the Animal Welfare Act” and inserting “(d) of section 26 of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2156)”.

SA 3128. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. GARDNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 654, strike line 14 and insert the following:

deer populations.

“(15) HOP PLANT HEALTH INITIATIVE.—Research and extension grants may be made under this section for the purposes of developing and disseminating science-based tools and treatments to combat diseases of hops caused by the plant pathogens *Podospheera macularis* and *Pseudoperonospora humuli*.”.

SA 3129. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 43. PROCUREMENT OF UNPROCESSED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Section 6(f) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(f)) is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by striking “PILOT PROJECT” and inserting “PROGRAM”;

(2) by striking “pilot project” each place it appears and inserting “program”;

(3) in paragraph (1), by striking “shall conduct” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting “shall carry out a program to facilitate the procurement of domestically grown unprocessed fruits and vegetables in not fewer than 15 States receiving funds under this Act.”;

(4) in paragraph (2), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by inserting “domestically grown,” before “unprocessed”;

(5) in paragraph (3)(B), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “1 project is” and inserting “2 projects are”;

(6) in paragraph (4)—

(A) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) the demonstrated ability of the States to competitively procure domestically grown, unprocessed fruits and vegetables.”;

and

(7) in paragraph (5)—

(A) by striking the paragraph heading and inserting “RECORDKEEPING, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND EVALUATION”;

(B) in subparagraph (B)—

(i) in clause (i), by striking “and” at the end;

(ii) in clause (ii), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(iii) the assessment of the challenges and opportunities presented by the program; and

“(iv) the quantity of fruits and vegetables purchased from in-State producers.

“(C) PROGRAM EVALUATION.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Using the information provided to the Secretary under subparagraphs (A) and (B), the Secretary shall periodically evaluate the program—

“(I) to measure the impact of the program; and

“(II) to assess barriers to implementation of the program, such as water, environmental conditions, infrastructure, labor, utilities, and State and local regulations.

“(ii) REQUIREMENT.—In carrying out an evaluation under clause (i), the Secretary shall include an evaluation of schools that, before February 7, 2014, were permitted to operate cash in lieu of commodities programs.

“(iii) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report describing the results of the first evaluation under clause (i), including a thorough analysis of the outcomes of the evaluation.”.

SA 3130. Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 7212, insert the following:

SEC. 7213. REGIONAL CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE.
Section 1673 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5926) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by inserting “REGIONAL” before “CENTERS”;

(2) by inserting “regional” before “center” each place it appears;

(3) in subsection (a)—

(A) by inserting “regional” before “centers”;

(B) by striking “The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) REQUIREMENT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in considering proposals submitted by regional centers of excellence for funding described in paragraph (1), the Secretary—

“(A) shall review and evaluate the proposal based on a regional focus; and

“(B) shall not decline to provide funding or rank the proposal lower based on the regional focus of the proposal.”; and

(4) in subsection (c), in the subsection heading, by inserting “REGIONAL” before “CENTERS”.

SA 3131. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by

her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 6105, insert the following:

SEC. 6106. WATER OR WASTE DISPOSAL GRANTS OR DIRECT OR GUARANTEED LOANS.

(a) ASSISTANCE FOR UNSERVED AND UNDERSERVED RURAL COMMUNITIES.—Section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)) (as amended by section 6105) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(28) ASSISTANCE FOR UNSERVED AND UNDERSERVED RURAL COMMUNITIES.—

“(A) DEFINITION OF UNSERVED OR UNDERSERVED RURAL COMMUNITY.—In this paragraph, the term ‘unserved or underserved rural community’ means a rural area that, as determined by the Secretary, lacks the technical, financial, organizational, and managerial capacity to adequately operate, maintain, and effectively serve the population of the rural area.

“(B) WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL DIRECT LOANS.—The Secretary may make water and waste disposal direct loans under paragraph (1) to eligible entities described in subparagraph (C) at the interest rate applicable to areas where the median family income is below the poverty line, as determined under section 307(a)(3)(A), for projects for unserved or underserved rural communities.

“(C) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive a direct loan under subparagraph (B), an applicant shall be a contiguous or local utility outside of the unserved or underserved rural community to be served by the project funded by the direct loan that, as determined by the Secretary—

“(i) has a demonstrated experience and capacity in delivering water programs or wastewater programs under this Act;

“(ii) demonstrates the capacity to provide service to the applicable unserved or underserved rural community;

“(iii) demonstrates that—

“(I) the project funded by the direct loan is solely for the purpose of serving the applicable unserved or underserved rural community; and

“(II) the maximum financial benefit of the assistance under this paragraph will be conferred to that unserved or underserved rural community; and

“(iv) demonstrates that the applicable unserved or underserved rural community—

“(I) has willingly entered into a formal agreement with the applicant for service by the applicant; and

“(II) entered into the agreement described in subclause (I) with the understanding that the unserved or underserved rural community is eligible for water and waste disposal direct loans under paragraph (1) independently of any direct loan under this paragraph.”.

(b) DIRECT AND GUARANTEED LOANS.—Section 343(a)(13)(B) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1991(a)(13)(B)) is amended—

(1) by striking “For the purpose” and inserting the following:

“(i) GRANTS AND DIRECT LOANS.—For the purpose”;

(2) in clause (i) (as so designated)—

(A) by striking “and guaranteed”;

(B) by striking “(24)” and inserting “(28)”;

and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii) GUARANTEED LOANS.—For the purpose of water and waste disposal guaranteed loans provided under paragraphs (1) and (24) of section 306(a), the terms ‘rural’ and ‘rural area’

mean a city, town, or unincorporated area that has a population of not more than 50,000 inhabitants.”.

(C) FUNDING OF PENDING RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN AND GRANT APPLICATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall use funds made available under subsection (b) to provide funds for applications that are pending on the date of enactment of this Act in accordance with the terms and conditions of section 6029 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-246; 122 Stat. 1955).

(2) FUNDING.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning in fiscal year 2019, of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use to carry out this section \$150,000,000, to remain available until expended.

SA 3132. Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86. REPORT ON WILDFIRE, INSECT INFESTATION, AND DISEASE PREVENTION ON FEDERAL LAND.

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act and every year thereafter, the Secretary and the Secretary of Interior shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a joint written report on—

(1) the number of acres of Federal land treated by the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior, as applicable, for wildfire, insect infestation, or disease prevention;

(2) the number of acres of Federal land categorized as a high or extreme fire risk;

(3) the total timber production from Federal land;

(4) the number of acres and average fire intensity of wildfires affecting Federal land treated for wildfire, insect infestation, or disease prevention;

(5) the number of acres and average fire intensity of wildfires affecting Federal land not treated for wildfire, insect infestation, or disease prevention; and

(6) the Federal response time for each fire on greater than 25,000 acres.

SA 3133. Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 8408 and insert the following:

SEC. 8408. DESIGNATION OF TREATMENT AREAS.

(a) INCLUSION OF INVASIVE VEGETATION IN DESIGNATED TREATMENT AREAS.—Section 602 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591a) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, invasive vegetation,” after “insect”; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, invasive vegetation,” after “insects”;

(2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “, invasive vegetation,” after “insect”;

(3) in subsection (c)(2), by inserting “, or invasive vegetation” after “Service”; and

(4) in subsection (d)(1), by inserting “, invasive vegetation,” after “insect”.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR DESIGNATION OF TREATMENT AREAS.—Section 602 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591a) is amended by striking subsection (f).

SA 3134. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2103, strike subsections (b) and (c) and insert the following:

(b) SPECIFIED ACTIVITIES PERMITTED.—Section 1233(b) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3833(b)) is amended—

(1) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (5);

(2) by redesignating paragraph (4) as subparagraph (C) and indenting appropriately;

(3) by inserting before subparagraph (C) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(B) harvesting, grazing, or other commercial use of the forage, without any reduction in the rental rate, in response to—

“(i) drought;

“(ii) flooding;

“(iii) a state of emergency caused by drought or wildfire that—

“(I) that is declared by the Governor, in consultation with the State Committee of the Farm Service Agency, of the State in which the land that is subject to a contract under the conservation reserve program is located;

“(II) that covers any part of the State or the entire State; and

“(III) the declaration of which under subclause (I) is not objected to by the Secretary during the 5 business days after the date of declaration; or

“(iv) any other emergency, as determined by the Secretary.”;

(4) in the matter preceding subparagraph (B) (as so designated), by striking “The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”;

(5) in paragraph (1) (as so designated)—

(A) by inserting before subparagraph (B) (as so designated) the following:

“(A) consistent with the conservation of soil, water quality, and wildlife habitat—

“(i) managed harvesting and other commercial use (including the managed harvesting of biomass), in exchange for a reduction in the annual rental rate of 25 percent for the acres covered by the activity, except that in permitting those activities, the Secretary, in consultation with the State technical committee established under section 1261(a) for the applicable State, shall—

“(I) develop appropriate vegetation management requirements;

“(II) subject harvesting to restrictions during the primary nesting season for birds in the area, as determined by the Secretary, in consultation with the State technical committee;

“(III) not allow harvesting to occur more frequently than once every 3 years on the same land; and

“(IV) not allow more than ⅓ of the acres covered by all of the conservation reserve program contracts of the owner or operator to be harvested during any year; and

“(ii) grazing, in exchange for a reduction in the annual rental rate of 25 percent for the acres covered by the activity, except that in

permitting that grazing, the Secretary, in consultation with the State technical committee established under section 1261(a) for the applicable State, shall—

“(I) develop appropriate vegetation management requirements and stocking rates, based on stocking rates under the livestock forage disaster program established under section 1501(c) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9081(c)) (referred to in this subsection as the ‘livestock forage disaster program’), for the land that are suitable for continued grazing;

“(II) identify the periods during which grazing may be conducted, taking into consideration regional differences, such as—

“(aa) climate, soil type, and natural resources;

“(bb) the appropriate frequency and duration of grazing activities; and

“(cc) how often during a year in which grazing is permitted that grazing should be allowed to occur;

“(III) not allow grazing to occur more frequently than once every 3 years on the same land;

“(IV)(aa) in the case of a conservation reserve program contract that covers more than 20 acres, not allow more than ⅓ of the acres covered by all of the conservation reserve program contracts of the owner or operator to be grazed during any year; or

“(bb) in the case of a conservation reserve program contract that covers less than or equal to 20 acres, allow grazing on all of the land covered by the contract at 25 percent of the stocking rate permitted under the livestock forage disaster program; and

“(V) allow a veteran or beginning farmer or rancher to graze livestock without any reduction in the rental rate; and”;

(B) in subparagraph (C) (as so redesignated), by striking “; and” and inserting a period; and

(6) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) RESTRICTIONS AND CONDITIONS.—Paragraph (1)(A) shall be subject to the following restrictions and conditions:

“(A) SEVERE OR HIGHER INTENSITY DROUGHT.—Land located in a county that has been rated by the United States Drought Monitor as having a D2 (severe drought) or greater intensity for not less than 1 month during the normal grazing period established under the livestock forage disaster program for the 3 previous consecutive years shall be ineligible for harvesting or grazing under paragraph (1)(A) for that year.

“(B) DAMAGE TO VEGETATIVE COVER.—The Secretary, in coordination with the applicable State technical committee established under section 1265(a), may determine for any year that harvesting or grazing under paragraph (1)(A) shall not be permitted on land subject to a contract under the conservation reserve program in a particular county if harvesting or grazing for that year would cause long-term damage to the vegetative cover on that land.

“(C) STATE ACRES FOR WILDLIFE ENHANCEMENT.—The Secretary, in consultation with the State technical committee established under section 1261(a) for the applicable State, may allow grazing or harvesting in accordance with paragraph (1)(A) on land covered by a contract enrolled under the State acres for wildlife enhancement program established by the Secretary or established under section 1231(j) through the duration of that contract, if grazing or harvesting is specifically permitted under the applicable State acres for wildlife enhancement program agreement for that contract.

“(D) CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM.—The Secretary, in consultation with the State technical committee established under section 1261(a) for the applicable State, may allow grazing or harvesting

under paragraph (1)(A) to be conducted on land covered by a contract enrolled under the conservation reserve enhancement program established by the Secretary under this subchapter or under section 1231A, if grazing or harvesting is specifically permitted under the applicable conservation reserve enhancement program agreement for that contract.”

(C) HARVESTING AND GRAZING.—Section 1233 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3833) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(e) HARVESTING AND GRAZING.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation with the State technical committee established under section 1261(a) for the applicable State, may permit harvesting and grazing in accordance with subsection (b) on any land subject to a contract under the conservation reserve program.

“(2) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary, in coordination with the applicable State technical committee established under section 1261(a), may determine for any year that harvesting or grazing described in paragraph (1) shall not be permitted on land subject to a contract under the conservation reserve program in a particular county, or under a particular practice, if harvesting or grazing for that year in that county or under that practice, as applicable, would cause long-term damage to vegetative cover on that land.”.

SA 3135. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 573, strike lines 8 and 9 and insert the following:

“(C) EMERGING HARBOR PROJECTS PRIORITY.—In addition to the priority given under subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall give equal priority to an application for a project that would increase the availability of broadband service in an emerging harbor project (as defined in section 210 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2238)), without regard to whether the application is from an emerging harbor project.

“(D) IDENTIFICATION OF UNSERVED COMMUNITIES.—

SA 3136. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86 ____ . FOREST INCENTIVES PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CARBON INCENTIVES CONTRACT; CONTRACT.—The term “carbon incentives contract” or “contract” means a 15- to 30-year contract that specifies—

(A) the eligible practices that will be undertaken;

(B) the acreage of eligible land on which the practices will be undertaken;

(C) the agreed rate of compensation per acre;

(D) a schedule to verify that the terms of the contract have been fulfilled; and

(E) such other terms as are determined necessary by the Secretary.

(2) CONSERVATION EASEMENT AGREEMENT; AGREEMENT.—The term “conservation easement agreement” or “agreement” means a permanent conservation easement that—

(A) covers eligible land that will not be converted for development;

(B) is enrolled under a carbon incentives contract; and

(C) is consistent with the guidelines for—

(i) the Forest Legacy Program established under section 7 of the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2103c), subject to the condition that an eligible practice shall be considered to be a conservation value for purposes of such consistency; or

(ii) any other program approved by the Secretary for use under this section to provide consistency with Federal legal requirements for permanent conservation easements.

(3) ELIGIBLE LAND.—The term “eligible land” means forest land in the United States that is privately owned at the time of initiation of a carbon incentives contract or conservation easement agreement.

(4) ELIGIBLE PRACTICE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term “eligible practice” means a forestry practice, including improved forest management that produces marketable forest products, that is determined by the Secretary to provide measurable increases in carbon sequestration and storage beyond customary practices on comparable land.

(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “eligible practice” includes—

(i) afforestation on nonforested land, such as marginal crop or pasture land, windbreaks, shelterbelts, stream buffers, including working land and urban forests and parks, or other areas identified by the Secretary;

(ii) reforestation on forest land impacted by wildfire, pests, wind, or other stresses, including working land and urban forests and parks;

(iii) improved forest management, with appropriate crediting for the carbon benefits of harvested wood products, through practices such as improving regeneration after harvest, planting in understocked forests, reducing competition from slow-growing species, thinning to encourage growth, changing rotations to increase carbon storage, improving harvest efficiency or wood use; and

(iv) such other practices as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(5) FOREST INCENTIVES PROGRAM; PROGRAM.—The term “forest incentives program” or “program” means the forest incentives program established under subsection (b)(1).

(b) SUPPLEMENTAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTIONS IN UNITED STATES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a forest incentives program to achieve supplemental greenhouse gas emission reductions and carbon sequestration on private forest land of the United States through—

(A) carbon incentives contracts; and

(B) conservation easement agreements.

(2) PRIORITY.—In selecting projects under this subsection, the Secretary shall provide a priority for contracts and agreements—

(A) that sequester the most carbon on a per acre basis, with appropriate crediting for the carbon benefits of harvested wood products; and

(B) that create forestry jobs or protect habitats and achieve significant other environmental, economic, and social benefits.

(3) ELIGIBILITY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—To participate in the program, an owner of eligible land shall—

(i) enter into a carbon incentives contract; and

(ii) fulfill such other requirements as the Secretary determines to be necessary.

(B) CONTINUED ELIGIBLE PRACTICES.—An owner of eligible land who has been carrying out eligible practices on the eligible land shall not be barred from entering into a carbon incentives contract under this subsection to continue carrying out the eligible practices on the eligible land.

(C) DURATION OF CONTRACT.—A contract shall be for a term of not less than 15, nor more than 30, years, as determined by the owner of eligible land.

(D) COMPENSATION UNDER CONTRACT.—The Secretary shall determine the rate of compensation per acre under the contract so that the longer the term of the contract, the higher rate of compensation.

(E) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS.—An owner or operator shall not be prohibited from participating in the program due to participation of the owner or operator in other Federal or State conservation assistance programs.

(4) COMPLIANCE.—In developing regulations for carbon incentives contracts under this subsection, the Secretary shall specify requirements to address whether the owner of eligible land has completed contract and agreement requirements.

(C) INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide to owners of eligible land financial incentive payments for—

(A) eligible practices that measurably increase carbon sequestration and storage over a designated period on eligible land, with appropriate crediting for the carbon benefits of harvested wood products, as specified through a carbon incentives contract; and

(B) subject to paragraph (2), conservation easements on eligible land covered under a conservation easement agreement.

(2) COMPENSATION.—The Secretary shall determine the amount of compensation to be provided under a contract under this subsection based on the emissions reductions obtained or avoided and the duration of the reductions, with due consideration to prevailing carbon pricing as determined by any relevant or State compliance offset programs.

(3) NO CONSERVATION EASEMENT AGREEMENT REQUIRED.—Eligibility for financial incentive payments under a carbon incentives contract described in paragraph (1)(A) shall not require a conservation easement agreement.

(d) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue regulations that specify eligible practices and related compensation rates, standards, and guidelines as the basis for entering into the program with owners of eligible land.

(e) SET-ASIDE OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—At the discretion of the Secretary, a portion of program funds made available under this program for a fiscal year may be used—

(A) to develop forest carbon modeling and methodologies that will improve the projection of carbon gains for any forest practices made eligible under the program;

(B) to provide additional incentive payments for specified management activities that increase the adaptive capacity of land under a carbon incentives contract; and

(C) for the Forest Inventory and Analysis Program of the Forest Service to develop improved measurement and monitoring of forest carbon stocks.

(2) PROGRAM COMPONENTS.—In establishing the program, the Secretary shall provide that funds provided under this section shall not be substituted for, or otherwise used as a basis for reducing, funding authorized or appropriated under other programs to compensate owners of eligible land for activities that are not covered under the program.

(f) PROGRAM MEASUREMENT, MONITORING, VERIFICATION, AND REPORTING.—

(1) MEASUREMENT, MONITORING, AND VERIFICATION.—The Secretary shall establish and implement protocols that provide monitoring and verification of compliance with the terms of contracts and agreements.

(2) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—At least annually, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that contains—

(A) an estimate of annual and cumulative reductions achieved as a result of the program, determined using standardized measures, including measures of economic efficiency;

(B) a summary of any changes to the program that will be made as a result of program measurement, monitoring, and verification;

(C) the total number of acres enrolled in the program by method; and

(D) a State-by-State summary of the data.

(3) AVAILABILITY OF REPORT.—Each report required by this subsection shall be available to the public through the website of the Department of Agriculture.

(4) PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS.—At least once every 2 years the Secretary shall adjust eligible practices and compensation rates for future carbon incentives contracts based on the results of monitoring under paragraph (1) and reporting under paragraph (2), if determined necessary by the Secretary.

(5) ESTIMATING CARBON BENEFITS.—Any modeling, methodology, or protocol resource developed under this section—

(A) shall be suitable for estimating carbon benefits associated with eligible practices for the purpose of incentives under this section; and

(B) may be used for netting by States or emission sources under Federal programs relating to carbon emissions.

(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as are necessary.

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. MATERIAL CHOICES IN BUILDINGS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTIONS IN UNITED STATES.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE BUILDING.—The term “eligible building” means a nonresidential building used for commercial or State or local government purposes.

(2) ELIGIBLE PRODUCT.—The term “eligible product” means a commercial or industrial product, such as an intermediate, feedstock, or end product (other than food or feed), that is composed in whole or in part of biological products, including renewable agricultural and forestry materials used as structural building material.

(3) PROGRAM.—The term “program” means the greenhouse gas incentives program established under this section.

(b) SUPPLEMENTAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTIONS IN BUILDINGS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a greenhouse gas incentives program to achieve supplemental greenhouse gas emission reductions from material choices in buildings, based on the lifecycle assessment of the building materials.

(2) FINANCIAL INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.—The Secretary shall provide to owners of eligible buildings incentive payments for the use of eligible products in buildings for sequestering carbon based on a lifecycle assessment of the structural assemblies, as compared to a model building as a result of using eligible products in substitution for more energy-intensive materials in—

- (A) new construction; or
- (B) building renovation.

(c) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to participate in the program, the owner of an eligible building shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(2) COMPONENTS.—In establishing the program, the Secretary shall require that payments for activities under the program shall be—

(A) established at a rate not to exceed the net estimated benefit an owner of an eligible building would receive for similar practices under any federally established carbon offset program, taking into consideration the costs associated with the issuance of credits and compliance with reversal provisions;

(B) provided to owners of eligible buildings demonstrating at least a 20-percent reduction in carbon emissions potential, based on a lifecycle assessment of the structural assemblies, as compared to the structural assemblies of a model building, subject to the requirements that—

(i) the Secretary shall identify a model baseline nonresidential building—

(I) of common size and function; and

(II) having a service life of not less than 60 years; and

(ii) applicants shall evaluate the carbon emissions potential of the baseline building and the proposed building using the same lifecycle assessment software tool and data sets, which shall be compliant with the document numbered ISO 14044; and

(C) provided on certification by the owner of an eligible building and verification by the Secretary, after consultation with the Secretary of Energy, that—

(i) the eligible building meets the requirements of the applicable State commercial building energy efficiency code (as in effect on the date of the applicable permit of the eligible building); and

(ii) the State has made the certification required pursuant to section 304 of the Energy Conservation and Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6833).

