

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 662

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 13, 2023

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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## AN ACT

To amend the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 to improve disaster relief funding for agricultural producers, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Block Grant Assistance  
3 Act of 2023”.

4 **SEC. 2. DISASTER RELIEF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIA-**  
5 **TIONS ACT, 2023 AMENDMENT.**

6 Title I of the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appro-  
7 priations Act, 2023 (division N of Public Law 117–328),  
8 is amended, in the matter under the heading “OFFICE OF  
9 THE SECRETARY” under the heading “PROCESSING, RE-  
10 SEARCH AND MARKETING” under the heading “AGRI-  
11 CULTURAL PROGRAMS” under the heading “DE-  
12 PARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE”, by inserting “: *Pro-*  
13 *vided further*, That the Secretary of Agriculture may pro-  
14 vide assistance for losses described under this heading in  
15 this Act in the form of block grants to eligible States and  
16 territories” before the period at the end.

17 **SEC. 3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION.**

18 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—This Act and the amendments  
19 made by this Act are designated as an emergency require-  
20 ment pursuant to section 4(g) of the Statutory Pay-As-  
21 You-Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C. 933(g)).

22 (b) **DESIGNATION IN SENATE.**—In the Senate, this  
23 Act and the amendment made by this section are des-  
24 ignated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section

1 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the con-  
2 current resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022.

Passed the House of Representatives June 12, 2023.

Attest:                    CHERYL L. JOHNSON,  
*Clerk.*