(3) INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.—A participant in the program shall receive payment under the program on completion of construction or renovation of the applicable eligible building.

(d) REPORTS.—Not less frequently than once each year, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that contains—

(1) an estimate of annual and cumulative reductions achieved as a result of the program—

(A) determined by using lifecycle assessment software that is compliant with the document numbered ISO 14044; and

(B) expressed in terms of the total number of cars removed from the road;

(2) a summary of any changes to the program that will be made as a result of past implementation of the program; and

(3) the total number of buildings under carbon incentives contracts as of the date of the report.

(e) ANALYTICAL REQUIREMENTS.—For purposes of this section—

(1) any carbon emissions potential calculation shall—

(A) be performed in accordance with standard lifecycle assessment practice; and

(B) include removal and sequestration of carbon dioxide from the use of biobased products, as well as recycled content materials;

(2) a full lifecycle assessment shall be conducted taking into consideration all lifecycle stages, including—

- (A) resource extraction and processing;
- (B) product manufacturing;
- (C) onsite construction of assemblies;
- (D) transportation;

(E) maintenance and replacement cycles over an assumed eligible building service life of 60 years; and

(F) demolition;

(3) structural assemblies shall be considered to include columns, beams, girders, purlins, floor deck, roof, and structural envelope elements;

(4) primary materials shall be considered to include common products used as the structural system, such as wood, steel, concrete, or masonry; and

(5) the effects of recycling, reuse, or energy recovery beyond the boundaries of an applicable study system shall not be taken in account.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section.

SA 3137. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. KING) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 9112 and insert the following:

SEC. 9112. COMMUNITY WOOD ENERGY AND WOOD INNOVATION PROGRAM.

Section 9013 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8113) is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 9013. COMMUNITY WOOD ENERGY AND WOOD INNOVATION PROGRAM.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) COMMUNITY WOOD ENERGY SYSTEM.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘community wood energy system’ means an energy system that—

“(i) produces useful—

“(I) thermal energy; or

“(II) combined thermal energy and electricity, where thermal energy is the primary energy produced;

“(ii) services—

“(I) public facilities owned or operated by State or local governments, including schools, town halls, libraries, and other public buildings; or

“(II) private or nonprofit facilities, including commercial and business facilities, such as hospitals, office buildings, apartment buildings, and manufacturing and industrial buildings; and

“(iii) uses woody biomass, including residuals from wood processing facilities, as the primary fuel.

“(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘community wood energy system’ includes—

“(i) single facility central heating systems;

“(ii) district heating systems serving multiple buildings;

“(iii) combined heat and electric systems, where thermal energy is the primary energy produced; and

“(iv) other related biomass energy systems, as determined by the Secretary.

“(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible entity’ means—

“(A) a State;

“(B) a local government;

“(C) a nonprofit entity; or

“(D) a private commercial entity.

“(3) ELIGIBLE PROJECT.—The term ‘eligible project’ means a project described in subsection (b)(2).

“(4) INNOVATIVE WOOD PRODUCT FACILITY.—The term ‘innovative wood product facility’ means a manufacturing or processing plant or mill that produces—

“(A) building components or systems that use large panelized wood construction, including mass timber;

“(B) wood products derived from nanotechnology or other new technology processes, as determined by the Secretary; or

“(C) other innovative wood products that use wood that is low-value and low-quality, as determined by the Secretary (referred to in this section as ‘low-value, low-quality wood’).

“(5) MASS TIMBER.—The term ‘mass timber’ includes—

“(A) cross-laminated timber;

“(B) nail laminated timber;

“(C) glue laminated timber;

“(D) laminated strand lumber; and

“(E) laminated veneer lumber.

“(6) SECRETARY.—The term Secretary means the Secretary, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service.

“(b) GRANT PROGRAM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a program, to be known as the ‘Community Wood Energy and Wood Innovation Program’, to provide to eligible entities grants to carry out eligible projects described in paragraph (2).

“(2) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity that receives a grant under paragraph (1) shall use the grant to install a community wood energy system or to build an innovative wood product facility in an area in which the market for low-value, low-quality wood used by the community wood energy system or innovative wood product facility has declined.

“(B) LIMITATION.—An eligible entity that receives a grant under paragraph (1) may only use the grant to install a community wood energy system that does not exceed a nameplate capacity of 10 megawatts of thermal energy or combined thermal and electric energy.

“(3) SELECTION OF GRANT RECIPIENTS.—

“(A) APPLICATIONS.—An eligible entity desiring a grant under paragraph (1) shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a detailed plan that describes the engineering and design work to be carried out for the proposed eligible project.

“(B) SELECTION.—The Secretary shall award grants under paragraph (1) on a competitive basis, taking into account—

“(i) the energy efficiency of the proposed eligible project;

“(ii) the cost effectiveness of the proposed eligible project;

“(iii) whether the proposed eligible project represents best-in-class commercially available technology;

“(iv) whether the applicant has demonstrated a high likelihood of the eligible project succeeding, as demonstrated in the plan required as part of the application under subparagraph (A); and

“(v) other technical, economic, conservation, and environmental criteria that the Secretary considers appropriate.

“(C) PRIORITIZATION.—In selecting eligible entities for grants under subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall give priority to applicants proposing eligible projects that—

“(i) are located in areas in which markets are needed for the low-value, low-quality wood;

“(ii) are located in areas with limited access to natural gas pipelines;

“(iii) include the use or retrofitting of existing sawmill facilities located in counties in which the average annual unemployment rate exceeded the national average unemployment rate by greater than 1 percent in the previous calendar year; or

“(iv) are located in areas in which markets will aid with forest restoration.

“(c) FUNDING REQUIREMENTS.—

“(1) CAP ON CAPITAL COSTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the total installed capital cost of an eligible project that receives a grant under subsection (b)(1) shall not exceed \$1,000,000.

“(B) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary may award a grant to an eligible entity for an eligible project the total installed capital cost of which exceeds the cap described in subparagraph (A) but does not exceed \$1,500,000 if, as determined by the Secretary, special circumstances warrant such a grant, such as the eligible project being carried out at a school or hospital located in a low-income community.

“(2) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS.—

“(A) FEDERAL SHARE.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), the Federal share of the installed capital cost of an eligible project carried out by an eligible entity that receives a grant under subsection (b)(1) shall be not greater than 35 percent.

“(ii) EXCEPTION.—The Federal share of the installed capital cost of an eligible project carried out by an eligible entity that receives a grant under subsection (b)(1) may be not greater than 50 percent if the Secretary determines that special circumstances warrant such a Federal share, such as the eligible project being carried out at a school or hospital located in a low-income community.

“(B) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The non-Federal share of the installed capital cost of an eligible project carried out by an eligible entity that receives a grant under subsection (b)(1) shall be not less than the Federal share provided under clause (i) or (ii) of subparagraph (A), as applicable.

“(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than December 31, 2019, and not less frequently than once every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate, the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives a report that—

“(1) analyzes the impact of the Community Wood Energy and Wood Innovation Program on supporting market investments in low-value, low-quality wood; and

“(2) identifies specific opportunities and measures necessary to enhance support for low-value, low-quality wood.

“(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023, to remain available until expended.

“(2) LIMITATION.—The Secretary may use not greater than 25 percent of amounts made available under paragraph (1) to make grants to eligible entities to build innovative wood product facilities, unless the Secretary has received no other appropriate applications for grants to install community wood energy systems.”.

SA 3138. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title XI, add the following:

SEC. 11. LIMITATION ON PAYMENT OF PORTION OF PREMIUM BY CORPORATION.

Section 508(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(9) LIMITATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the total amount of premium paid by the Corporation on behalf of a person or legal entity, directly or indirectly, with respect to all policies issued to the person or legal entity under this title for a crop year shall be limited to a maximum of \$125,000.

“(B) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAW.—To the maximum extent practicable, the Corporation shall carry out this paragraph in accordance with section 1001 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308).”.

SA 3139. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FLAKE, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HELLER, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KAINE, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. WARNER, and Ms. WARREN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 1301 (relating to the sugar program) and insert the following:

SEC. 1301. SUGAR PROGRAM.

(a) LOAN RATES.—Section 156 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7272) is amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) and inserting the following:

“(a) SUGARCANE.—The Secretary shall make loans available to processors of domestically grown sugarcane at a rate equal to—

“(1) 18.75 cents per pound for raw cane sugar for the 2018 crop year; and

“(2) 18.00 cents per pound for raw cane sugar for the 2019 through 2023 crop years.

“(b) SUGAR BEETS.—The Secretary shall make loans available to processors of domestically grown sugar beets at a rate equal to 128.5 percent of the loan rate per pound of raw cane sugar for the applicable crop year under subsection (a) for each of the 2018 through 2023 crop years.”.

(b) AVOIDING FORFEITURES WHILE ENSURING ADEQUATE SUPPLIES AT REASONABLE PRICES.—Section 156(f) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7272(f)) is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by inserting “WHILE ENSURING ADEQUATE SUPPLIES AT REASONABLE PRICES” after “FORFEITURES”; and

(2) in paragraph (1), by inserting “ensure adequate supplies of sugar at reasonable prices and” after “shall”.

(c) EFFECTIVE PERIOD.—Section 156(i) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7272(i)) is amended by striking “2018” and inserting “2023”.

SEC. 1302. ADMINISTRATION OF TARIFF-RATE QUOTAS.

Part VII of subtitle B of title III of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359aa et seq.) is amended to read as follows:

“PART VII—SUGAR

“SEC. 359. ADMINISTRATION OF TARIFF-RATE QUOTAS.

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, at the beginning

of fiscal year 2019 and each fiscal year thereafter through the end of the effective period described in subsection (d), the Secretary shall establish the tariff-rate quotas for raw cane sugar and refined sugar to provide adequate supplies of sugar at reasonable prices, but at no less than the minimum level necessary to comply with obligations under international trade agreements that have been approved by Congress.

“(b) ADJUSTMENT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary shall adjust tariff-rate quotas established under subsection (a) in such a manner as to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, that stocks of raw cane and refined beet sugar are adequate throughout the crop year to meet the needs of the marketplace, including the efficient utilization of cane refining capacity.

“(c) TRANSFER OF QUOTA SHARES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall promulgate regulations that—

“(A) promote full use of the tariff-rate quotas for raw cane sugar and refined sugar and ensure adequate supplies for cane refiners in the United States; and

“(B) provide that any country that has been allocated a share of the quotas may temporarily transfer all or part of the share to any other country that has also been allocated a share of the quotas.

“(2) TRANSFERS VOLUNTARY.—Any transfer under this subsection shall be valid only pursuant to a voluntary agreement between the transferor and the transferee, consistent with procedures established by the Secretary.

“(3) LIMITATIONS ON TRANSFERS WITH RESPECT TO FISCAL YEAR.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Any transfer under this subsection shall be valid only for the duration of the fiscal year during which the transfer is made.

“(B) FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR.—No transfer under this subsection shall affect the share of the quota allocated to the transferor or transferee for the following fiscal year.

“(d) EFFECTIVE PERIOD.—This section shall be effective for fiscal years only through the 2023 crop year for sugar.”

Strike section 9109 (relating to the feedstock flexibility program for bioenergy producers) and insert the following:

SEC. 9109. FEEDSTOCK FLEXIBILITY PROGRAM FOR BIOENERGY PRODUCERS TERMINATION.

Section 9010 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8110) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(c) TERMINATION.—The Secretary may not carry out the feedstock flexibility program under subsection (b) for the 2019 or subsequent crops of eligible commodities.”

SA 3140. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

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

SEC. 4. SENIORS FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4402(e) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 3007(e)) is amended—

(1) by striking “The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law (including regulations), the maximum amount of benefits an individual is eligible to receive under the program under this section shall be \$100 per year.”

(b) REGULATION LIMITATION INVALID.—Effective beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the \$50 maximum Federal benefit limitation contained in section 249.8(b) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on that date of enactment), shall have no force or effect.

SA 3141. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4103(a)(1), redesignate subparagraphs (A) and (B) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively.

In section 4103(a)(1), insert before subparagraph (B) (as so redesignated) the following:

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “over the age of 15 and under the age of 60” and inserting “over the age of 18 and under the age of 62”;

(II) in clause (iv), by inserting “, in accordance with subparagraph (D)(iii)” before the semicolon;

(III) in clause (v)(II), by striking “30 hours per week; or” and inserting “80 hours per month for a period of not fewer than 300 days during a calendar year”; and

(IV) in clause (vi), by striking “20.” and inserting the following: “20; or

“(vii) fails to secure income or earnings of at least \$736 per month, as indexed for United States dollar inflation from the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (as measured by the Consumer Price Index), for a period of not fewer than 300 days during a calendar year.”;

(ii) in subparagraph (C)—

(I) in each of clauses (i) through (iii), by inserting “during a single, short-term period” after “program under subparagraph (A)” each place it appears;

(II) in each of clauses (i) and (ii), by redesignating subclauses (I) through (III) as items (aa) through (cc), respectively, and indenting the items appropriately;

(III) in clause (iii), by redesignating subclauses (I) through (IV) as items (aa) through (dd), respectively, and indenting the items appropriately;

(IV) by redesignating clauses (i) through (iii) as subclauses (II) through (IV), respectively, and indenting the subclauses appropriately;

(V) by inserting before subclause (II) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(i) SINGLE, SHORT-TERM PERIOD.—

“(I) DEFINITION OF SINGLE, SHORT-TERM PERIOD.—In this clause, the term ‘single, short-term period’ means a period of not more than 90 consecutive days during any 1 calendar year.”; and

(VI) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii) LONGER-TERM PERIOD.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—An individual who becomes ineligible to participate in the supplemental nutrition assistance program under subparagraph (A) for a period of longer than 90 consecutive days during a single calendar year shall remain ineligible to participate in that program for the duration of that calendar year.

“(II) REAPPLICATION.—An individual who is ineligible to participate in the supplemental

nutrition assistance program under subclause (I) for the duration of a calendar year may submit an application to participate in the program beginning on January 1 of the following calendar year.”; and

(iii) in subparagraph (D)(iii)—

(I) in the clause heading, by striking “DETERMINATION BY” and inserting “AUTHORITY OF”;

(II) in subclause (II), by striking “may not use a meaning” and inserting the following: “may not—

“(aa) establish any standard or requirement that is less stringent than a comparable standard or requirement in effect under this subsection; or

“(bb) use a meaning”;

(III) by adding at the end the following:

“(III) REPORTING AND EVALUATIONS.—Each State agency shall establish procedures by which, not less frequently than once each month—

“(aa) individuals in the applicable State who are receiving benefits under the supplemental nutrition assistance program shall submit to the State agency documentation sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the work requirements of this subsection; and

“(bb) the State agency shall evaluate the activities carried out by individuals to achieve compliance with those requirements.

“(IV) EFFECT OF SUBSECTION.—Nothing in this subsection prevents a State agency from establishing a standard, requirement, meaning, procedure, or determination that is more stringent than a comparable standard, requirement, meaning, procedure, or determination in effect under this subsection.”;

In section 4103(a)(1), in subparagraph (B) (as so redesignated), strike clauses (iii) and (iv) and insert the following:

(iii) by striking “(E) employed” and all that follows through “half-time basis.” and inserting the following:

“(v) for a period of not fewer than 300 days during a calendar year—

“(I) employed a minimum of 80 hours per month; or

“(II) receiving monthly earnings equal to not less than \$736, as indexed for United States dollar inflation from the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (as measured by the Consumer Price Index);

“(vi) an elderly or disabled member of a household;

“(vii) a woman who—

“(I) is pregnant; or

“(II) gave birth during the preceding 60-day period;

“(viii) certified by a medical professional as being—

“(I) incapacitated in the short term, including due to an acute medical condition; or

“(II) mentally or physically unfit to meet applicable work requirements; or

“(ix) during the period beginning on the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 and ending on December 31, 2018, under the age of 30.”;

In section 4103(a)(1), in subparagraph (B) (as so redesignated), redesignate clauses (v) through (ix) as clauses (iv) through (viii), respectively.

In section 4103(a)(1), in subparagraph (C) (as so redesignated), strike “(as amended by subparagraph (A))” and inserting “(as amended by subparagraphs (A) and (B))”.

In section 4103(b)(2), redesignate subparagraphs (D) and (E) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respectively.

In section 4103(b)(2), insert after subparagraph (C) the following:

(D) by inserting after subclause (IX) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(X) A community service program.”;

In section 4103(b)(3), strike subparagraph (C) and insert the following:

(C) adding at the end the following:

“(iii) APPLICATION TO WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIPS.—To the extent that a State agency requires an individual to participate in an employment and training program, the State agency shall consider an individual participating in a workforce partnership to be in compliance with the employment and training requirements.

“(iv) E-VERIFY.—The Secretary shall not approve an employment and training program of a State agency unless the Secretary determines that the employment and training program establishes and enforces a requirement that each participant in the employment and training program shall be permitted to engage in employment in the United States on the basis of the status of the participant, as determined under the employment verification system in effect under section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a).”;

SA 3142. Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Ms. WARREN, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. MURPHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 41 ____ . CALCULATION OF PROGRAM BENEFITS WITH REFERENCE TO LOW-COST FOOD PLAN.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(w) LOW-COST FOOD PLAN.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘low-cost food plan’ means the diet required to feed a family of 4 persons, consisting of a man and a woman 19 through 50 years old, a child 6 through 8 years old, and a child 9 through 11 years old, at a cost that is in the second quartile of food expenditures for those families in the United States, as determined by the Secretary.

“(2) UNIFORM USE FOR SMALL HOUSEHOLDS INCLUDING CHILDREN.—Subject to paragraph (3), the Secretary shall use the cost of the diet determined under paragraph (1) as the basis for uniform allotments for all small households that include 1 or more children not less than 5 and not greater than 17 years old (as determined on the first day of each month), regardless of the composition of such a household.

“(3) ADJUSTMENTS.—In determining the diet under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

“(A) make household-size adjustments (based on the unrounded cost of the diet), taking into account economies of scale;

“(B) make cost adjustments in the diet for the State of Hawaii and the urban and rural parts of the State of Alaska to reflect the cost of food in the State of Hawaii and urban and rural parts of the State of Alaska;

“(C) make cost adjustments in the separate low-cost food plans for Guam and the United States Virgin Islands to reflect the cost of food in those States, which shall not exceed the cost of food in the 50 States and the District of Columbia; and

“(D) on October 1, 2018, and each October 1 thereafter—

“(i) adjust the cost of the diet to reflect the cost of the diet in the preceding June; and

“(ii) round the cost determined under clause (i) to the nearest lower dollar increment.”.

(b) VALUE OF ALLOTMENT.—Section 8 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2017) is amended—

(1) by striking the section heading and all that follows through “(a) The value” and inserting the following:

“SEC. 8. VALUE OF ALLOTMENT.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—

“(1) DETERMINATION OF ALLOTMENT.—Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the value”; and

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1) (as so designated), by striking “dollar: Provided, That for households” and inserting the following: “dollar.

“(2) MINIMUM ALLOTMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), for a household”;;

(B) in paragraph (2) (as so designated), by adding at the end the following:

“(B) SMALL HOUSEHOLDS INCLUDING CHILDREN.—For a household of 1 or 2 persons, not fewer than 1 of which is a child not less than 5 and not greater than 17 years old (as determined on the first day of each month), the minimum allotment shall be 8 percent of the cost of the low-cost food plan for a household containing 1 member, as determined by the Secretary under section 3, rounded to the nearest whole dollar increment.”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(3) ADDITIONAL ALLOTMENT FOR CERTAIN HOUSEHOLDS INCLUDING CHILDREN.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2)(B), in the case of a household that includes 1 or more children not less than 5 and not greater than 17 years old (as determined on the first day of each month), a State agency shall issue an additional allotment to the household in an amount (rounded to the nearest lower whole dollar) equal to the sum of each of the amounts determined under subparagraph (B).

“(B) CALCULATION OF ALLOTMENT.—The amount of an additional allotment determined by the Secretary under subparagraph (A) shall be an amount equal to the difference (rounded to the nearest lower whole dollar) between—

“(i) the product obtained by multiplying—

“(I) the amount determined under paragraph (1), except by substituting ‘thrifty food plan’ in that paragraph with ‘low-cost food plan’; and

“(II) the quotient obtained by dividing—

“(aa) the number of children described in subparagraph (A); by

“(bb) the number of members of the household; and

“(ii) the product obtained by multiplying—

“(I) the amount determined under paragraph (1); and

“(II) the quotient obtained by dividing—

“(aa) the number of children described in subparagraph (A); by

“(bb) the number of members of the household.”.

(c) TOLERANCE LEVEL FOR EXCLUDING SMALL ERRORS.—Section 16(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2025(c)(1)(A)(ii)) is amended—

(1) in subclause (I), by striking “for fiscal year 2014, at an amount not greater than \$37” and inserting “for fiscal year 2018, at an amount not greater than \$50”; and

(2) in subclause (II), by striking “June 30, 2013” and inserting “June 30, 2018”;

(d) CONSOLIDATED BLOCK GRANTS FOR PUERTO RICO AND AMERICAN SAMOA.—Section 19(a)(2)(A) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2028(a)(2)(A)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i) by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in clause (ii)—

(A) by striking “each fiscal year thereafter” and inserting “each of fiscal years 2004 through 2018”; and

(B) by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(iii) for fiscal year 2019, \$2,011,992,716; and

“(iv) subject to the availability of appropriations under section 18(a), for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount determined under clause (iii), as adjusted by the percentage by which the thrifty plan has been adjusted under section 3(u)(4) between June 30, 2019, and June 30 of the immediately preceding fiscal year.”.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amendments made by this section take effect on October 1, 2018.

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125 ____ . GLOBAL INTANGIBLE LOW-TAXED INCOME ON A COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY BASIS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 951A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) DETERMINATION OF GLOBAL INTANGIBLE LOW-TAXED INCOME ON A COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY RATHER THAN AGGREGATE BASIS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the global intangible low-taxed income of any United States shareholder for any taxable year shall be determined separately with respect to each foreign country by taking into account such shareholder’s pro rata share of net CFC tested income and net deemed tangible income return which is properly allocable to such foreign country.

“(2) APPLICATION.—The Secretary shall take such actions as are necessary to provide for the application of this section, and any provision of this title to which this section relates, on a country-by-country rather than an aggregate basis.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years of foreign corporations beginning after December 31, 2017, and to taxable years of United States shareholders in which or with which such taxable years of foreign corporations end.

SA 3143. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125 ____ . NATIONAL BIOENGINEERED FOOD DISCLOSURE STANDARD.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 291(1)(A) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1639(1)(A)) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” at the end and inserting “or”;;

(2) by striking “modified through in vitro” and inserting the following: “modified through—

“(i) in vitro”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii) any other technique for the process of modification of genetic material, including Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR) and ribonucleic acid interference (RNAi); and”.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—Section 292 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1639a) is amended by striking subsection (c) and inserting the following:

“(c) APPLICATION TO FOODS.—This subtitle shall apply to any food that—

“(1) is bioengineered; or
 “(2) contains an ingredient that is bioengineered.”.

SA 3144. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title VI, add the following:

SEC. 63. RURAL ENERGY SAVINGS PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS.

Section 6407 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107a) (as amended by section 6302) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—
 (A) in paragraph (1)—
 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or” at the end;
 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and
 (iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) an entity comparable to an entity described in any of subparagraphs (A) through (C) that the Secretary determines provides energy efficiency services to rural consumers.”;

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “The term” and inserting the following:

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term”; and
 (ii) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) INCLUSION.—The term ‘energy efficiency measures’ includes the replacement of a manufactured home with another manufactured home if the eligible entity determines that the replacement would be cost-effective in increasing energy efficiency.”;

(C) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively;

(D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following:

“(3) MANUFACTURED HOME.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the term ‘manufactured home’ has the meaning given the term in section 982.4(b) of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations).

“(B) REQUIREMENT.—The term ‘manufactured home’ includes only an owner-occupied manufactured home that is located on land—
 “(i) that is owned by the owner of the manufactured home; or

“(ii) for which the owner of the manufactured home has a long-term lease arrangement that—

“(I) is not less than 2 years longer than the term of the applicable loan under this section; and

“(II) includes a predetermined rental rate agreement.”; and

(E) in paragraph (4) (as so redesignated), by striking “served by” and inserting “located in the service area of”; and

(2) in subsection (d)(1)(B), by inserting “(or not more than 20 years in the case of a loan for the replacement of a manufactured home with another manufactured home)” after “10 years”.

SA 3145. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 1706, insert the following:

SEC. 1707. STORAGE FACILITY LOANS FOR ORGANIC CROPS.

Section 1614(b)(3) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8789(b)(3)) is amended by inserting “(taking into account the applicable contract, organic, local, or other price of the commodity being stored under the loan)” after “loan”.

SEC. 11109. PRICE ELECTIONS FOR ORGANIC CROPS.

Section 508(c)(6)(D)(ii) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(c)(6)(D)(ii)) is amended—

(1) in subclause (III), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) by redesignating subclause (IV) as subclause (VI); and

(3) by inserting after subclause (III) the following:

“(IV) whether a maximum contract price under a contract or contract price addendum—

“(aa) improperly limits the ability of an organic producer to manage risk; and

“(bb) should be raised or eliminated;

“(V) for each State, data on the total number of crop insurance policies or plans of insurance purchased for certified organic or transitional land that shall—

“(aa) be organized by type of policy or plan of insurance and type of crop; and

“(bb) include information on loss ratios, coverage levels, and any other relevant factor, as determined by the Corporation; and”.

In paragraph (7) (as redesignated by section 11122(2)) of section 522(c) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1522(c)), in subparagraph (E) (as added by section 11122(3)), strike clause (ii)(II) and insert the following:

“(II) allowing a waiver to expand operations, especially for—

“(aa) small and beginning farmers; and

“(bb) operations that have recently obtained access to a premium market, such as the organic market;

SA 3146. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. NATIONAL BIOENGINEERED FOOD DISCLOSURE STANDARD.

Section 293(d) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1639b(d)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (4), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (5), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(6) all on-package, electronic, digital, or telephone disclosure language uses commonly used terms, such as ‘GMO’, ‘genetically modified’, or ‘genetically engineered’; and

“(7) each food manufacturer or other entity subject to regulations promulgated in accordance with this section, for the purpose of complying with those regulations with respect to salmon, finfish, or other foods produced with bioengineering, may choose to use ‘bioengineered’, ‘genetically engineered’, or ‘genetically modified’ in the disclosure language for the food.”.

SA 3147. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for

the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2503, redesignate subsections (c) through (f) as subsections (d) through (g), respectively.

In section 2503, insert after subsection (b) the following:

(c) ENCOURAGEMENT OF POLLINATOR HABITAT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECTION.—Section 1244(h) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3844(h)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(3) the development of a conservation and recovery plan for protection of pollinators through conservation biological control or practices and strategies to integrate natural predators and parasites of crop pests into agricultural systems for pest control; and

“(4) training for producers relating to background science, implementation, and promotion of conservation biological control such that producers base conservation activities on practices and techniques that conserve or enhance natural habitat for beneficial insects as a way of reducing pest problems and pesticide applications on farms.”.

SA 3148. Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. DAINES) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1104(6), strike the closing quotation marks and the following period and insert the following:

“(i) ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of agriculture risk coverage payments in the case of county coverage, a county may be divided into not greater than 2 administrative units in accordance with this subsection.

“(2) ELIGIBLE COUNTIES.—A county that may be divided into administrative units under this subsection is a county that—

“(A) is larger than 1,400 square miles;

“(B) is contained within a State that is larger than 140,000 square miles; and

“(C) contains more than 190,000 base acres.

“(3) ELECTIONS.—Before making any agriculture risk coverage payments for the 2019 crop year, the Farm Service Agency State committee, in consultation with the Farm Service Agency county or area committee of a county described in paragraph (2), may make a 1-time election to divide the county into administrative units under this subsection along a boundary that better reflects differences in weather patterns, soil types, or other factors.

“(4) ADMINISTRATION.—For purposes of providing agriculture risk coverage payments in the case of county coverage, the Secretary shall consider an administrative unit elected under paragraph (3) to be a county for the 2019 through 2023 crop years.”.

SA 3149. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which

was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 121. REFUSAL TO PROVIDE CERTAIN STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

Section 202 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (42 Stat. 161, chapter 64; 7 U.S.C. 192), is amended—

(1) by redesignating subdivisions (c) through (g) as subdivisions (d) through (h), respectively;

(2) by inserting after subdivision (b) the following:

“(c) Regardless of whether the refusal has any adverse effect on competition, refuse to provide to a contract poultry grower, swine production contract grower, or producer delivering swine or cattle under a marketing or delivery contract, on request, the relevant statistical information and data used to determine the compensation paid to the contract poultry grower, swine production contract grower, or producer delivering swine or cattle under a marketing or delivery contract, including—

“(1) feed conversion rates;

“(2) feed analysis;

“(3) breeder history;

“(4) quality grade;

“(5) yield grade; and

“(6) delivery volume for any certified branding program (such as programs for angus beef or certified grassfed or Berkshire pork); or”;

(3) in subdivision (h) (as so redesignated), by striking “or (e).” at the end and inserting “(e), or (f).”

SA 3150. Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, insert the following:

SEC. 125. GRANTS FOR FOOD WASTE MANAGEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, shall establish a program under which the Secretary shall provide grants to reduce food waste in accordance with the Food Recovery Hierarchy of the Environmental Protection Agency (or a successor document), including for—

(1) the development and implementation of a State organic waste reduction plan;

(2) food waste prevention and food rescue infrastructure facilities, including storage, handling, and transportation facilities; or

(3) subject to subsection (c), large-scale composting or anaerobic digestion food waste-to-energy projects, excluding landfills.

(b) PREFERENCES.—In providing grants under subsection (a), the Secretary shall give preference to projects—

(1)(A) for the purpose described in subsection (a)(1); or

(B) that are consistent with a State organic waste reduction plan; and

(2) in the case of a project for the purpose described in subsection (a)(3), that use food scraps as undigested biomass.

(c) REQUIREMENT FOR FOOD WASTE-TO-ENERGY PROJECTS.—To receive a grant under subsection (a)(3), a large-scale composting or anaerobic digestion food waste-to-energy project shall have in effect a written end-product recycling plan that—

(1) provides for the use of the material resulting from the project, in accordance with guidelines that the Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall establish; and

(2) ensures that the use of the material resulting from the project does not create an environmental hazard.

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$100,000,000 for each fiscal year.

SA 3151. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 121. UNLAWFUL RETALIATION.

(a) RETALIATION FOR EXERCISE OF LAWFUL EXPRESSION.—Section 202 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 192), is amended—

(1) by redesignating subdivisions (a) through (g) as paragraphs (1) through (7), respectively, and indenting the paragraphs appropriately;

(2) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated)—

(A) by striking “person (1) to” and inserting the following: “person—

“(A) to”;

(B) by striking “business, or (2) to” and inserting the following: “business;

“(B) to”;

(C) by striking “article, or (3) to” and inserting the following: “article; or

“(C) to”;

(3) in paragraph (7) (as so redesignated), by striking “subdivision (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e)” and inserting “any of paragraphs (1) through (5)”;

(4) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) (as so redesignated)—

(A) by striking “It shall” and inserting the following:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) UNLAWFUL RETALIATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—No packer, swine contractor, or live poultry dealer shall take or threaten to take retaliatory action in response to any lawful spoken or written expression, association, or action of a livestock producer, swine production contract grower, or poultry grower.

“(2) TYPES OF LAWFUL EXPRESSION.—The lawful expression referred to in paragraph (1) shall include—

“(A) communication with officials of a Federal agency or Members of Congress;

“(B) any lawful disclosure that demonstrates a reasonable belief of a violation of this Act; and

“(C) any other communication that assists in carrying out the purposes of this Act.

“(3) ALLEGED VIOLATIONS.—An alleged violation of paragraph (1) may be reported to the Secretary for appropriate action.”

(b) DEFINITION OF RETALIATORY ACTION.—Section 2(a) of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 182(a)), is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(15) RETALIATORY ACTION.—The term ‘retaliatory action’ means coercion, intimidation, or taking or failing to take any other action that could discourage the exercise of rights described in this Act against any livestock producer, swine production contract grower, or poultry grower in the execution,

termination, extension, or renewal of a contract or an agreement to purchase involving livestock or poultry, regardless of whether the action has any adverse effect on competition.”

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 411 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 228b-2) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), in the first sentence, by inserting “section 202(b),” after “any provision of”; and

(2) in subsection (b), in the first sentence, by striking “section 207” and inserting “section 202(b), section 207,”.

SA 3152. Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. JONES) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 306E(b) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926e(b)) (as amended by section 6108(3)(C)), add at the end the following:

“(5) DECENTRALIZED WASTEWATER SYSTEMS SERVING 2 OR MORE DWELLINGS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The recipient of a grant under this section may make a subgrant for the purpose of installing a larger decentralized wastewater system designed to provide treatment for all affected homes if—

“(i) site conditions are unsuitable for the installation of an individually owned decentralized wastewater system; and

“(ii) multiple examples of unsuitable site conditions exist in close geographic proximity to each other.

“(B) REQUIREMENT.—A subgrant under subparagraph (A) shall include provisions to establish and implement an effective and sustainable plan for ongoing management and operation of the decentralized wastewater system.

“(C) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The amount of a subgrant under subparagraph (A) shall not exceed the total amount of subgrants that could have been issued to eligible individuals served by the larger decentralized wastewater system described in that subparagraph.”

SA 3153. Mr. UDALL (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. MURPHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 12519. REPORT ON STUDENT LOAN DEBT.

Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, shall submit to Congress and make publicly available a report describing the impact of student loan debt on farmers, ranchers, and the agricultural sector in the United States. The report shall include the following:

(1) An assessment and description of the extent to which debt from student loans is—

(A) impacting the ability of farmers and ranchers to acquire or access credit, acquire or inherit farmland, start new businesses, or expand existing farm operations;

(B) creating barriers to entry or preventing aspiring farmers and ranchers from beginning careers in agriculture-related occupations; and

(C) threatening the long-term economic viability of agriculture in the United States.

(2) How debt from student loans affects, as described in paragraph (1), beginning farmers and historically underserved producers, in particular.

(3) The regulatory, operational, or statutory changes that are necessary to address student loan debt as an impediment for current and aspiring farmers and ranchers.

SA 3154. Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 6105, insert the following:

SEC. 6106. BUSINESS AND INNOVATION SERVICES ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

Section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)) (as amended by section 6105) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(28) BUSINESS AND INNOVATION SERVICES ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES.—The Secretary may make loans and loan guarantees under this subsection and grants under paragraphs (19), (20), and (21) for essential community facilities for business and innovation services, such as incubators, co-working spaces, makerspaces, and residential entrepreneur and innovation centers.”

After section 6123, insert the following:

SEC. 6124. RURAL INNOVATION STRONGER ECONOMIC GRANT PROGRAM.

Subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 379L. RURAL INNOVATION STRONGER ECONOMIC GRANT PROGRAM.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible entity’ means a rural jobs accelerator partnership established after the date of enactment of this section that—

“(A) organizes key community and regional stakeholders into a working group that—

“(i) focuses on the shared goals and needs of the industry clusters that are objectively identified as existing, emerging, or declining;

“(ii) represents a region defined by the partnership in accordance with subparagraph (B);

“(iii) includes 1 or more representatives of—

“(I) an institution of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001));

“(II) a private entity; or

“(III) a government entity;

“(iv) may include 1 or more representatives of—

“(I) an economic development or other community or labor organization;

“(II) a financial institution, including a community development financial institution (as defined in section 103 of the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (12 U.S.C. 4702));

“(III) a philanthropic organization; or

“(IV) a rural cooperative, if the cooperative is organized as a nonprofit organization; and

“(v) has, as a lead applicant—

“(I) a District Organization (as defined in section 300.3 of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation));

“(II) an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)), or a consortium of Indian tribes;

“(III) a State or a political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions;

“(IV) an institution of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)) or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or

“(V) a public or private nonprofit organization; and

“(B) subject to approval by the Secretary, may—

“(i) serve a region that is—

“(I) a single jurisdiction; or

“(II) if the region is a rural area, multi-jurisdictional; and

“(ii) define the region that the partnership represents, if the region—

“(I) is large enough to contain critical elements of the industry cluster prioritized by the partnership;

“(II) is small enough to enable close collaboration among members of the partnership;

“(III) includes a majority of communities that are located in—

“(aa) a nonmetropolitan area that qualifies as a low-income community (as defined in section 45D(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986); and

“(bb) an area that has access to or has a plan to achieve broadband service (within the meaning of title VI of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 950bb et seq.)); and

“(IV)(aa) has a population of 50,000 or fewer inhabitants; or

“(bb) for a region with a population of more than 50,000 inhabitants, is the subject of a positive determination by the Secretary with respect to a rural-in-character petition, including such a petition submitted concurrently with the application of the partnership for a grant under this section.

“(2) INDUSTRY CLUSTER.—The term ‘industry cluster’ means a broadly defined network of interconnected firms and supporting institutions in related industries that accelerate innovation, business formation, and job creation by taking advantage of assets and strengths of a region in the business environment.

“(3) HIGH-WAGE JOB.—The term ‘high-wage job’ means a job that provides a wage that is greater than the median wage for the applicable region, as determined by the Secretary.

“(4) JOBS ACCELERATOR.—The term ‘jobs accelerator’ means a jobs accelerator center or program located in or serving a low-income rural community that may provide co-working space, in-demand skills training, entrepreneurship support, and any other services described in subsection (d)(1)(B).

“(5) SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS.—The term ‘small and disadvantaged business’ has the meaning given the term ‘small business concern owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals’ in section 8(d)(3)(C) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(3)(C)).

“(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a grant program under which the Secretary shall award grants, on a competitive basis, to eligible entities to establish jobs accelerators, including related programming, that—

“(A) improve the ability of distressed rural communities to create high-wage jobs, accelerate the formation of new businesses with high-growth potential, and strengthen regional economies, including by helping to build capacity in the applicable region to achieve those goals; and

“(B) help rural communities identify and maximize local assets and connect to regional opportunities, networks, and industry clusters that demonstrate high growth potential.

“(2) COST-SHARING.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the cost of any activity carried out using a grant made under paragraph (1) shall be not greater than 80 percent.

“(B) IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.—The non-Federal share of the total cost of any activity carried out using a grant made under paragraph (1) may be in the form of donations or in-kind contributions of goods or services fairly valued.

“(3) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In selecting eligible entities to receive grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall consider—

“(A) the commitment of participating core stakeholders in the jobs accelerator partnership, including a demonstration that—

“(i) investment organizations, including venture development organizations, venture capital firms, revolving loan funders, angel investment groups, community lenders, community development financial institutions, rural business investment companies, small business investment companies (as defined in section 103 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 662)), philanthropic organizations, and other institutions focused on expanding access to capital, are committed partners in the jobs accelerator partnership and willing to potentially invest in projects emerging from the jobs accelerator; and

“(ii) institutions of higher education, applied research institutions, workforce development entities, and community-based organizations are willing to partner with the jobs accelerator to provide workers with skills relevant to the industry cluster needs of the region, with an emphasis on the use of on-the-job training, registered apprenticeships, customized training, classroom occupational training, or incumbent worker training;

“(B) the ability of the eligible entity to provide the non-Federal share as required under paragraph (2);

“(C) the speed of available broadband service and how the jobs accelerator plans to improve access to high-speed broadband service, if necessary, and leverage that broadband service for programs of the jobs accelerator;

“(D) the identification of a targeted industry cluster, including a description of—

“(i) data showing the existence of emergence of an industry cluster;

“(ii) the importance of the industry cluster to economic growth in the region;

“(iii) the specific needs and opportunities for growth in the industry cluster;

“(iv) the unique assets a region has to support the industry cluster and to have a competitive advantage in that industry cluster;

“(v) evidence of a concentration of firms or concentration of employees in the industry cluster; and

“(vi) available industry-specific infrastructure that supports the industry cluster;

“(E) the ability of the partnership to link rural communities to markets, networks, industry clusters, and other regional opportunities and assets—

“(i) to improve the competitiveness of the rural region;

“(ii) to repatriate United States jobs;

“(iii) to foster high-wage job creation;

“(iv) to support innovation and entrepreneurship; and

“(v) to promote private investment in the rural regional economy;

“(F) other grants or loans of the Secretary and other Federal agencies that the jobs accelerator would be able to leverage; and

“(G) prospects for the proposed center and related programming to have sustainability beyond the full maximum length of assistance under this subsection, including the maximum number of renewals.

“(4) GRANT TERM AND RENEWALS.—

“(A) TERM.—The initial term of a grant under paragraph (1) shall be 4 years.

“(B) RENEWAL.—The Secretary may renew a grant under paragraph (1) for an additional period of not longer than 2 years if the Secretary is satisfied, using the evaluation under subsection (e)(2), that the grant recipient has successfully established a jobs accelerator and related programming.

“(5) GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION.—To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretary shall provide grants under paragraph (1) for jobs accelerators and related programming in not fewer than 25 States at any time.

“(c) GRANT AMOUNT.—A grant awarded under subsection (b) may be in an amount equal to—

“(1) not less than \$500,000; and

“(2) not more than \$2,000,000.

“(d) USE OF FUNDS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), funds from a grant awarded under subsection (b) may be used—

“(A) to construct, purchase, or equip a building to serve as an innovation center, which may include—

“(i) housing for business owners or workers;

“(ii) co-working space, which may include space for remote work;

“(iii) space for businesses to utilize with a focus on entrepreneurs and small and disadvantaged businesses but that may include collaboration with companies of all sizes;

“(iv) job training programs; and

“(v) efforts to utilize the innovation center as part of the development of a community downtown; or

“(B) to support programs to be carried out at, or in direct partnership with, the jobs accelerator that support the objectives of the jobs accelerator, including—

“(i) linking rural communities to markets, networks, industry clusters, and other regional opportunities to support high-wage job creation, new business formation, and economic growth;

“(ii) integrating small businesses into a supply chain;

“(iii) creating or expanding commercialization activities for new business formation;

“(iv) identifying and building assets in rural communities that are crucial to supporting regional economies;

“(v) facilitating the repatriation of high-wage jobs to the United States;

“(vi) supporting the deployment of innovative processes, technologies, and products;

“(vii) enhancing the capacity of small businesses in regional industry clusters, including small and disadvantaged businesses;

“(viii) increasing United States exports and business interaction with international buyers and suppliers;

“(ix) developing the skills and expertise of local workforces, entrepreneurs, and institutional partners to support growing industry clusters, including the upskilling of incumbent workers;

“(x) ensuring rural communities have the capacity and ability to carry out projects relating to housing, community facilities, infrastructure, or community and economic development to support regional industry cluster growth;

“(xi) establishing training programs to meet the needs of employers in a regional industry cluster and prepare workers for high-wage jobs; or

“(xii) any other activities that the Secretary may determine to be appropriate.

“(2) REQUIREMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), not more than 10 percent of a grant awarded under subsection (b) shall be used for indirect costs associated with administering the grant.

“(B) INCREASE.—The Secretary may increase the percentage described in subparagraph (A) on a case-by-case basis.

“(e) ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT AND EVALUATION.—Not later than 1 year after receiving a grant under this section, and annually thereafter for the duration of the grant, an eligible entity shall—

“(1) report to the Secretary on the activities funded with the grant; and

“(2)(A) evaluate the progress that the eligible entity has made toward the strategic objectives identified in the application for the grant; and

“(B) measure that progress using performance measures during the project period, which may include—

“(i) high-wage jobs created;

“(ii) high-wage jobs retained;

“(iii) private investment leveraged;

“(iv) businesses improved;

“(v) new business formations;

“(vi) new products or services commercialized;

“(vii) improvement of the value of existing products or services under development;

“(viii) regional collaboration, as measured by such metrics as—

“(I) the number of organizations actively engaged in the industry cluster;

“(II) the number of symposia held by the industry cluster, including organizations that are not located in the immediate region defined by the partnership; and

“(III) the number of further cooperative agreements;

“(ix) the number of education and training activities relating to innovation;

“(x) the number of jobs relocated from outside of the United States to the region;

“(xi) the amount and number of new equity investments in industry cluster firms;

“(xii) the amount and number of new loans to industry cluster firms;

“(xiii) the dollar increase in exports resulting from the project activities;

“(xiv) the percentage of employees for which training was provided;

“(xv) improvement in sales of participating businesses;

“(xvi) improvement in wages paid at participating businesses;

“(xvii) improvement in income of participating workers; or

“(xviii) any other measure the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

“(f) INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish an interagency Federal task force to support the network of jobs accelerators by—

“(A) providing successful applicants with available information and technical assistance on Federal resources relevant to the project and region;

“(B) establishing a Federal support team comprised of staff from participating agencies in the task force that shall provide coordinated and dedicated support services to jobs accelerators; and

“(C) providing opportunities for the network of jobs accelerators to share best practices and further collaborate to achieve the purposes of this section.

“(2) MEMBERSHIP.—The task force established under paragraph (1) shall—

“(A) be co-chaired by—

“(i) the Secretary of Commerce (or a designee); and

“(ii) the Secretary (or a designee); and

“(B) include—

“(i) the Secretary of Education (or a designee);

“(ii) the Secretary of Energy (or a designee);

“(iii) the Secretary of Health and Human Services (or a designee);

“(iv) the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (or a designee);

“(v) the Secretary of Labor (or a designee);

“(vi) the Secretary of Transportation (or a designee);

“(vii) the Secretary of the Treasury (or a designee);

“(viii) the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (or a designee);

“(ix) the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (or a designee);

“(x) the Federal Co-Chair of the Appalachian Regional Commission (or a designee);

“(xi) the Federal Co-Chairman of the Board of the Delta Regional Authority (or a designee);

“(xii) the Federal Co-Chair of the Northern Border Regional Commission (or a designee);

“(xiii) national and local organizations that have relevant programs and interests that could serve the needs of the jobs accelerators;

“(xiv) representatives of State and local governments or State and local economic development agencies;

“(xv) representatives of institutions of higher education, including land-grant universities; and

“(xvi) such other heads of Federal agencies and non-Federal partners as determined appropriate by the co-chairs of the task force.”

Strike section 6125 and insert the following:

SEC. 6125. RURAL BUSINESS INVESTMENT PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 384A of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking “VENTURE”; and

(B) by striking “venture”; and

(2) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the following:

“(4) EQUITY CAPITAL.—The term ‘equity capital’ means—

“(A) common or preferred stock or a similar instrument, including subordinated debt with equity features; and

“(B) any other type of equity-like financing that might be necessary to facilitate the purposes of this Act, excluding financing such as senior debt or other types of financing that competes with routine loanmaking of commercial lenders.”

(b) PURPOSES.—Section 384B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc–1) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “venture”; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “venture”; and

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “venture”.

(c) SELECTION OF RURAL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—Section 384D(b)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc–3(b)(1)) is amended by striking “developmental venture” and inserting “developmental”.

(d) FEES.—Section 384G of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc–6) is amended—

(1) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking “a fee that does not exceed \$500” each place it appears and inserting “such fees as the Secretary considers appropriate, so long as those fees are proportionally equal for each rural business investment company,”; and

(2) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (B), by striking “solely to cover the costs of licensing examinations” and inserting “as the Secretary considers appropriate”; and

(B) by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting the following:

“(C) shall be in such amounts as the Secretary considers appropriate.”.

(e) **LIMITATION ON RURAL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES CONTROLLED BY FARM CREDIT SYSTEM INSTITUTIONS.**—Section 384J(c) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-9(c)) is amended by striking “25” and inserting “50”.

(f) **FLEXIBILITY ON SOURCES OF INVESTMENT OR CAPITAL.**—Section 384J(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009cc-9(a)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(2) by striking the subsection designation and heading and all that follows through “Except as” in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated) and inserting the following:

“(a) **INVESTMENT.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) **LIMITATION ON REQUIREMENTS.**—The Secretary may not require that an entity described in paragraph (1) provide investment or capital that is not required of other companies eligible to apply to operate as a rural business investment company under section 384D(a).”.

SA 3155. Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title II, add the following:

SEC. 24. SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATING TO CONSERVATION PROGRAMS.

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the investment in conservation provided by this Act is critical to the protection of natural resources, environmental enhancement, and the long-term food security of the United States;

(2) establishing clear objectives and anticipated outcomes for conservation programs is essential for tracking progress on achieving objectives over time;

(3) a measurement, evaluation, and reporting system should be established to help define and assess conservation outcomes and thereby help ensure robust, positive returns on the taxpayer investment in conservation programs;

(4) an outcomes-based measurement, evaluation, and reporting system for conservation programs under this Act and Acts amended by this Act should be coordinated with the broader existing activities by the Department of Agriculture under the Soil and Water Resources Conservation Act of 1977 (16 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.) and the Conservation Effects Assessment Project; and

(5) determining a secure and ongoing funding source will be critical to the success of the measure, evaluation, and reporting system described in paragraph (4).

SA 3156. Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title I, add the following:

SEC. 11. EXCEPTION TO PROHIBITION ON PRICE LOSS COVERAGE PAYMENTS OR AGRICULTURE RISK COVERAGE PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN FARMS WITH MINIMAL PAYMENT ACRES.

Section 1114(d)(1) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9014(d)(1)) is amended by adding before the period at the end the following: “, unless the sum of the base acres on the farm, when combined with the base acres of other farms in which the producer has an interest, is more than 10 acres”.

SA 3157. Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr. BENNET) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 675, strike line 14 and insert the following:

white-tailed deer populations.

“(15) **DRYLAND FARMING AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS.**—Research and extension grants may be made under this section for the purposes of carrying out or enhancing research on the utilization of big data for more precise management of dryland farming agricultural systems.”.

SA 3158. Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr. BENNET) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 675, strike line 14 and insert the following:

white-tailed deer populations.

“(15) **PRODUCTIVITY OF OILSEEDS.**—Research and extension grants may be made under this section for the purposes of carrying out or enhancing research on the productivity of oilseeds in varying water availability.”.

SA 3159. Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. BLUNT) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2414, add at the end the following:

(d) **REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF FENCING.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 401 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2201) is amended—

(A) by inserting “wildfires,” after “hurricanes,”;

(B) by striking the section designation and all that follows through “The Secretary of Agriculture” and inserting the following:

“SEC. 401. PAYMENTS TO PRODUCERS.

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

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) **REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF FENCING.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—With respect to a payment to an agricultural producer under subsection (a) for the repair or replacement of fencing, the Secretary shall give the agricultural producer the option of receiving not more than 25 percent of the payment, determined by the Secretary based on the applicable percentage of the fair market value of the cost of the repair or replacement, before the agricultural producer carries out the repair or replacement.

“(2) **RETURN OF FUNDS.**—If the funds provided under paragraph (1) are not expended by the end of the 60-day period beginning on the date on which the agricultural producer receives those funds, the funds shall be returned within a reasonable timeframe, as determined by the Secretary.”.

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—

(A) Sections 402, 403, 404, and 405 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205) are amended by striking “Secretary of Agriculture” each place it appears and inserting “Secretary”.

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

(e) **COST SHARE PAYMENTS.**—Title IV of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 402 the following:

“SEC. 402A. COST-SHARE REQUIREMENT.

“(a) **COST-SHARE RATE.**—Subject to subsections (b) and (c), the maximum cost-share payment under sections 401 and 402 shall not exceed 75 percent of the total allowable cost, as determined by the Secretary.

“(b) **EXCEPTION.**—Notwithstanding subsection (a), a payment to a limited resource farmer or rancher, a socially disadvantaged farmer or rancher (as defined in 2501(a) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279(a))), or a beginning farmer or rancher under section 401 or 402 shall not exceed 90 percent of the total allowable cost, as determined by the Secretary.

“(c) **LIMITATION.**—The total payment under sections 401 and 402 for a single event may not exceed 50 percent of the agriculture value of the land, as determined by the Secretary.”.

SA 3160. Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86. REMOTE SENSING TECHNOLOGIES.

The Chief of the Forest Service shall—

(1) continue to find efficiencies in the operations of the forest inventory and analysis program under section 3(e) of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Research Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 1642(e)) through the improved use and integration of advanced remote sensing technologies to provide estimates for State- and national-level inventories, where appropriate; and

(2) partner with States and other interested stakeholders to carry out the program described in paragraph (1).

SA 3161. Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. STATE MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION OF SPECIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—During the 10-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) and the lesser prairie-chicken (*Tympanuchus pallidicinctus*) may not be listed as a threatened species or endangered species under section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533).

(b) SUBSEQUENT DETERMINATIONS.—In determining whether to list the species described in subsection (a) as a threatened species or endangered species under section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) after the 10-year period described in that subsection, the Secretary of the Interior shall fully consider all conservation actions of States, Federal agencies, and military installations.

(c) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this section shall not be subject to judicial review.

SA 3162. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 250, line 17, insert after the period the following: “Funds may not be used as described in the previous sentence until the date that is 30 days after the date on which Cuba holds free and fair elections for a new government—

“(1) with the participation of multiple independent political parties that have full access to the media;

“(2) that are conducted under the supervision of internationally recognized observers, such as the Organization of American States, the United Nations, and other election monitors; and

“(3) that are certified by the Secretary of State.”.

SA 3163. Mr. SASSE (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. JONES, Mr. RISCH, Mr. TESTER, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mrs. ERNST, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 121. HOURS OF SERVICE REGULATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF LIVESTOCK.

The Secretary of Transportation shall amend part 395 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, to ensure that, in the case of a driver transporting livestock (as defined in

section 602 of the Emergency Livestock Feed Assistance Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 1471)) or insects within a 300 air-mile radius from the point at which the on-duty time of the driver begins with respect to the trip—

(1) the on-duty time of the driver shall exclude all time spent—

(A) at a plant, terminal, facility, or other property of a motor carrier or shipper or on any public property during which the driver is waiting to be dispatched;

(B) loading or unloading a commercial motor vehicle;

(C) supervising or assisting in the loading or unloading of a commercial motor vehicle;

(D) attending to a commercial motor vehicle while the vehicle is being loaded or unloaded;

(E) remaining in readiness to operate a commercial motor vehicle; and

(F) giving or receiving receipts for shipments loaded or unloaded;

(2) except as provided in paragraph (5), the driving time under section 395.3(a)(3)(i) of that title is modified to a maximum of not less than 15, and not more than 18, hours within a 24-hour period;

(3) the driver may take 1 or more rest periods during the trip, which shall not be included in the calculation of the driving time;

(4) after completion of the trip, the driver shall be required to take a rest break for a period that is 5 hours less than the maximum driving time under paragraph (2);

(5) if the driver is within 150 air-miles of the point of delivery, any additional driving to that point of delivery shall not be included in the calculation of the driving time; and

(6) the 10-hour rest period under section 395.3(a)(1) of that title shall not apply.

SA 3164. Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. PERDUE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 5303, insert the following:

SEC. 5304. USE OF ADDITIONAL COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUNDS FOR DIRECT OPERATING MICROLOANS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Section 346(b) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1994(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(5) USE OF ADDITIONAL COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUNDS FOR DIRECT OPERATING MICROLOANS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines that the amount needed for a fiscal year for direct operating loans (including microloans) under subtitle B is greater than the aggregate principal amount authorized for that fiscal year by this Act, an appropriations Act, or any other provision of law, the Secretary shall make additional microloans under subtitle B using amounts made available under subparagraph (B).

“(B) FUNDING.—Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use to make microloans under subtitle B, under the conditions described in subparagraph (A), not more than \$5,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

“(C) NOTICE.—Not later than 15 days before the date on which the Secretary uses the authority under subparagraphs (A) and (B), the Secretary shall submit a notice of the use of that authority to—

“(i) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives;

“(ii) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;

“(iii) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives; and

“(iv) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate.”.

SA 3165. Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. KAINE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 124. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) the Department of Agriculture is the primary Federal agency dedicated to improving the economy and quality of life in rural areas of the United States;

(2) the Department of Agriculture provides significant financial resources and technical assistance to rural communities, including loans, loan guarantees, and grants to help support economic development in rural areas of the United States;

(3) the United States has a substantial interest in ensuring that the nearly 45,000,000 individuals in the United States living in rural communities have access to critical infrastructure, broadband, telecommunications connectivity, capital, health care, and other essential resources; and

(4) renaming the Department of Agriculture the “Department of Agriculture and Rural Development” would—

(A) further establish the importance of rural development to the mission of the Department; and

(B) raise awareness in rural areas of the United States of the essential role the Department has in supporting rural communities throughout the United States.

(b) RENAMING.—Subtitle A of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.) (as amended by section 12403(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 224. RENAMING AS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT.”

“(a) IN GENERAL.—

“(1) DEPARTMENT.—The Department of Agriculture shall be known and designated as the ‘Department of Agriculture and Rural Development’.

“(2) SECRETARY.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall be known and designated as the ‘Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development’.

“(b) REFERENCES.—Except as provided in subsection (c), any reference to the Department of Agriculture or the Secretary of Agriculture in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be deemed to be a reference to the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, respectively.

“(c) LIMITATION ON APPLICATION.—The renaming of the Department of Agriculture and the Secretary of Agriculture under this section shall not apply to any acronyms used before the date of enactment of this section by the Secretary for the purposes of labeling.”.

SA 3166. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for

the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title VI, add the following:

SEC. 61. DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO DECREASE OPIOID MISUSE BY STUDENTS.

Subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 379I. DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO DECREASE OPIOID MISUSE BY STUDENTS.

“(a) **DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE ENTITY.**—In this section, the term ‘eligible entity’ means an extension program in a land-grant college or university (as defined in section 1404 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3103)).

“(b) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—The Secretary shall establish a demonstration project under which the Secretary shall award grants to eligible entities to provide technical assistance to support evidence-based programming for students in grades 5 through 8 that is proven to prevent the misuse of opioids and other substances.

“(c) **APPLICATIONS.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection (b), an eligible entity shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

“(2) **PRIORITY.**—In allocating grants under subsection (b), the Secretary shall give priority to an eligible entity that—

“(A) has experience in implementing evidence-based delivery systems for youth programming proven to reduce the misuse of opioids and other substances among youths in grades 5 through 8;

“(B) promotes healthy life skills that have been demonstrated to reduce drug misuse; and

“(C) proposes to serve a rural county or community of not more than 50,000 residents, as determined by the Secretary.

“(3) **SUBMISSION DEADLINE.**—The Secretary shall not accept an application under paragraph (1) that is submitted less than 90 days before the date on which the demonstration project terminates under subsection (h).

“(d) **DURATION OF GRANT.**—A grant awarded under subsection (b) shall be for a period of 5 years.

“(e) **GRANT DISBURSEMENT.**—

“(1) **MINIMUM GRANT AMOUNT.**—An eligible entity that is given priority under subsection (c)(2) shall receive a grant of not less than \$250,000.

“(2) **TIME OF DISBURSEMENT.**—Not later than 30 days after awarding a grant to an eligible entity under subsection (b), the Secretary shall disburse to the eligible entity the total amount of the grant funds awarded.

“(f) **USE OF FUNDS.**—An eligible entity that receives a grant under subsection (b)—

“(1) shall use the grant funds to provide technical assistance to support—

“(A) evidence-based programs that strengthen families by developing and improving communication skills between parents or guardians and children;

“(B) evidence-based training programs during and after school that build life skills and prepare students for adulthood by providing the education and tools necessary to teach students how to better communicate with their peers, build stronger relationships, and resist risky behavior; and

“(C) any other programs, as determined by the Secretary; and

“(2) may use the grant funds to reimburse the cost of meals, child care, or other expenses to encourage students and families to participate in any program implemented under paragraph (1).

“(g) **REPORTS.**—

“(1) **INTERIM REPORTS.**—Not later than 1 year after the demonstration project is established under subsection (b), and each year thereafter for the next 3 years, the Secretary shall submit to Congress an interim report on the demonstration project that includes—

“(A) a summary of the activities conducted by each eligible entity receiving a grant under the demonstration project;

“(B) an assessment of the effectiveness of the demonstration project, including on participation rates; and

“(C) an assessment of the effectiveness of the use of funds described in subsection (f)(2) to encourage students and families to participate in any program implemented under paragraph (1) of that subsection.

“(2) **FINAL REPORT.**—Not later than 180 days after the termination of the demonstration project under subsection (h), the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the demonstration project that includes—

“(A) a summary of the activities conducted by each eligible entity receiving a grant under the demonstration project;

“(B) an assessment of the effectiveness of the demonstration project, including on—

“(i) reduction in the misuse of opioids and other substances;

“(ii) reduction in the risk factors of misuse of opioids and other substances;

“(iii) participation rates;

“(iv) cost savings, with a focus on savings from a reduction in substance use disorders; and

“(v) changes in youth mental health;

“(C) an assessment of the effectiveness of the use of funds described in subsection (f)(2) to encourage students and families to participate in any program implemented under paragraph (1) of that subsection;

“(D) an assessment of the sustainability of the demonstration project; and

“(E) a description of the steps and funding necessary to incorporate components of the demonstration project that are proven to reduce rates of misuse of opioids and other substances into Federal and State programs and services.

“(3) **PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.**—The Secretary shall make publically available, including by posting on the website of the Department of Agriculture, each report submitted under paragraphs (1) and (2).

“(h) **TERMINATION.**—The demonstration project established under subsection (b) shall terminate on the date that is 5 years after the date of the establishment of the demonstration project.

“(i) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.”

SA 3167. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . HEALTH CARE FOR FARMERS AND RANCHERS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this section as the

“Secretary”) shall award grants to States and nonprofit entities to establish and support programs to mitigate the financial risk posed to farms and ranches by high health costs by—

(1) providing information and services to assist farmers and ranchers to determine their eligibility for comprehensive health coverage;

(2) subsidizing out-of-pocket health expenditures for farmers and ranchers who are enrolled in comprehensive health coverage and have annual household incomes below 500 percent of the Federal poverty rate; and

(3) subsidizing the purchase of comprehensive health coverage for farmers and ranchers who are described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII)) but who reside in a State that has not elected to provide coverage under the State Medicaid plan under title XIX of such Act (or a waiver of such plan) to individuals described in such section.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **FARMERS AND RANCHERS.**—The term “farmers and ranchers” means individuals who work as farmers or ranchers, and any spouse or dependant (as defined in section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) of such an individual.

(2) **COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH COVERAGE.**—The term “comprehensive health coverage” means public or private health insurance coverage that—

(A) offers—

(i) benefits that are at least equivalent to the essential health benefits package under section 1302(a) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18022(a)); and

(ii) consumer protections that are at least equivalent to the consumer protections required under such Act and under title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg et seq.), including protections for individuals with pre-existing conditions; or

(B) meets the requirements for being minimum essential coverage under section 5000A(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as in effect on June 1, 2018.

(3) **OUT-OF-POCKET HEALTH EXPENDITURES.**—The term “out-of-pocket health expenditures” means health insurance deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost-sharing incurred by individuals and families enrolled in comprehensive health insurance benefits.

(c) **NUMBER OF AWARDS.**—The Secretary shall make awards under this section to eligible applicants located in not fewer than 10 States.

(d) **GRANT PERIOD.**—Grants under this section shall be awarded for not longer than a 5-year period and may be renewed at the Secretary's discretion.

(e) **SELECTION PRIORITY.**—In awarding grants under this section, the Secretary shall—

(1) give priority to States and nonprofit entities located in States where, according to the most recent Census of Agriculture the primary occupation of not less than half of principal farm operators is farming; and

(2) ensure that grantees and grant funds are distributed across Census of Agriculture regions and divisions.

(f) **SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.**—Funds made available under this section shall be used to supplement, and not supplant, other Federal, State, or private funds that are made available for the purposes described in subsection (a).

(g) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023, to remain available until expended.

SA 3168. Mr. YOUNG (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COONS, and Mr. GARDNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title XI, add the following:

SEC. 11618. NATIONAL ECONOMIC SECURITY STRATEGY.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the national security of the United States depends in large part on a vibrant, growing, and secure United States economy;

(2) the United States confronts more international economic competition and threats today than at any time in the Nation's history;

(3) a failure of the United States to compete economically will undermine the prosperity and security of the people of the United States;

(4) the United States is stronger when the national security strategy integrates economic tools in the service of foreign policy objectives;

(5) it is in the national security and economic interests of the United States—

(A) to promote free, fair, and reciprocal economic relationships between the United States and foreign individuals and entities;

(B) to promote and protect the United States innovation base, including the defense industrial base;

(C) to ensure that the United States leads in research, technology, and innovation;

(D) to counter anticompetitive economic behavior, policies, and strategies by foreign individuals and entities;

(E) to promote environmental stewardship; and

(F) to ensure workers and families in the United States have the opportunity to thrive with competitive wages and are not unfairly disadvantaged;

(6) the Federal Government has a limited, but important, role in facilitating the ability of the United States to compete successfully in the international economic competition described in paragraph (2); and

(7) the Federal Government should periodically produce a national economic security strategy—

(A) to ensure Federal policies, statutes, regulations, procedures, data gathering, and assessment practices are optimally designed and implemented to facilitate the competitiveness, prosperity, and security of the United States; and

(B) maximally advance economic opportunity for present and future generations of United States citizens.

(b) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—

(1) INITIAL STRATEGY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President, in coordination with the National Security Council and the National Economic Council and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report setting forth a national economic security strategy of the United States to support the national security strategy for 2017.

(2) SUBSEQUENT STRATEGIES.—Beginning in 2021, the President, in coordination with the National Security Council and the National Economic Council and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a national economic security strategy—

(A) in any year in which a new President is inaugurated, not later than October 1 of that year; and

(B) in any other year, not later than 90 days after the transmission to Congress in that year of the national security strategy.

(c) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by subsection (b) shall set forth a national economic security strategy of the United States and shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(1) An assessment of the global competitive position of key United States economic sectors, including strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.

(2) An assessment of the national debt and its implications for the economic and national security of the United States.

(3) A description and discussion of the prioritized economic security interests and objectives of the United States, including key economic sectors vital to economic security of the United States.

(4) A description of the leading threats, challenges, and opportunities associated with the interests and objectives described in paragraph (3), including—

(A) an assessment of the severity and likelihood of the threats, both foreign and domestic, and an explicit linking of each such threat to a national interest or objective;

(B) an assessment of the nature of the challenges and how each challenge will evolve if left unaddressed; and

(C) an assessment of the opportunities and associated potential benefits to United States interests or objectives.

(5) An overview of the public and private sector tools necessary to address or minimize the leading threats and challenges described in paragraph (4) and to take advantage of the leading opportunities described in that paragraph.

(6) An assessment of whether the United States Government or private sector possesses those tools.

(7) For each such threat, challenge, or opportunity that the United States Government or private sector lack sufficient tools to address, minimize, or take advantage of, a detailed plan to develop, improve, or foster those tools.

(8) A plan to utilize available tools to address or minimize the leading threats and challenges and to take advantage of the leading opportunities, including—

(A) a discussion of the optimal allocation of finite resources and an identification of the risks associated with that allocation;

(B) specific objectives, tasks, metrics, and milestones for each relevant Federal agency;

(C) specific plans to eliminate obstacles for the private sector in areas supportive of the national economic security strategy and to maximize the prudent use of public-private partnerships;

(D) specific plans to eliminate obstacles to strengthening United States energy security, sustainability, and resilience in areas supportive of the national economic security strategy, including energy diversity and sustainable management and use of energy resources;

(E) specific plans to promote environmental stewardship and fair competition for United States workers;

(F) a description of—

(i) how the national economic security strategy supports the national security strategy; and

(ii) how the national economic security strategy is integrated and coordinated with the most recent national defense strategy under section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code;

(G) a plan to encourage the governments of countries that are allies or partners of the United States to cooperate with the execu-

tion of the national economic security strategy, where appropriate; and

(H) a plan to encourage certain international and multilateral organizations to support the implementation of the national economic security strategy.

(9) An identification of any additional resources or statutory authorizations necessary to implement the national economic security strategy.

(d) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report required by subsection (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

(2) NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY.—The term “national security strategy” means the national security strategy required by section 108 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3043).

SA 3169. Mr. ISAKSON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title I, add the following:

SEC. 15 ____ . LOSSES DUE TO EXTREME COLD.

Amounts made available under the heading “OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY” under the heading “PROCESSING, RESEARCH AND MONITORING” under the heading “AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS” under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE” in title I of division B of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-123) for necessary expenses related to the consequences of hurricanes and wildfires occurring in calendar year 2017 are authorized to be used for necessary expenses related to peach and blueberry crop losses due to extreme cold occurring in calendar year 2017, under such terms and conditions as determined by the Secretary.

SA 3170. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . PROHIBITION ON LISTING OF LIVING NONNATIVE SPECIES AS THREATENED SPECIES OR ENDANGERED SPECIES.

(a) LIMITATION.—The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 19. PROHIBITION ON LISTING OF LIVING NONNATIVE SPECIES AS THREATENED SPECIES OR ENDANGERED SPECIES.

“Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not list under section 4(c) any living nonnative species.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of contents of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. prec. 1531) is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 17 the following:

“Sec. 18. Annual cost analysis by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

“Sec. 19. Prohibition on listing of living nonnative species as threatened species or endangered species.”.

SA 3171. Mr. MORAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1104(5), redesignate subparagraphs (A) through (C) as subparagraphs (B) through (D), respectively.

In section 1104(5), insert before subparagraph (B) (as so redesignated) the following:

(A) in paragraph (2), by inserting “in accordance with subsection (h),” before “to the maximum extent practicable”;

In section 1104(6), strike “(h) PUBLICATIONS.—” and insert the following:

“(h) CALCULATION OF SEPARATE ACTUAL CROP REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE RISK COVERAGE GUARANTEE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—On request of a county Farm Service Agency committee, in coordination with a Farm Service Agency State committee, the Secretary shall consider a 1-time request to calculate a separate actual crop revenue and agriculture risk coverage guarantee for irrigated and nonirrigated covered commodities under subsection (g)(2) in a county if, during the 2014 through 2018 crop years—

“(A) an average of not less than 5 percent of the planted and considered planted acreage of a covered commodity in the county was irrigated; and

“(B) an average of not less than 5 percent of the planted and considered planted acreage of the covered commodity in the county was nonirrigated.

“(2) SOURCE OF INFORMATION.—In considering a request described in paragraph (1) and calculating a separate actual crop revenue and agriculture risk coverage guarantee for irrigated and nonirrigated covered commodities in a county, the Secretary may use other sources of yield information, including the yield history of representative farms in the State, region, or crop reporting district, as determined by the Secretary.

“(i) PUBLICATIONS.—

SA 3172. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BURR, and Mr. REED) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title IX, add the following:

SEC. 91. NATIONAL OILHEAT RESEARCH ALLIANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 713 of the National Oilheat Research Alliance Act of 2000

(42 U.S.C. 6201 note; Public Law 106-469) is repealed.

(b) LIMITATIONS ON OBLIGATIONS OF FUNDS.—The National Oilheat Research Alliance Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 6201 note; Public Law 106-469) is amended by inserting after section 707 the following:

“SEC. 708. LIMITATIONS ON OBLIGATION OF FUNDS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—In each fiscal year of the covered period, the Alliance may not obligate an amount greater than the sum of—

“(1) 75 percent of the amount of assessments estimated to be collected under section 707 in that fiscal year;

“(2) 75 percent of the amount of assessments actually collected under section 707 in the most recent fiscal year for which an audit report has been submitted under section 706(f)(2)(B) as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which the amount that may be obligated is being determined, less the estimate made pursuant to paragraph (1) for that most recent fiscal year; and

“(3) amounts permitted in preceding fiscal years to be obligated pursuant to this subsection that have not been obligated.

“(b) EXCESS AMOUNTS DEPOSITED IN ESCROW ACCOUNT.—Assessments collected under section 707 in excess of the amount permitted to be obligated under subsection (a) in a fiscal year shall be deposited in an escrow account for the duration of the covered period.

“(c) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS IN ESCROW ACCOUNT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—During the covered period, the Alliance may not obligate, expend, or borrow against amounts required under subsection (b) to be deposited in the escrow account.

“(2) INTEREST.—Any interest earned on amounts described in paragraph (1) shall be—

“(A) deposited in the escrow account; and

“(B) unavailable for obligation for the duration of the covered period.

“(d) RELEASE OF AMOUNTS IN ESCROW ACCOUNT.—After the expiration of the covered period, the Alliance may withdraw and obligate in any fiscal year an amount in the escrow account that does not exceed ½ of the amount in the escrow account on the last day of the covered period.

“(e) SPECIAL RULE FOR ESTIMATES FOR PARTICULAR FISCAL YEARS.—

“(1) RULE.—For purposes of subsection (a)(1), the amount of assessments estimated to be collected under section 707 in a fiscal year described in paragraph (2) shall be equal to 62 percent of the amount of assessments actually collected under that section in the most recent fiscal year for which an audit report has been submitted under section 706(f)(2)(B) as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which the amount that may be obligated is being determined.

“(2) FISCAL YEARS DESCRIBED.—The fiscal years referred to in paragraph (1) are the 9th and 10th fiscal years that begin on or after the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018.

“(f) COVERED PERIOD DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘covered period’ means the period that begins on the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 and ends on the last day of the 11th fiscal year that begins on or after that date of enactment.”.

SA 3173. Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VI, add the following:

SEC. 62. LOANS FOR CARBON DIOXIDE CAPTURE AND UTILIZATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title I of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 19 the following:

“SEC. 20. LOANS FOR CARBON DIOXIDE CAPTURE AND UTILIZATION.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law (including regulations), in carrying out any program under this Act under which the Secretary provides a loan or loan guarantee, the Secretary may provide such a loan or loan guarantee to facilities employing commercially demonstrated technologies for carbon dioxide capture and utilization.”.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 3 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 903) is amended—

(1) by striking “There are” and inserting the following:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b)(2), there are”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) LOANS FOR CARBON DIOXIDE CAPTURE AND UTILIZATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out section 20.

“(2) SEPARATE APPROPRIATIONS.—The sums appropriated under paragraph (1) shall be separate and distinct from the sums appropriated under subsection (a).”.

Strike paragraph (1) of section 9103 and insert the following:

(1) in subsection (b)(3)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “produces an advanced biofuel” and inserting the following: “produces any 1 or more, or a combination, of—

“(i) an advanced biofuel;

“(ii) a renewable chemical; or

“(iii) a biobased product”;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “produces an advanced biofuel.” and inserting the following: “produces any 1 or more, or a combination, of—

“(i) an advanced biofuel;

“(ii) a renewable chemical; or

“(iii) a biobased product.”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) a technology for the capture, compression, or utilization of carbon dioxide that is produced at a biorefinery producing an advanced biofuel, a renewable chemical, or a biobased product.”; and

SA 3174. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. SENSE OF THE SENATE ON EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) climate change is adversely impacting the agricultural economy of the United States; and

(2) the Government Accountability Office—

(A) in a 2017 report, found that—

(i) the Federal Government has spent more than \$350,000,000,000 during the last decade on disaster assistance programs and losses from flood and crop insurance; and

(ii) due to losses from flood and crop insurance, climate change is considered a high risk;

(B) expects the cost to taxpayers described in subparagraph (A)(i) to increase; and

(C) recommends that the Federal Government take the initial step to establish government-wide priorities to manage the adverse impact of climate change on the agricultural economy of the United States.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that the Secretary should prioritize efforts to minimize the effects of climate change on—

- (1) food systems in the United States;
- (2) the business practices of agricultural producers; and
- (3) taxpayers.

SA 3175. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following:

SEC. 72. STUDY ON NATIONAL BENEFITS OF CARBON SEQUESTRATION PRACTICES.

The Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 is amended by inserting after section 1668 (7 U.S.C. 5921) the following:

“SEC. 1669. STUDY ON NATIONAL BENEFITS OF CARBON SEQUESTRATION PRACTICES.

“(a) STUDY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, the Secretary of Agriculture shall offer to enter into a contract with the National Academy of Sciences to convene a committee of experts in natural sciences (referred to in this section as the ‘Committee’) to conduct a study to quantify the benefits of land-sector carbon sequestration practices implemented in national forests, grasslands, parks, wetlands, and private voluntary conservation land.

“(2) DEADLINE.—The Committee shall convene not later than 30 days after the date on which the Secretary of Agriculture and the National Academy of Sciences enter into a contract under paragraph (1).

“(b) REPORT.—On completion of the study under subsection (a)(1), the Committee shall submit to the Secretary of Agriculture, the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate an expert consensus report that—

“(1) describes current scientific knowledge relating to the benefits of implementing land-sector carbon sequestration across the United States; and

“(2) quantifies, to the maximum extent practicable, the impact of land-sector carbon sequestration on carbon sequestration, net primary productivity, biodiversity, water quantity, and other ecosystem services.”.

SA 3176. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 11111, insert the following:

SEC. 11112. PROHIBITION ON PAYMENT OF PORTION OF PREMIUM BY CORPORATION FOR TOBACCO.

Section 508(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(9) PROHIBITION ON PAYMENT OF PORTION OF PREMIUM BY CORPORATION FOR TOBACCO.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Effective beginning with the 2019 reinsurance year, notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, the Corporation shall not pay any portion of the premium for a policy or plan of insurance for tobacco under this subtitle.

“(B) DEFICIT REDUCTION.—Any savings realized as a result of subparagraph (A) shall be deposited in the Treasury and used for Federal budget deficit reduction.”.

SA 3177. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. UDALL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1401, strike subsection (b) and insert the following:

(b) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1401 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9051) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (10) as paragraphs (5) through (11), respectively;

(2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following:

“(4) CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE.—The term ‘catastrophic coverage’ means coverage under section 1406(a)(2)(B).”;

(3) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking “MARGIN PROTECTION PROGRAM” and inserting “DAIRY RISK COVERAGE”;

(B) by striking “margin protection program” the first place it appears and inserting “dairy risk coverage”; and

(C) by striking “the margin protection program” and inserting “dairy risk coverage”;

(4) in paragraph (7) (as so redesignated)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking “MARGIN PROTECTION PROGRAM” and inserting “DAIRY RISK COVERAGE”;

(B) by striking “margin protection program” the first place it appears and inserting “dairy risk coverage”; and

(C) by striking “the margin protection program pursuant to”; and

(5) in paragraphs (8) and (9) (as so redesignated), by striking “the margin protection program” each place it appears and inserting “dairy risk coverage”.

In section 1401(e), strike paragraph (3) and insert the following:

(3) in subsection (b)—

(A) in each of paragraphs (1), (3), and (4), by striking “the margin protection program” and inserting “dairy risk coverage”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(5) CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE.—A participating dairy operation may elect to receive catastrophic coverage instead of paying a premium under section 1407.”;

In section 1401(e)(4)(A), strike “and” at the end.

In section 1401(e)(4), add at the end the following:

(C) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “The administrative” and inserting the following:

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The administrative”; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE.—In addition to the administrative fee under subpara-

graph (A), a participating dairy operation that elects to receive catastrophic coverage shall pay an additional administrative fee of \$100.”; and

In section 1401(g), strike paragraph (3) and insert the following:

(3) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking “to \$4.00” and all that follows through “\$5.50” and inserting the following: “to—

“(A) in the case of catastrophic coverage, \$5.00;

“(B) \$5.50”; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) in the case of production subject to premiums under section 1407(b), any amount described in subparagraph (B), \$8.50, or \$9.00; and”; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “(2) a percentage” and inserting the following:

“(2)(A) a percentage”;

(ii) in subparagraph (A) (as so designated)—

(I) by striking “beginning with 25 percent and not exceeding” and inserting “that does not exceed”; and

(II) by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) in the case of catastrophic coverage, a coverage level of 40 percent of the production history of the participating dairy operation.”; and

In section 1401(h)(3), strike subparagraph (A) and insert the following:

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “Except as” and all that follows through “the” and inserting “The”;

(ii) by striking the rows relating to the \$4.00, \$4.50, and \$5.00 coverage levels;

(iii) by striking “\$0.009” and inserting “\$0.02”;

(iv) by striking “\$0.016” and inserting “\$0.04”;

(v) by striking “\$0.040” and inserting “\$0.07”;

(vi) by striking “\$0.063” and inserting “\$0.10”;

(vii) by striking “\$0.087” and inserting “\$0.12”;

(viii) by striking “\$0.142” and inserting “\$0.14”; and

(ix) by adding at the end of the table the following:

“\$8.50	“\$0.16
\$9.00	\$0.18”; and

In section 1401(h), strike paragraph (4) and insert the following:

(4) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) by striking the rows relating to the \$4.00, \$4.50, and \$5.00 coverage levels;

(B) by striking “\$0.100” and inserting “\$0.144”;

(C) by striking “\$0.155” and inserting “\$0.24”;

(D) by striking “\$0.290” and inserting “\$0.42”;

(E) by striking “\$0.830” and inserting “\$1.08”;

(F) by striking “\$1.060” and inserting “\$1.32”; and

(G) by striking “\$1.360” and inserting “\$1.68”;

In section 1431(j) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (as amended by section 1413(a)), strike “\$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2019 and” and insert “\$8,000,000 for fiscal year 2019, and \$5,000,000 for”.

SA 3178. Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr. BENNET) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural

and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PROHIBITION.

(a) AMENDMENT.—Chapter 2 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“§ 40A. Use of unauthorized unmanned aircrafts over wildfires

“(a) UNMANNED AIRCRAFT DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘unmanned aircraft’ has the meaning given the term in section 331 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (49 U.S.C. 40101 note).

“(b) OFFENSE.—It shall be unlawful for any person to operate an unmanned aircraft over a wildfire without authorization from relevant Federal agency personnel or any individual designated by a State or unit of local government to authorize such activity.

“(c) PENALTY.—Any person who violates subsection (b) shall be fined under this title, imprisoned for not less than 1 year, or both.”

(b) TABLE OF SECTIONS AMENDMENT.—The table of section for chapter 2 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 40 the following:

“40A. Use of unauthorized unmanned aircrafts over wildfires.”.

SA 3179. Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. BROWN, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 43 _____. PURCHASES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED FOODS UNDER SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM.

Section 9(j)(3) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(j)(3)) is amended—

(1) by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(2) by striking “Program, to use” and inserting the following: “Program—

“(A) to use”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) to use ‘locally grown’, ‘locally raised’, or ‘locally caught’ as a product specification.”.

SA 3180. Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. RISCH, and Mrs. MCCASKILL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125 _____. USE OF AUTHORIZED PESTICIDES; DISCHARGES OF PESTICIDES; REPORT.

(a) USE OF AUTHORIZED PESTICIDES.—Section 3(f) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136a(f)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(5) USE OF AUTHORIZED PESTICIDES.—Except as provided in section 402(s) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1342), the Administrator or a State shall not require a permit under that Act for a discharge from a point source into navigable waters of—

“(A) a pesticide authorized for sale, distribution, or use under this Act; or

“(B) the residue of the pesticide, resulting from the application of the pesticide.”.

(b) DISCHARGES OF PESTICIDES.—Section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(s) DISCHARGES OF PESTICIDES.—

“(1) NO PERMIT REQUIREMENT.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), a permit shall not be required by the Administrator or a State under this Act for a discharge from a point source into navigable waters of—

“(A) a pesticide authorized for sale, distribution, or use under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.); or

“(B) the residue of the pesticide, resulting from the application of the pesticide.

“(2) EXCEPTIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the following discharges of a pesticide or pesticide residue:

“(A) A discharge resulting from the application of a pesticide in violation of a provision of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.) relevant to protecting water quality if—

“(i) the discharge would not have occurred without the violation; or

“(ii) the amount of pesticide or pesticide residue in the discharge is greater than would have occurred without the violation.

“(B) Stormwater discharges subject to regulation under subsection (p).

“(C) The following discharges subject to regulation under this section:

“(i) Manufacturing or industrial effluent.

“(ii) Treatment works effluent.

“(iii) Discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel, including a discharge resulting from ballasting operations or vessel biofouling prevention.”.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, in consultation with the Secretary, shall submit a report to the Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives that includes—

(1) the status of intra-agency coordination between the Office of Water and the Office of Pesticide Programs of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding streamlining information collection, standards of review, and data use relating to water quality impacts from the registration and use of pesticides;

(2) an analysis of the effectiveness of current regulatory actions relating to pesticide registration and use aimed at protecting water quality; and

(3) any recommendations on how the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.) can be modified to better protect water quality and human health.

SA 3181. Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023,

and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 9107 and insert the following:

SEC. 9107. RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM.

Section 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(1)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) to purchase and install efficient energy equipment or systems.”;

(2) in subsection (e), by striking “(g)” each place it appears and inserting “(f)”;

(3) by striking subsection (f);

(4) by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (f); and

(5) in subsection (f) (as so redesignated), in paragraph (3), by striking “\$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2018” and inserting “\$50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023”.

SA 3182. Mr. TESTER (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Ms. HEITKAMP) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VI, add the following:

SEC. 62 _____. EXPANSION AND CLARIFICATION OF EXISTING AUTHORITY.

Section 306F of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 936f) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Rural Utilities Service” in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) and all that follows through the period at the end of subparagraph (B) and inserting “rural development mission area.”; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, including a community within any former Indian reservation,” before “with respect to which”; and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Rural Utilities Service to qualified utilities or applicants” and inserting “rural development mission area to qualified applicants”; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Rural Utilities Service to facilitate the construction, acquisition, or improvement of infrastructure” and inserting “rural development mission area”.

SA 3183. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 43 _____. MEDICALLY TAILORED MEALS PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible entity” means an entity that is a partnership between a food organization and a health organization.

(2) **FOOD ORGANIZATION.**—The term “food organization” means—

(A) a medically tailored meals organization;

(B) an emergency feeding organization (as defined in section 201A of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7501));

(C) a senior center or other organization that provides meals to older individuals;

(D) a farmer’s market;

(E) a community-supported agriculture program;

(F) an agricultural cooperative;

(G) a local public benefit corporation; and

(H) a nonprofit organization focused on food insecurity or improving local food systems, such as a food hub or a Meals on Wheels program.

(3) **HEALTH ORGANIZATION.**—The term “health organization” means—

(A) a Federally-qualified health center (as defined in section 1905(l)(2)(B) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(1)(2)(B)));

(B) a hospital or clinic operated by the Department of Veterans Affairs;

(C) a facility operated by the Indian Health Service or the governing body of an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304));

(D) a nonprofit hospital that is—

(i) a critical access hospital (as defined in section 1861(mm)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(mm)(1)));

(ii) a disproportionate share hospital that receives payments under section 1886(d)(5)(F) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(F)); or

(iii) a Medicare-dependent, small rural hospital (as defined in section 1886(d)(5)(G)(iv) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(G)(iv))); and

(E) a sole community hospital (as defined in section 1886(d)(5)(D)(iii) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(D)(iii))).

(4) **LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD.**—The term “low-income household” means a household—

(A) in which 1 or more individuals are receiving—

(i) assistance under a State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.);

(ii) supplemental security income payments under title XVI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.);

(iii) supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.);

(iv) assistance under the Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.);

(v) free or reduced price school meals under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) or the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.);

(vi) assistance under the low-income home energy assistance program established under the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 8621 et seq.); or

(vii) payments under—

(I) section 1315, 1521, 1541, or 1542 of title 38, United States Code; or

(II) section 306 of the Veterans’ and Survivors’ Pension Improvement Act of 1978 (38 U.S.C. 1521 note; Public Law 95-588); or

(B) that has an income that, as determined by the State in which the household is located, does not exceed the greater of—

(i) an amount equal to 200 percent of the poverty level for that State; and

(ii) an amount equal to 80 percent of the median income for that State.

(5) **MEDICALLY TAILORED MEALS ORGANIZATION.**—The term “medically tailored meals organization” means an entity that has experience providing medically tailored meals

and individualized medical nutrition therapy or nutrition counseling to meal recipients, as determined by the Secretary.

(6) **MEDICALLY TAILORED MEALS PROGRAM.**—The term “medically tailored meals program” means a program under which meals are designed by a registered dietitian or other nutrition professional, as determined by the Secretary, to benefit a low-income individual with a chronic condition.

(7) **WELLNESS.**—The term “wellness” means the 8 dimensions of wellness described by the Secretary of Health and Human Services for purposes of the Eight Dimensions of Wellness program administered by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

(b) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary, in coordination with other applicable Federal agencies, shall establish a program under which the Secretary shall award grants to eligible entities to conduct pilot projects to demonstrate and evaluate the impact of a medically tailored meals program on low-income individuals with 1 or more chronic conditions that may be improved by access to a healthy diet.

(2) **DURATION.**—The Secretary shall carry out the program under paragraph (1) for a 5-year period beginning on the date that is 5 months after the date of enactment of this Act.

(3) **LOCATION.**—The Secretary shall award grants under paragraph (1) to eligible entities that are located in not less than 10 States.

(c) **GRANTS.**—

(1) **APPLICATION.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection (b)(1), an eligible entity shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary shall require, including the information described in subparagraph (B).

(B) **CONTENTS.**—An application submitted under subparagraph (A) shall include—

(i) a description of the methods by which a medically tailored meals program will target low-income individuals with 1 or more chronic conditions that may be improved by access to a healthy diet;

(ii) a plan for the screening and enrollment of the individuals targeted under clause (i);

(iii) a plan for the evaluation of each individual that is participating in the medically tailored meals program—

(I)(aa) at the time of entrance into the program, after 3 months of participation in the program, and after 6 months of participation in the program; or

(bb) halfway through the duration of the program and at the completion of the program; and

(II) that includes a plan to conduct an assessment of—

(aa) the health of the individual, including—

(AA) the effect on each identified chronic condition of the individual and on the overall health of the individual;

(BB) the reliance of the individual on medication to control each identified chronic condition of the individual; and

(CC) the perception of the individual of the overall personal health and wellness of that individual;

(bb) any reduction of individual and household food insecurity;

(cc) any reduction in overall health care spending and costs, including out-of-pocket costs, in-patient hospitalization, emergency department visits, emergency transport, and spending on medication;

(dd) any increased consumption of domestic fruits and vegetables; and

(ee) any other clinically significant factor, as determined by the Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(iv) a description of a plan to include educational opportunities relating to nutrition for individuals participating in a medically tailored meals program;

(v) a description of the partnership that constitutes the eligible entity and the role of each partner in carrying out a medically tailored meals program;

(vi) documentation of any necessary partnership agreements or memoranda of understanding with a State Medicaid agency or other appropriate entity to evaluate the effectiveness of a medically tailored meals program in reducing health care use and associated costs; and

(vii) a description of the methodology for the collection and aggregation of data under subsection (d)(1) to analyze the benefit of a medically tailored meals program on individuals participating in that program.

(C) **SUBMISSION DEADLINE.**—The Secretary shall not accept an application under subparagraph (A) that is submitted less than 1 year before the date on which the program terminates under subsection (b)(2).

(2) **PRIORITY.**—The Secretary shall give priority to an eligible entity submitting an application under paragraph (1) that—

(A) is a nonprofit organization that has demonstrable experience, as determined by the Secretary, in—

(i) providing medically tailored meals to individuals;

(ii) reducing individual and household food insecurity; or

(iii) providing low-income individuals with access to health care;

(B) is located in a State that has one of the 5 oldest populations, as measured by median age;

(C) is located in a State that has an agreement with the Federal Government that contains targets for health outcomes and quality of care that include prioritization of chronic conditions; or

(D) has demonstrated support for the development of local or regional agriculture and food systems, as determined by the Secretary.

(3) **GRANT DURATION.**—A grant awarded under this section shall be for a period of not less than 2 years.

(d) **PILOT PROJECTS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—An eligible entity conducting a pilot project under a grant awarded under subsection (b)(1) shall measure and evaluate the impact of the pilot project on the factors described in items (aa) through (ee) of subsection (c)(1)(B)(iii)(II).

(2) **INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION.**—An eligible entity conducting a pilot project under a grant awarded under subsection (b)(1) shall ensure that an individual participating in the pilot project is enrolled and active in the pilot project for not less than 1 year.

(e) **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**—Of the funds under subsection (g), the Secretary may use not more than \$1,000,000 to provide technical assistance to eligible entities awarded grants under subsection (b)(1).

(f) **REPORT.**—Not later than 180 days after the termination of the program under subsection (b)(2), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate a report that contains the recommendations of the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Human Services—

(1) on the advisability and feasibility of the continuation or expansion of that program; and

(2) that are based on the impact of the program on the factors described in items (aa) through (ee) of subsection (c)(1)(B)(iii)(II).

(g) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

SA 3184. Mr. YOUNG (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COONS, and Mr. GARDNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 12520. NATIONAL ECONOMIC SECURITY STRATEGY.

(a) **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the national security of the United States depends in large part on a vibrant, growing, and secure United States economy;

(2) the United States confronts more international economic competition and threats today than at any time in the Nation's history;

(3) a failure of the United States to compete economically will undermine the prosperity and security of the people of the United States;

(4) the United States is stronger when the national security strategy integrates economic tools in the service of foreign policy objectives;

(5) it is in the national security and economic interests of the United States—

(A) to promote free, fair, and reciprocal economic relationships between the United States and foreign individuals and entities;

(B) to promote and protect the United States innovation base, including the defense industrial base;

(C) to ensure that the United States leads in research, technology, and innovation;

(D) to counter anticompetitive economic behavior, policies, and strategies by foreign individuals and entities;

(E) to promote environmental stewardship; and

(F) to ensure workers and families in the United States have the opportunity to thrive with competitive wages and are not unfairly disadvantaged;

(6) the Federal Government has a limited, but important, role in facilitating the ability of the United States to compete successfully in the international economic competition described in paragraph (2); and

(7) the Federal Government should periodically produce a national economic security strategy—

(A) to ensure Federal policies, statutes, regulations, procedures, data gathering, and assessment practices are optimally designed and implemented to facilitate the competitiveness, prosperity, and security of the United States; and

(B) maximally advance economic opportunity for present and future generations of United States citizens.

(b) **STRATEGY REQUIRED.**—

(1) **INITIAL STRATEGY.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President, in coordination with the National Security Council and the National Economic Council and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-

port setting forth a national economic security strategy of the United States to support the national security strategy for 2017.

(2) **SUBSEQUENT STRATEGIES.**—Beginning in 2021, the President, in coordination with the National Security Council and the National Economic Council and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a national economic security strategy—

(A) in any year in which a new President is inaugurated, not later than October 1 of that year; and

(B) in any other year, not later than 90 days after the transmission to Congress in that year of the national security strategy.

(c) **ELEMENTS.**—Each report required by subsection (b) shall set forth a national economic security strategy of the United States and shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(1) An assessment of the global competitive position of key United States economic sectors, including strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.

(2) An assessment of the national debt and its implications for the economic and national security of the United States.

(3) A description and discussion of the prioritized economic security interests and objectives of the United States, including key economic sectors vital to economic security of the United States.

(4) A description of the leading threats, challenges, and opportunities associated with the interests and objectives described in paragraph (3), including—

(A) an assessment of the severity and likelihood of the threats, both foreign and domestic, and an explicit linking of each such threat to a national interest or objective;

(B) an assessment of the nature of the challenges and how each challenge will evolve if left unaddressed; and

(C) an assessment of the opportunities and associated potential benefits to United States interests or objectives.

(5) An overview of the public and private sector tools necessary to address or minimize the leading threats and challenges described in paragraph (4) and to take advantage of the leading opportunities described in that paragraph.

(6) An assessment of whether the United States Government or private sector possesses those tools.

(7) For each such threat, challenge, or opportunity that the United States Government or private sector lack sufficient tools to address, minimize, or take advantage of, a detailed plan to develop, improve, or foster those tools.

(8) A plan to utilize available tools to address or minimize the leading threats and challenges and to take advantage of the leading opportunities, including—

(A) a discussion of the optimal allocation of finite resources and an identification of the risks associated with that allocation;

(B) specific objectives, tasks, metrics, and milestones for each relevant Federal agency;

(C) specific plans to eliminate obstacles for the private sector in areas supportive of the national economic security strategy and to maximize the prudent use of public-private partnerships;

(D) specific plans to eliminate obstacles to strengthening United States energy security, sustainability, and resilience in areas supportive of the national economic security strategy, including energy diversity and sustainable management and use of energy resources;

(E) specific plans to promote environmental stewardship and fair competition for United States workers;

(F) a description of—

(i) how the national economic security strategy supports the national security strategy; and

(ii) how the national economic security strategy is integrated and coordinated with the most recent national defense strategy under section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code;

(G) a plan to encourage the governments of countries that are allies or partners of the United States to cooperate with the execution of the national economic security strategy, where appropriate; and

(H) a plan to encourage certain international and multilateral organizations to support the implementation of the national economic security strategy.

(9) An identification of any additional resources or statutory authorizations necessary to implement the national economic security strategy.

(d) **FORM OF REPORT.**—Each report required by subsection (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(e) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.**—The term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

(2) **NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY.**—The term “national security strategy” means the national security strategy required by section 108 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3043).

SA 3185. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . REGULATORY RELIEF FOR BANKS DURING DISASTERS.

(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section—

(1) the terms “depository institution” and “State” have the meanings given those terms in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813); and

(2) the term “major disaster” has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122).

(b) **REQUIREMENT.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 15 days after the date on which a designated point of contact within the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation receives notice from the President or the Governor of a State that the President has declared a major disaster under section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170) or the Governor has declared a state of disaster for all or part of that State, as applicable, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation shall issue guidance to depository institutions located in the area for which the President declared the

major disaster or the Governor declared a state of disaster, as applicable, for reducing regulatory burdens for borrowers and communities in order to facilitate recovery from the disaster.

(2) **CONTENTS.**—The guidance issued under paragraph (1) shall include instructions from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation consistent with existing flexibility for a major disaster declared under section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170).

(c) **ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE.**—Not later than 180 days of the date of enactment of this Act, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the National Credit Union Administration shall jointly issue guidance for depository institutions affected by a state of disaster that is comparable to the guidance issued by those entities in December 2017 entitled “Interagency Supervisory Examiner Guidance for Institutions Affected by a Major Disaster”.

SA 3186. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. CRUZ) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1501, strike “(c) TREE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.” and insert the following:

(c) **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR LIVESTOCK, HONEY BEES, AND FARM-RAISED FISH.**—Section 1501(d)(2) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9081(d)(2)) is amended by inserting “, including inspections of cattle tick fever” before the period at the end.

(d) **TREE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**—

SA 3187. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86. RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST.

(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **ASSOCIATED FACILITY.**—The term “associated facility” means any facility or corridor needed to access, develop, construct, or maintain renewable a renewable energy resource project.

(2) **RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE.**—The term “renewable energy resource” means public or private hydropower, geothermal, wind, hydrokinetic, solar, wave, or biomass.

(b) **RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE LAND USE DESIGNATION.**—As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall amend the land and resource management plan for the Tongass National Forest to include a renewable energy resource land use designation to allow for the planning, design, permitting, and development of renewable energy resource projects, plans of operations, and associated facilities.

(c) **APPLICATION OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE LAND USE DESIGNATION.**—The renewable energy resource land use designation included in the land and resource management plan for the Tongass National Forest under subsection (b) shall—

(1) function as an overlay; and

(2) take precedence over any underlying land use designation, subject to applicable law, regardless of whether the area is identified as an avoidance area in the land and resource management plan for the Tongass National Forest.

SA 3188. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 84. STEWARDSHIP END RESULT CONTRACTING PROJECTS.

Section 604(d)(3)(B) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591c(d)(3)(B)) is amended by striking “exceed 10 years.” and inserting the following “exceed—

“(1) in the case of a project carried out in Forest Service Region 10, 20 years; and

“(2) in the case of a project carried out in any other region of the Forest Service, 10 years.”.

SA 3189. Ms. MURKOWSKI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 84. MAXIMUM TERM OF CONTRACT FOR STEWARDSHIP END RESULT CONTRACTING PROJECTS.

Section 604(d)(3)(B) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591c(d)(3)(B)) is amended by striking “10” and inserting “20”.

SA 3190. Mr. DONNELLY (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 366, strike lines 5 through 14 and insert the following:

“(v) for fiscal year 2019, \$45,000,000;

“(vi) for fiscal year 2020, \$48,000,000;

“(vii) for fiscal year 2021, \$49,000,000;

“(viii) for fiscal year 2022, \$50,000,000; and

“(ix) for fiscal year 2023, \$50,000,000; and”;

SA 3191. Mr. DONNELLY (for himself, Ms. SMITH, and Mrs. FISCHER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 6105, insert the following:

SEC. 6106. FUNDING FOR RURAL-SERVING COMMUNITY COLLEGES; DEPOSIT IN RURAL FACILITIES ACCOUNT.

(a) **FUNDING FOR RURAL-SERVING COMMUNITY COLLEGES.**—Section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)) (as amended by section 6105) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(28) **RURAL-SERVING COMMUNITY COLLEGES.**—

“(A) **DEFINITION OF RURAL-SERVING COMMUNITY COLLEGE.**—In this paragraph, the term ‘rural-serving community college’ means a community college (as defined in section 1473E(a) of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3319e(a))) that—

“(i)(I) predominantly serves a rural area or is located in a rural area; but

“(II) is not located in a town with a population greater than 50,000; and

“(ii) submits to the Secretary an application for a loan, loan guarantee, or grant under this paragraph at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

“(B) **LOANS, LOAN GUARANTEES, AND GRANTS.**—The Secretary may provide loans, loan guarantees, and grants to rural-serving community colleges in accordance with the purposes of paragraphs (1), (19), (20), and (21).

“(C) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this paragraph \$10,000,000 for each fiscal year.”.

(b) **DEPOSIT IN RURAL FACILITIES ACCOUNT.**—Section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009d(d)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or” at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) loans, loan guarantees, and grants to rural-serving community colleges under section 306(a)(28).”.

SA 3192. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1601(1)(B), strike clause (iv) and insert the following:

(iv) in subparagraph (D) (as so redesignated)—

(I) by striking “This paragraph” and inserting the following:

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to clause (ii), this paragraph”;

(II) in clause (i) (as so designated), by striking “and Nebraska” and inserting “Nebraska, California, Illinois, and New Mexico”; and

(III) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii) **ELECTION.**—A governor of a State other than a State described in clause (i) may elect to have this paragraph apply to the State.”;

In section 11114, strike paragraph (4) and insert the following:

(4) in paragraph (4) (as so redesignated)—

(A) by striking “This subsection” and inserting the following:

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to subparagraph (B), this subsection”;

(B) in subparagraph (A) (as so designated), by striking “and Nebraska” and inserting

“Nebraska, California, Illinois, and New Mexico”;

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) ELECTION.—A governor of a State other than a State described in subparagraph (A) may elect to have this paragraph apply to the State.”.

SA 3193. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1114, strike paragraph (4) and insert the following:

(4) in paragraph (4) (as so redesignated)—

(A) by striking “This subsection” and inserting the following:

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), this subsection”;

(B) in subparagraph (A) (as so designated), by striking “and Nebraska” and inserting “Nebraska, Illinois, California, and New Mexico”;

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) ELECTION.—A governor of a State other than a State described in subparagraph (A) may elect to have this paragraph apply to the State.”.

SA 3194. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 1601(1)(B), strike clause (iv) and insert the following:

(iv) in subparagraph (D) (as so redesignated)—

(I) by striking “This paragraph” and inserting the following:

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (ii), this paragraph”;

(II) in clause (i) (as so designated), by striking “and Nebraska” and inserting “Nebraska, Illinois, California, and New Mexico”;

(III) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii) ELECTION.—A governor of a State other than a State described in clause (i) may elect to have this paragraph apply to the State.”;

SA 3195. Mr. UDALL (for himself, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. SMITH, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. HEITKAMP) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 12519. SELF-DETERMINATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT WITH DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5321

et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 112. SELF-DETERMINATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT WITH DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ADJACENT LAND.—The term ‘adjacent land’, when used with respect to an Indian tribe, means National Forest System land that is—

“(A) under the jurisdiction of the Secretary; and

“(B) bordering or adjacent to the Indian forest land or rangeland under the jurisdiction of the Indian tribe.

“(2) COVERED ACTIVITY.—The term ‘covered activity’ means an activity authorized under section 2(b) of the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 (25 U.S.C. 3115a et seq.) on adjacent land that—

“(A) addresses—

“(i) fire, disease, or any other threat to the Indian forest land or rangeland under the jurisdiction of the Indian tribe; or

“(ii) land restoration that will benefit the Indian forest land or rangeland; and

“(B) complies with the applicable land management plan prepared pursuant to section 6 of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).

“(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible entity’ means an Indian tribe that can demonstrate a history of success in managing forest activities, including forestry activities carried out through contracts or self-governance compacts under this Act.

“(4) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LAND.—The term ‘National Forest System land’ has the meaning given the term ‘Federal land’ in section 2(a)(1)(A) of the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 (25 U.S.C. 3115a(a)(1)(A)).

“(5) INDIAN FOREST LAND OR RANGELAND.—The term ‘Indian forest land or rangeland’ has the meaning given the term in section 2(a)(2) of the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 (25 U.S.C. 3115a(a)(2)).

“(6) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of Agriculture.

“(b) USDA FORESTRY SELF-DETERMINATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary shall carry out a demonstration project, to be known as the ‘USDA Forestry Self-Determination Demonstration Project’, through which the Secretary shall enter into not more than 10 self-determination contracts with eligible entities to plan, conduct, and administer 1 or more covered activities in accordance with this section.

“(c) SELF-DETERMINATION CONTRACT.—A self-determination contract entered into under subsection (b) shall have the same terms and conditions, and be subject to the same procedures, regulations, and requirements, as a self-determination contract entered into under section 102, except that—

“(1) the Secretary and the Department of Agriculture shall be the appropriate Secretary and agency for purposes of a self-determination contract under this section;

“(2) not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary shall develop a procedure, in consultation with Indian tribes, for Indian tribes to submit proposals for participation in the demonstration project;

“(3) to the extent that a self-determination contract is requested regarding a covered activity that is similar to functions already carried out by a tribal organization under a self-determination contract with the Secretary of the Interior under section 102, the Secretary of Agriculture shall structure the self-determination contract under this section to complement, to the extent practicable, the self-determination contract entered into under section 102; and

“(4) the Secretary, in consultation with the eligible entity, may waive any provision of this title (except for any provision of this section)—

“(A) upon the request of the eligible entity in accordance with this Act; or

“(B) that the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

“(d) ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—

“(1) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.—This section shall be construed, in the same manner as the Tribal Forest Protection Act is construed, to not alter or abridge the application of any of the following:

“(A) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

“(B) The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

“(C) The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.).

“(D) Any other applicable Federal environmental law.

“(2) ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSES.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to allow the Secretary or an eligible entity to waive completion of any necessary environmental analysis under the Tribal Forest Protection Act (25 U.S.C. 3115a) or other applicable Federal law.

“(3) RETENTION OF NEPA RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Secretary shall make any decision required to be made under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and the Tribal Forest Protection Act (25 U.S.C. 3115a) with respect to any covered activity to be carried out on National Forest System land under this section.

“(4) APPLICABILITY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.—Nothing in this section shall alter or abridge the application of subchapter II of chapter 5, or chapter 7, of title 5, United States Code with respect to this section.

“(e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Office of Self-Governance of the Bureau of Indian Affairs shall provide technical assistance regarding the self-determination contracts authorized under this section to the Secretary, and to Indian tribes and tribal organizations who request such assistance.

“(f) CONSIDERATION REQUIREMENTS.—In addition to the criteria described in subparagraphs (A) through (E) of section 102(a)(2) and the authority under subsection (c)(4), the Secretary shall consider the selection criteria described in section 2(c) of the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 (25 U.S.C. 3115a(c)) and the evaluation factors found in section 2(e) of that Act in considering a request to enter into a self-determination contract under this section.

“(g) LIMITATIONS.—Any self-determination contract entered into under this section, and the covered activities to be carried out under such contract, shall—

“(1) not affect the title to or status of National Forest System land;

“(2) be carried out in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.), and other laws (including regulations) generally applicable to the National Forest System; and

“(3) not take place in a wilderness area, wilderness study area, inventoried roadless area, or National Forest System land on which the removal of vegetation is restricted or prohibited.

“(h) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—To provide sufficient support for the USDA Forestry Self-Determination Demonstration Project, the authority provided under subsection (b) shall terminate 5 years after the date on which the Secretary enters into the first self-determination contract under this section.

“(i) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the termination described in subsection (h), the Secretary shall submit a report on the implementation of the USDA Forestry Self-Determination Demonstration Project to the following:

“(1) The Committee on Agriculture of the Senate.

“(2) The Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate.

“(3) The Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives.

“(4) The Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.”.

SA 3196. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY ACT AMENDMENT.

Section 2 of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(c) EXCEPTION FOR BLACK VULTURES.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to any black vulture (*Coragyps atratus*) that an individual reasonably believes to be endangering any real or personal property, including—

“(1) livestock;

“(2) a vehicle; and

“(3) a building.”.

SA 3197. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . ELECTRONIC FILING AND APPEALS SYSTEM FOR H-2A PETITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall establish a process for filing petitions for non-immigrant visas under section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a)) that ensures that—

(1) petitioners may file such petitions through the website of United States Citizenship and Immigration Services;

(2) any software developed to process such petitions indicates to the petitioner any technical deficiency in the application before submission; and

(3) any petitioner may file such petition in a paper format if such petitioner prefers such format.

(b) REQUEST FOR EVIDENCE.—Section 218(h) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1188(h)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(3) If U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services issues a Request for Evidence to an employer—

“(A) the employer may request such Request for Evidence to be delivered in an online format; and

“(B) if the employer makes the request described in subparagraph (A)—

“(i) the Request for Evidence shall be provided to the employer in an online format; and

“(ii) not later than 10 business days after the employer submits the requested evidence online, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services shall provide an online response to the employer—

“(I) indicating that the submitted evidence is sufficient; or

“(II) explaining the reasons that such evidence is not sufficient and providing the employer with an opportunity to address any such deficiency.”.

SEC. . H-2A PROGRAM UPDATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a)) is amended by inserting “, labor as a year-round equine worker, labor as a year-round livestock worker (including as a dairy or poultry worker)” before “, and the pressing of apples”.

(b) JOINT APPLICATION; DEFICIENCY REMEDY.—Section 214(c)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(1)) is amended—

(1) by inserting “(A)” after “(1)”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) Multiple employers may submit a joint petition under subparagraph (A) to import aliens as nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a). Upon the approval of such petition, each joint employer shall be subject to the provisions under section 218 with respect to each alien listed in such petition. If any individual party to such a joint contract violates any condition for approval with respect to the application or provisions under section 218 with respect to each alien listed in such petition, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, the contract may be modified to remove the party in violation from the contract at no penalty to the remaining parties.

“(C) If a petition to import aliens as nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) is denied or if the issuance of visas requested through such petition is delayed due to a problem with the petition, the Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services shall promptly notify the petitioner of the reasons for such denial or delay and provide the petitioner with reasonable time to remedy the problem.

“(D) The period of authorized admission for a nonimmigrant described in section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) under this paragraph may not exceed the shorter of—

“(i) the period for which a petitioner under this paragraph has contracted to employ the nonimmigrant; or

“(ii) three years.”.

(c) LABOR CERTIFICATION; STAGGERED EMPLOYMENT DATES.—Section 218(h) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1188(h)), as amended by section (b), is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“(4) An employer that is seeking to rehire aliens as H-2A workers who previously worked for the employer as H-2A workers may submit a simplified petition, to be developed by the Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Labor, which shall include a certification that the employer maintains compliance with all applicable requirements with respect to the employment of such aliens. Such petitions shall be approved upon completion of applicable security screenings.

“(5) An employer that is seeking to hire aliens as H-2A workers during different time periods in a given fiscal year may submit a single petition to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services that details the time period during which each such alien is expected to be employed.

“(6) Upon receiving notification from an employer that the employer’s H-2A worker

has prematurely abandoned employment or has failed to appear for employment and such employer wishes to replace such worker—

“(A) the Secretary of State shall promptly issue a visa under section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) to an eligible alien designated by the employer to replace that worker; and

“(B) the Secretary of Homeland Security shall promptly admit such alien into the United States upon completion of applicable security screenings.”.

(d) SATISFACTION OF HOUSING REQUIREMENTS BY VOUCHER.—Section 218(c)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1188(c)(4)) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding the first proviso—

(A) by inserting “or a voucher for housing” after “furnish housing”;

(B) by striking “or to secure” and inserting “, to secure”;

(C) by inserting “, or to provide a voucher to be used by workers in securing such housing” before the semicolon;

(2) in the fourth proviso, by inserting “or a voucher for family housing” after “family housing” the second place it appears; and

(3) in the fifth proviso—

(A) by inserting “or housing vouchers” after “secure housing”; and

(B) by inserting “or housing voucher” after “whether the housing”.

SA 3198. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title XI, add the following:

SEC. 11618. SECURE AND FAIR BANKING ENFORCEMENT.

(a) SAFE HARBOR FOR DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS.—A Federal banking regulator may not—

(1) terminate or limit the deposit insurance or share insurance of a depository institution under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1811 et seq.) or the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) solely because the depository institution provides or has provided financial services to a hemp-related legitimate business;

(2) prohibit, penalize, or otherwise discourage a depository institution from providing financial services to a hemp-related legitimate business or to a State or Indian tribe that exercises jurisdiction over hemp-related legitimate businesses;

(3) recommend, incentivize, or encourage a depository institution not to offer financial services to the owner, operator, or an individual that is an account holder of a hemp-related legitimate business, or downgrade or cancel financial services offered to an account holder of a hemp-related legitimate business solely because—

(A) the account holder later becomes a hemp-related legitimate business; or

(B) the depository institution was not aware that the account holder is the owner or operator of a hemp-related legitimate business; and

(4) take any adverse or corrective supervisory action on a loan to an owner or operator of—

(A) a hemp-related legitimate business solely because the business owner or operator is a hemp-related business without express statutory authority, as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of this Act; or

(B) real estate or equipment that is leased or sold to a hemp-related legitimate business solely because the owner or operator of the real estate or equipment leased or sold the equipment or real estate to a hemp-related legitimate business.

(b) PROTECTIONS UNDER FEDERAL LAW.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In a State, political subdivision of a State, or Indian country that allows the cultivation, production, manufacturing, transportation, display, dispensing, distribution, sale, or purchase of hemp pursuant to a law (including regulations) of the State, political subdivision of the State, or the Indian tribe that has jurisdiction over the Indian country, as applicable, a depository institution and the officers, director, and employees of the depository institution that provides financial services to a hemp-related legitimate business may not be held liable pursuant to any Federal law (including regulations)—

(A) solely for providing the financial services pursuant to the law (including regulations) of the State, political subdivision of the State, or Indian tribe; or

(B) for further investing any income derived from the financial services.

(2) FORFEITURE.—A depository institution that has a legal interest in the collateral for a loan made to an owner or operator of a hemp-related legitimate business, or to an owner or operator of real estate or equipment that is leased or sold to a hemp-related legitimate business, shall not be subject to criminal, civil, or administrative forfeiture of that legal interest pursuant to any Federal law for providing the loan or other financial services solely because the collateral is owned by a hemp-related business.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall require a depository institution to provide financial services to a hemp-related legitimate business.

(d) REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTS.—Section 5318(g) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(5) REQUIREMENTS FOR HEMP-RELATED BUSINESSES.—

“(A) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph—

“(i) the term ‘financial service’ means a financial product or service, as defined in section 1002 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (12 U.S.C. 5481);

“(ii) the term ‘hemp’ has the meaning given the term in section 10111 of the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018;

“(iii) the term ‘hemp-related legitimate business’ has the meaning given the term in section 11618(e) of the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018;

“(iv) the term ‘Indian country’ has the meaning given the term in section 1151 of title 18; and

“(v) the term ‘Indian tribe’ has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 479a).

“(B) REPORTING OF SUSPICIOUS TRANSACTIONS.—A financial institution or any director, officer, employee, or agent of a financial institution that reports a suspicious activity related to a transaction by a hemp-related legitimate business shall comply with appropriate guidance issued by the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network. The Secretary shall ensure that the guidance is consistent with the purpose and intent of this paragraph and does not inhibit the provision of financial services to a hemp-related legitimate business in a State, political subdivision of a State, or Indian country that has allowed the cultivation, production, manufacturing, transportation, display, dispensing, distribution, sale, or purchase of hemp, or any other conduct relating to

hemp, pursuant to law or regulation of the State, the political subdivision of the State, or Indian tribe that has jurisdiction over the Indian country.”.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COMPANY.—The term “company” means a partnership, corporation, association, (incorporated or unincorporated), trust, estate, cooperative organization, State, or any other entity.

(2) DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The term “depository institution” means—

(A) a depository institution as defined in section 3(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813(c));

(B) a Federal credit union as defined in section 101 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1752); or

(C) a State credit union as defined in section 101 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1752).

(3) FEDERAL BANKING REGULATOR.—The term “Federal banking regulator” means each of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the National Credit Union Administration, or any Federal agency or department that regulates banking or financial services, as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury.

(4) FINANCIAL SERVICE.—The term “financial service” means a financial product or service, as defined in section 1002 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (12 U.S.C. 5481).

(5) HEMP.—The term “hemp” has the meaning given the term in section 10111.

(6) HEMP PRODUCT.—The term “hemp product” means any article which contains hemp, including an article which is a concentrate, an edible, a tincture, a hemp-infused product, or a topical.

(7) HEMP-RELATED LEGITIMATE BUSINESS.—The term “hemp-related legitimate business” means a manufacturer, producer, or any person or company that—

(A) engages in any activity described in subparagraph (B) pursuant to a law established by a State or a political subdivision of a State; and

(B)(i) participates in any business or organized activity that involves handling hemp or hemp products, including cultivating, producing, manufacturing, selling, transporting, displaying, dispensing, distributing, or purchasing hemp or hemp products; or

(ii) provides—

(I) any financial service, including retirement plans or exchange traded funds, relating to hemp; or

(II) any business services, including the sale or lease of real or any other property, legal or other licensed services, or any other ancillary service, relating to hemp.

(8) INDIAN COUNTRY.—The term “Indian country” has the meaning given the term in section 1151 of title 18, United States Code.

(9) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “Indian tribe” has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 479a).

(10) MANUFACTURER.—The term “manufacturer” means a person or company who manufactures, compounds, converts, processes, prepares, or packages hemp or hemp products.

(11) PRODUCER.—The term “producer” means a person or company who plants, cultivates, harvests, or in any way facilitates the natural growth of hemp.

(12) STATE.—The term “State” means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, any territory or possession of the United States.

SA 3199. Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. MORAN, and Mrs. FISCHER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUST FOR BENEFIT OF UNPAID CASH SELLERS OF LIVESTOCK.

Title III of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 201 et seq.), is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 318. STATUTORY TRUST ESTABLISHED; DEALER.

“(a) DEFINITION OF CASH SALE.—In this section, the term ‘cash sale’ means a sale in which the seller does not expressly extend credit to the buyer.

“(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), all livestock purchased by a dealer in cash sales and all inventories of, or receivables or proceeds from, that livestock shall be held by the dealer in trust for the benefit of all unpaid cash sellers of that livestock until full payment has been received by those unpaid cash sellers.

“(2) EXEMPTION.—This section shall not apply to a dealer the amount of average annual purchases of livestock of which does not exceed \$250,000.

“(3) WAIVER.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A dealer and a cash seller may voluntarily waive the applicability of this section to the dealer and cash seller through a written agreement described in subparagraph (B) that is signed before any sale to which the written agreement applies takes place.

“(B) WRITTEN AGREEMENT.—A written agreement referred to in subparagraph (A) shall indicate whether the written agreement applies to—

“(i) 1 sale;

“(ii) all sales before a specific date; or

“(iii) all sales until the dealer or cash seller terminates the agreement in writing.

“(C) EFFECT ON PAYMENT TERMS.—A waiver under subparagraph (A) shall not affect the payment terms of the sale.

“(4) EFFECT OF DISHONORED INSTRUMENTS.—For purposes of determining full payment under paragraph (1), a payment to an unpaid cash seller shall not be considered to have been made if the unpaid cash seller receives a payment instrument that is dishonored.

“(c) ENFORCEMENT.—If a dealer fails to perform the duties required by subsection (b), the Secretary shall take such action as is necessary—

“(1) to enforce the trust, including by appointing an independent trustee; and

“(2) to preserve the assets of the trust.

“(d) PRESERVATION OF TRUST.—An unpaid cash seller shall lose the benefit of a trust under subsection (b) if the unpaid cash seller has not preserved the trust by—

“(1) providing a written notice to the applicable dealer of the intent of the unpaid cash seller to preserve the benefits of the trust; and

“(2) filing that notice with the Secretary—

“(A) not later than 30 days after the final date for making a payment under section 409 in the event that a payment instrument has not been received; or

“(B) not later than 15 business days after the date on which the seller receives notice that the payment instrument promptly presented for payment has been dishonored.

“(e) NOTICE TO LIEN HOLDERS.—Not later than 15 business days after the date on which a dealer receives notice under subsection (d)(1) with respect to a trust, the dealer shall give notice of the intent of the unpaid cash seller to preserve the benefits of the trust to all persons who have recorded a security interest in, or lien on, the livestock held in that trust.

“(f) PURCHASE OF LIVESTOCK SUBJECT TO TRUST.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 1324 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1631), a buyer in the ordinary course that purchases livestock that is held in trust by a dealer under subsection (b), including from a dealer that engages in farming operations, shall receive good title to the livestock free of the dealer trust—

“(A) if the buyer receives the livestock in exchange for payment of new value; and

“(B) without regard to whether—

“(i) the dealer trust has been preserved in accordance with this section; or

“(ii) the buyer knows of the existence of the dealer trust.

“(2) PAYMENT.—Payment shall not be considered to have been made under paragraph (1)(A) if a payment instrument given in exchange for the livestock is dishonored.

“(g) TRANSFER OF LIVESTOCK SUBJECT TO TRUST.—A transfer of livestock that is held in trust by a dealer under subsection (b) shall not be considered to be for new value under subsection (f)(1)(A) if the transfer is—

“(1) in satisfaction of an antecedent debt; or

“(2) to a secured party pursuant to a security agreement.”.

SA 3200. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 250, strike lines 12 through 19 and insert the following:

“(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to any other amounts provided under this section,

SA 3201. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 41. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.

Section 17 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2026) (as amended by section 4108) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(n) PILOT PROJECTS TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTED TO ADDRESSING FOOD INSECURITY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—On an application of an eligible entity, the Secretary may permit not more than 10 eligible entities to carry out pilot projects to support public-private partnerships that address food insecurity and poverty.

“(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—For purposes of this subsection, an eligible entity referred to in paragraph (1) is—

“(A) a State;

“(B) a unit of local government;

“(C) a nonprofit organization;

“(D) a community-based organization; or

“(E) an institution of higher education.

“(3) PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.—A project approved under this subsection shall—

“(A) be for a period of not less than 2 years; and

“(B) evaluate the ability of the eligible entity to—

“(i) improve the effectiveness and impact of the supplemental nutrition assistance program;

“(ii) develop food security solutions that are contextualized to the needs of a community or region; and

“(iii) strengthen the capacity of communities to address food insecurity and poverty.

“(4) REPORTING.—

“(A) REPORT BY ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—Not less frequently than annually, an eligible entity carrying out a pilot project under this subsection shall submit to the Secretary a report on the pilot project of the eligible entity.

“(B) REPORT BY SECRETARY.—Not less frequently than annually, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report on the pilot projects carried out under this subsection, including—

“(i) a summary of the activities conducted under the pilot projects;

“(ii) an assessment of the effectiveness of the pilot projects; and

“(iii) best practices regarding the use of public-private partnerships to improve the effectiveness of public benefit programs to address food insecurity and poverty.

“(5) FUNDING.—

“(A) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subsection \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended.

“(B) APPROPRIATIONS IN ADVANCE.—Only funds appropriated under subparagraph (A) in advance specifically to carry out this subsection shall be available to carry out this subsection.”.

SA 3202. Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title VI, insert the following:

SEC. 61. ELIGIBILITY FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING.

Section 343(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1991(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “in, fish farming” and inserting the following: “in—

“(A) fish farming; and

“(B) in the case of assistance under subtitle B, commercial fishing”; and

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking “shall” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting the following: “includes—

“(A) fish farming; and

“(B) in the case of assistance under subtitle B, commercial fishing.”.

SA 3203. Mr. SULLIVAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the De-

partment of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 43. DOMESTIC FISH REQUIRED FOR NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM.

Section 12(n)(1) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(n)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) when used in the context of a fish or fish product, a fish or fish product that substantially contains—

“(i) fish (including tuna) harvested within—

“(I) a State;

“(II) the District of Columbia; or

“(III) the Exclusive Economic Zone of the United States, as described in Presidential Proclamation 5030 (48 Fed. Reg. 10605; March 10, 1983); or

“(ii) tuna harvested by a United States flagged vessel.”.

SA 3204. Mr. SULLIVAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title IV, insert the following:

SEC. 43. WAIVER TO PURCHASE FOREIGN COMMODITIES OR PRODUCTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 12(n) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(n)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(B) in the matter preceding clause (i) (as so redesignated), by striking “(1) DEFINITION” and all that follows through “the” and inserting the following:

“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

“(A) DOMESTIC COMMODITY OR PRODUCT.—The”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) FOREIGN COMMODITY OR PRODUCT.—The term ‘foreign commodity or product’ means an agricultural commodity or food product other than a domestic commodity or product.”; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subparagraph (B)” and inserting “subparagraphs (B) and (C)”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) WAIVER.—

“(i) WAIVER REQUEST.—Except as provided in clause (ii), to purchase a foreign commodity or product, a school food authority shall request from the Secretary a waiver of subparagraph (A).

“(ii) EXCEPTION.—A school food authority may purchase a foreign commodity or product without a waiver under clause (i) if the foreign commodity or product is—

“(I) produced domestically; or

“(II) available domestically.

“(iii) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall not grant a waiver to purchase a foreign commodity or product under clause (i) unless—

“(I) as determined by the Secretary, the commodity or product—

“(aa) is not produced domestically in a sufficient quantity or of a satisfactory quality; and

“(bb) if purchased domestically, would be significantly higher in price than a foreign commodity or product; and

“(II) the school food authority requesting the waiver agrees—

“(aa) to make the waiver publicly available on the website of the school food authority; and

“(bb) to email a notification of the waiver to parents or guardians of students who will be served the foreign commodity or product purchased pursuant to the waiver.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 12(n) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(n)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking “Paragraph (2)(A)” and inserting “Subparagraphs (A) and (C) of paragraph (2)”; and

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking “Paragraph (2)(A)” and inserting “Subparagraphs (A) and (C) of paragraph (2)”.

SA 3205. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. UDALL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following:

SEC. 72. ALGAE RESEARCH INITIATIVE.

Subtitle H of title XVI of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 is amended by inserting after section 1680 (7 U.S.C. 5933) the following:

“SEC. 1681. ALGAE RESEARCH INITIATIVE.

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this section as the ‘Secretary’) shall establish an algae research initiative under which the Secretary may make competitive grants to research institutions—

“(1) to develop and test new agriculture-related uses of algae, including—

“(A) the development and testing of alternative feeds and feed ingredients; and

“(B) the application of algae in animal health and immune stimulants;

“(2) to evaluate the economic opportunities from new algae feedstocks or food products—

“(A) through production on marginal or unproductive land, industrial systems, or coastal or open seawater; and

“(B) that significantly increase the yield of food, feed, or other products from existing agricultural land;

“(3) to determine the potential of algae protein production, including an analysis of—

“(A) current production trends, demand, and technology needs;

“(B) the physical and economic feasibility of the United States growing algae for application in animal health and immune stimulants (including microalgae and macroalgae); and

“(C) the nutritional profile and benefits of algae as a protein source;

“(4) to determine the benefits of the onfield application of algae biomass (including microalgae and macroalgae) or algae-derived components; and

“(5) to evaluate ways in which to improve the use of algae in energy programs of the Department of Agriculture.

“(b) REPORT.—Not later than 4 years after the date of enactment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, the Secretary shall

submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that describes the results of the research conducted through the initiative established under subsection (a).

“(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section \$10,000,000.”.

SA 3206. Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 86. EXPEDITED REVIEW OF PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LAND.

(a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

(1) to expedite wildfire prevention projects to reduce the risk of wildfire on certain high-risk Federal land adjacent to communities, private property, and critical infrastructure;

(2) to improve forest and wildland health; and

(3) to promote the recovery of threatened or endangered species or other species under consideration to be listed under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), including the sage-grouse species, the habitat of which is negatively impacted by wildland fire.

(b) EXPEDITED REVIEW.—Section 104 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6514) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (e) through (h) as subsections (f) through (i), respectively;

(2) in subsection (c)(1)(C)(i), by striking “subsection (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”; and

(3) by inserting after subsection (d) the following:

“(e) CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN PROJECTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—An authorized hazardous fuel reduction project shall be categorically excluded from the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) if the project—

“(A) involves the removal of—

“(i) insect-infected trees;

“(ii) dead or dying trees;

“(iii) trees presenting a threat to public safety; or

“(iv) other hazardous fuels threatening—

“(I) utility or communications infrastructure;

“(II) municipal water supply systems;

“(III) campgrounds;

“(IV) roadsides;

“(V) schools; or

“(VI) other infrastructure;

“(B) is conducted on Federal land that—

“(i) is not located in the wildland-urban interface;

“(ii) is located within not more than 1.5 miles of non-Federal land; and

“(iii) on which the Secretary determines that conditions, such as the risk of wildfire, an insect or disease epidemic, or the presence of invasive species, pose a risk to adjacent non-Federal land; or

“(C) treats 10,000 acres or less of Federal land that—

“(i) is at particular risk for wildfire;

“(ii) contains threatened and endangered species habitat; or

“(iii) provides conservation benefits to—

“(I) a species that is not listed as an endangered species or a threatened species under section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533), but is under consideration to be listed;

“(II) a State-listed species; or

“(III) a special concern species.

“(2) APPLICABILITY.—This subsection shall not apply to Federal land—

“(A) that is a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System;

“(B) on which the removal of vegetation is specifically prohibited by Federal statute; or

“(C) that is within a National Monument as of the date of enactment of this subsection.”.

SA 3207. Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. PROHIBITION OF DIRECT MONETARY BENEFITS TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FROM AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS.

No Member of Congress shall receive direct monetary benefits from a program authorized under this Act or an amendment made by this Act.

SA 3208. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2503, redesignate subsections (c) through (f) as subsections (d) through (g), respectively.

In section 2503, insert after subsection (b) the following:

(c) ENCOURAGEMENT OF POLLINATOR HABITAT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECTION.—Section 1244(h) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3844(h)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;

(3) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(4) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) the development of a conservation and recovery plan for protection of pollinators through conservation biological control or practices and strategies to integrate natural predators and parasites of crop pests into agricultural systems for pest control; and

“(D) training for producers relating to background science, implementation, and promotion of conservation biological control such that producers base conservation activities on practices and techniques that conserve or enhance natural habitat for beneficial insects as a way of reducing pest problems and pesticide applications on farms.”;

(5) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated), by striking “In carrying out” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out”; and

(6) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) MONARCH MILKWEED CORRIDOR.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall—

“(i) designate as a ‘Monarch milkweed corridor’ any area in the United States that the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of the Interior, determines to be an area of prime habitat and forage for Monarch butterflies; and

“(ii) implement pollinator habitat development and protection plans under this subsection in those Monarch milkweed corridors for Monarch butterflies.

“(B) APPLICABLE AREAS.—The Secretary may designate a Monarch milkweed corridor under subparagraph (A) in areas determined to be appropriate by the Secretary, including on public lands (as defined in section 203 of the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 1722)), including National Forest System land and land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, that have high forage and habitat value for Monarch butterflies.”.

SA 3209. Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. COLLINS, and Mrs. MURRAY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 226(c) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (as added by section 3201(a)), strike paragraph (5) and insert the following:

“(5) PRIORITY TRADE FUND.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the amounts allocated under paragraphs (1) through (4), and notwithstanding any limitations in those paragraphs, as determined by the Secretary, for 1 or more programs under this subtitle for authorized activities to access, develop, maintain, and expand markets for United States agricultural commodities, \$6,000,000 for each fiscal year.

“(B) CONSIDERATIONS.—In allocating funds made available under subparagraph (A), the Secretary may consider providing a greater allocation to 1 or more programs under this subtitle for which the amounts requested under applications exceed available funding for the 1 or more programs.

SA 3210. Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Mr. KING) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 12519, strike subsection (h) and insert the following:

(h) FUNDING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to the Secretary to carry out this section \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended.

(2) RECEIPT.—The Secretary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and shall use to carry out this section the funds transferred under paragraph (1), without further appropriation.

(3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to the amounts appropriated under paragraph (1), there is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$20,000,000 for each fiscal year.

SA 3211. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BOOKER, and

Mr. GARDNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 124. FOOD LOSS AND WASTE REDUCTION LIAISON.

Subtitle D of title II of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6951 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 244. FOOD LOSS AND WASTE REDUCTION LIAISON.

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish in the Department the position of Food Loss and Waste Reduction Liaison.

“(b) DUTIES.—The Food Loss and Waste Reduction Liaison shall—

“(1) coordinate with other Federal agencies, including the Environmental Protection Agency and the Food and Drug Administration, to reduce the incidence of food loss and waste and increase food recovery;

“(2) support and promote Federal programs to measure and reduce the incidence of food loss and waste and increase food recovery;

“(3) serve as a resource for entities engaged in efforts to reduce food loss and waste and increase food recovery, including by providing information to those entities on the availability of, and eligibility requirements for, participation in Federal programs;

“(4) provide information on the liability protections under the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act (42 U.S.C. 1791) to entities and individuals engaged in food loss and waste reduction and food recovery; and

“(5) make recommendations on reducing the incidence of food loss and waste and expanding food recovery efforts.

“(c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (b), the Food Loss and Waste Reduction Liaison may enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with the research, education, and economics mission area of the Department, institutions of higher education (as defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a))), and nonprofit organizations for, with respect to food loss and waste reduction and food recovery—

“(1) the development of educational materials;

“(2) the conduct of workshops and courses; and

“(3) the conduct of research on best practices.”.

SA 3212. Mr. DAINES (for Mr. SCHATZ) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2385, to establish best practices for State, tribal, and local governments participating in the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike section 7(a) and insert the following:

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) AUTHORITY.—Beginning on the date that is 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the authority to originate an alert warning the public of a missile launch directed against a State using the public alert and warning system shall reside primarily with the Federal Government.

(2) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Homeland Security may delegate to a State, tribal, or local entity the authority described in paragraph (1), if, not later

than 60 days after the end of the 120-day period described in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Homeland Security submits a report to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives that—

(A) it is not feasible for the Federal Government to alert the public of a missile threat against a State; or

(B) it is not in the national security interest of the United States for the Federal Government to alert the public of missile threat against a State.

(3) ACTIVATION OF SYSTEM.—Upon verification of a missile threat, the President, utilizing established authorities, protocols and procedures, may activate the public alert and warning system.

SA 3213. Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Before section 8401, insert the following:

SEC. 84. DEFINITIONS.

Section 101 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6511) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through (16) as paragraphs (13) through (18), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (10) the following:

“(11) FIRE REGIME IV.—The term ‘fire regime IV’ means an area—

“(A) in which historically there are stand replacement severity fires with a frequency of 35 through 100 years; and

“(B) that may be located in any vegetation type.

“(12) FIRE REGIME V.—The term ‘fire regime V’ means an area—

“(A) in which historically there are stand replacement severity fires with a frequency of 200 years; and

“(B) that may be located in any vegetation type.”.

SEC. 84. AUTHORIZED HAZARDOUS FUEL REDUCTION PROJECTS.

Section 102(a)(3) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6512(a)(3)) is amended by striking “or fire regime III” and inserting “fire regime III, fire regime IV, or fire regime V”.

After section 8408, insert the following:

SEC. 84. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.

Section 603(c) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591b(c)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

“(2) LOCATION.—

“(A) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph, the terms ‘condition class 2’, ‘condition class 3’, ‘fire regime I’, ‘fire regime II’, ‘fire regime III’, ‘fire regime IV’, ‘fire regime V’, and ‘wildland-urban interface’ have the meanings given those terms in section 101.

“(B) LOCATION.—A project under this section shall be—

“(i) limited to areas in the wildland-urban interface; or

“(ii) for projects located outside the wildland-urban interface, limited to areas within condition class 2 or condition class 3 in fire regime I, fire regime II, fire regime III, fire regime IV, or fire regime V.”.

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 84 . WILDFIRE RESILIENCE PROJECTS.

Section 605 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591d) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “Hazardous fuels reduction projects, as defined in the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6511(2))” and inserting “Authorized hazardous fuel reduction projects (as defined in section 101)”;

(B) in paragraph (1), by striking “and sections 104 and 105”; and

(C) in paragraph (2), by inserting “subject to section 106,” before “considered”;

(2) in subsection (b)(1)(A), by striking “to the extent” and all that follows through “disease,”; and

(3) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “Prioritized” and inserting “prioritized”;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “If located outside the wildland-urban interface, limited to areas within Condition Classes 2 or 3 in Fire Regime Groups I, II, or III” and inserting “if located outside the wildland-urban interface, limited to areas within condition class 2 or condition class 3 in fire regime I, fire regime II, fire regime III, fire regime IV, or fire regime V (as those terms are defined in section 101)”;

(C) in subparagraph (C), by striking “Limited” and inserting “limited”.

SA 3214. Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. LEAHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 6206(3)(A), strike clause (ii) and insert the following:

(ii) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) **RELATION TO UNIVERSAL SERVICE HIGH-COST SUPPORT.**—The Secretary shall coordinate with the Federal Communications Commission to ensure that any grants, loans, or loan guarantees made under this section complement and do not conflict with universal service high-cost support (as defined in section 54.5 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation) provided by the Commission.

“(D) **APPEAL OF INELIGIBILITY.**—An entity that is determined ineligible by the Secretary under subparagraph (A) may appeal that determination in a timely manner according to a procedure established by the Secretary.”;

In section 6206(3)(B), strike clause (ii) and insert the following:

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

“(ii) **EXCEPTIONS.**—Clause (i) shall not apply if the applicant is eligible for funding under another title of this Act.”; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) **OVERBUILD AND DUPLICATION OF BROADBAND.**—

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to clause (ii), an eligible entity that receives a grant, loan, or loan guarantee under this section shall not use the funds to overbuild or duplicate broadband expansion efforts made by another entity with a grant, loan, or loan guarantee received under this section.

“(ii) **EXCEPTION.**—The prohibition in clause (i) shall not apply if—

“(I) that other entity—

“(aa)(AA) rescinded or defaulted on the grant, loan, or loan guarantee; or

“(BB) failed to meet the terms and conditions of the grant, loan, or loan guarantee; and

“(II) the eligible entity has not rescinded, defaulted on, or failed to meet the terms and conditions of any previous grant, loan, or loan guarantee received under this section.”;

SA 3215. Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. SCHATZ, and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 10111, insert the following:

SEC. 10112. STUDY ON THE IMPACTS OF THE IMPORTATION OF ORCHIDS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that describes the economic and environmental impacts of importing orchids in growing media.

(b) **REQUIREMENTS.**—The report under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) a description of—

(A) the economic impact of importing orchids in growing media on a State-by-State basis, with data collected from local growers; and

(B) any incidents of pests detected on orchids imported with growing media; and

(2) an analysis from the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service with respect to the additional resources that are necessary to prevent and mitigate the introduction of pests resulting from importing orchids in growing media.

SA 3216. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title I, add the following:

SEC. 1602. ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR CERTAIN PRODUCERS.

(a) **DEFINITION OF QUALIFYING NATURAL DISASTER DECLARATION.**—In this section, the term “qualifying natural disaster declaration” means—

(1) a natural disaster declared by the Secretary under section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1961(a)); or

(2) a major disaster or emergency designated by the President under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

(b) **AVAILABILITY OF ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.**—As soon as practicable after October 1, 2018, the Secretary shall make available assistance under section 196 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7333) to producers of an eligible crop (as defined in subsection (a)(2) of that section) that suffered losses in a county covered by a qualifying natural disaster declaration for production losses due to volcanic activity.

(c) **AMOUNT.**—The Secretary shall make assistance available under subsection (b) in an amount equal to the amount of assistance determined under paragraph (1) of section 196(l) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7333(l)), less any fees that are owed by producers under paragraph (2) of that subsection.

SA 3217. Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. KING, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 7403 and insert the following:

SEC. 7403. RESEARCH FACILITIES ACT.

(a) **DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH FACILITY.**—Section 2(1) of the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C. 390(1)) is amended by striking “a college, university, or nonprofit institution” and inserting “an entity eligible under a capacity and infrastructure program (as defined in section 251(f)(1) of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6971(f)(1)))”.

(b) **CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL.**—Section 3(c)(2)(D) of the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C. 390a(c)(2)(D)) is amended, in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “college, university, or nonprofit institution has the ability and commitment to support the long-term, ongoing operating costs” and inserting “entity has the ability and commitment to support the long-term, ongoing operation and maintenance costs”.

(c) **COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM.**—The Research Facilities Act is amended by inserting after section 3 (7 U.S.C. 390a) the following:

“SEC. 4. COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM.

“The Secretary shall establish a program under which the Secretary shall provide grants, on a competitive basis, to assist in the construction, alteration, acquisition, modernization, renovation, or remodeling of agricultural research facilities.”.

(d) **FUNDING.**—Section 6 of the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C. 390d) is amended—

(1) by striking the section designation and heading and all that follows through “subsection (b),” in subsection (a) and inserting the following:

“SEC. 6. FUNDING.

“(a) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—Subject to subsections (b), (c), and (d),”;

(2) in subsection (a), by striking “2018” and inserting “2023, to remain available until expended,”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(c) **MAXIMUM AMOUNT.**—Of the amounts made available under this section, not more than 25 percent may be used during any fiscal year for any single agricultural research facility project.

“(d) **PROJECT LIMITATION.**—An entity eligible to receive funds under this Act may receive funds for only 1 project at a time.”.

SA 3218. Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. UDALL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BENNET, and Ms. HARRIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2105(a), strike the closing quotation marks and the following period and insert the following:

“(g) **DROUGHT AND WATER CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS.**—In the case of an agreement under subsection (b)(1) to address regional drought concerns, in accordance with the conservation purposes of the program, the Secretary, in consultation with the applicable State technical committee established under section 1261(a), may—

“(1) notwithstanding subsection (a)(1), enroll other agricultural land on which the resource concerns identified in the agreement can be addressed if the enrollment of the land is critical to the accomplishment of the purposes of the agreement;

“(2) permit dryland agricultural uses with the adoption of best management practices on enrolled land if the agreement involves the significant long-term reduction of consumptive water use and dryland production is compatible with the agreement; and

“(3) calculate annual rental payments consistent with existing administrative practice for similar drought and water conservation agreements under this subchapter and ensure regional consistency in those rates.”.

On page 123, line 3, insert “or for addressing the conservation of water to advance drought mitigation” before the semicolon.

In section 2303, strike paragraph (5) and insert the following:

(5) in subsection (h)—

(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

“(1) AVAILABILITY OF PAYMENTS.—The Secretary may provide water conservation and system efficiency payments under this subsection to an entity described in paragraph (2) or a producer for—

“(A) water conservation scheduling, water distribution efficiency, soil moisture monitoring, or an appropriate combination thereof;

“(B) irrigation-related structural or other measures that conserve surface water or groundwater, including managed aquifer recovery practices; or

“(C) a transition to water-conserving crops, water-conserving crop rotations, or deficit irrigation.”;

(B) by redesigning paragraph (2) as paragraph (3);

(C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

“(2) ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN ENTITIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 1001(f)(6), the Secretary may enter into a contract under this subsection with a State, irrigation district, groundwater management district, acequia, or similar entity under a streamlined contracting process to implement water conservation or irrigation practices under a watershed-wide project that will effectively conserve water, provide fish and wildlife habitat, or provide for drought-related environmental mitigation, as determined by the Secretary.

“(B) IMPLEMENTATION.—Water conservation or irrigation practices that are the subject of a contract entered into under subparagraph (A) shall be implemented on—

“(i) eligible land of a producer; or

“(ii) land that is under the control of an irrigation district, a groundwater management district, an acequia, or a similar entity.

“(C) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may waive the applicability of the limitations in section 1001D(b) or section 1240G for a payment made under a contract entered into under this paragraph if the Secretary determines that the waiver is necessary to fulfill the objectives of the project.”;

(D) in paragraph (3) (as so redesignated)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “to a producer” and inserting “under this subsection”;

(ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking “the eligible land of the producer is located, there is a reduction in water use in the operation of the producer” and inserting “the land on which the practices will be implemented is located, there is a reduction in water use in the operation on that land”; and

(iii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “except in the case of an application under paragraph (2),” before “the producer agrees”; and

(E) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section authorizes the Secretary to modify the process for determining the annual allocation of funding to States under the program.”.

SA 3219. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2503, redesignate subsections (c) through (f) as subsections (d) through (g), respectively.

In section 2503, insert after subsection (b) the following:

(c) ENCOURAGEMENT OF POLLINATOR HABITAT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECTION.—Section 1244(h) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3844(h)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;

(3) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(4) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) the development of a conservation and recovery plan for protection of pollinators through conservation biological control or practices and strategies to integrate natural predators and parasites of crop pests into agricultural systems for pest control; and

“(D) training for producers relating to background science, implementation, and promotion of conservation biological control such that producers base conservation activities on practices and techniques that conserve or enhance natural habitat for beneficial insects as a way of reducing pest problems and pesticide applications on farms.”;

(5) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated), by striking “In carrying out” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out”; and

(6) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) MONARCH CORRIDOR.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with subparagraph (B), the Secretary may—

“(i) designate as a ‘Monarch corridor’ any area in the United States that the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of the Interior, determines to be an area of prime habitat and forage for Monarch butterflies; and

“(ii) implement pollinator habitat development and protection plans under this subsection in those Monarch corridors for Monarch butterflies.

“(B) APPLICABLE AREAS.—The Secretary may designate a Monarch corridor under subparagraph (A) in areas determined to be appropriate by the Secretary, including on public lands (as defined in section 203 of the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 1722)), including National Forest System land and land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, that have high forage and habitat value for Monarch butterflies.”.

SA 3220. Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. DAINES) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title I, insert the following:

SEC. 11. . . ELIGIBILITY OF FABA BEANS FOR PLANTING ON BASE ACRES.

Section 1114(e)(1) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9014(e)(1)) is amended by inserting “, faba beans,” after “mung beans”.

SA 3221. Mr. KING (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. . . REPORT ON FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE AND OTHER EXTENSION PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date on which the census of agriculture required to be conducted in calendar year 2017 under section 2 of the Census of Agriculture Act of 1997 (7 U.S.C. 2204g) is released, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that describes the funding necessary to adequately address the needs of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, activities carried out under the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 341 et seq.), and research and extension programs carried out at an 1890 Institution (as defined in section 2 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7601)) or an institution designated under the Act of July 2, 1862 (commonly known as the “First Morrill Act”) (12 Stat. 503, chapter 130; 7 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), to provide adequate services for the growth and development of the economies of rural communities based on the changing demographic in the rural and farming communities in the various States.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In preparing the report under subsection (a), the Secretary shall focus on the funding needs of the programs described in subsection (a) with respect to carrying out activities relating to small and diverse farms and ranches, veteran farmers and ranchers, value-added agriculture, direct-to-consumer sales, and specialty crops.

SA 3222. Mr. COONS (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 7512 (relating to the natural products research program) and insert the following:

SEC. 7512. NATURAL PRODUCTS RESEARCH PROGRAM.

Section 7525 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 5937) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4); and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following:

“(3) research to improve the development and production of sustainable chemicals derived from natural products that improve 1

or more health or environmental attributes as compared to existing chemicals already in use; and"; and

(2) in subsection (e), by striking "2018" and inserting "2023".

SA 3223. Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2307 (relating to a limitation on payments) and insert the following:

SEC. 2307. LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS.

Section 1240G of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa-7) is amended—

(1) by striking "\$450,000" and inserting "\$150,000"; and

(2) by striking "2014 through 2018" and inserting "2019 through 2023".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mrs. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I have 11 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on the nomination of Lieutenant General Stephen R. Lyons, USA, to be general and Commander, United States Transportation Command, Department of Defense.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "Legislative proposals to increase access to capital."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on the following nominations: Teri L. Donaldson, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Christopher Fall, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Science, Karen S. Evans, of West Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Cybersecurity, Energy Security and Emergency Response), and Daniel Simmons, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), all of the Department of Energy.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the

Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Prescription Drug Affordability and Innovation: Addressing Challenges in Today's Market."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 11:15 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing on pending legislation and the following nominations: of Scott Stump, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Department of Education, John Lowry III, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, and other pending nominations.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Survivors' Bill of Rights: Implementation and Next Steps."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 9 a.m., to conduct a closed hearing with His Majesty King Abdullah II.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a closed hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EUROPE AND REGIONAL SECURITY COOPERATION

The Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation of the Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 9:45 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "U.S. Policy in Europe."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CRIME AND TERRORISM

The Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism of the Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "Protecting our Elections: Examining Shell Companies and Virtual Currencies as Avenues for Foreign Interference."

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Ward Griffin and Jason Sherman, a detailee and fellow with the minority staff on the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee, be granted floor privileges

throughout the duration of this Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AUTHENTICATING LOCAL EMERGENCIES AND REAL THREATS ACT OF 2018

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of S. 2385 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2385) to establish best practices for State, tribal, and local governments participating in the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that the Schatz amendment, which is at the desk, be considered and agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time and passed; and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 3212) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: To improve the bill)

Strike section 7(a) and insert the following:

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) AUTHORITY.—Beginning on the date that is 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the authority to originate an alert warning the public of a missile launch directed against a State using the public alert and warning system shall reside primarily with the Federal Government.

(2) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Homeland Security may delegate to a State, tribal, or local entity the authority described in paragraph (1), if, not later than 60 days after the end of the 120-day period described in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Homeland Security submits a report to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives that—

(A) it is not feasible for the Federal Government to alert the public of a missile threat against a State; or

(B) it is not in the national security interest of the United States for the Federal Government to alert the public of missile threat against a State.

(3) ACTIVATION OF SYSTEM.—Upon verification of a missile threat, the President, utilizing established authorities, protocols and procedures, may activate the public alert and warning system.

The bill (S. 2385), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 2385

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,