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# H. R. 4400

To amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to reauthorize the Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 15, 2025

Mr. FEENSTRA (for himself, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. BOST, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. NUNN of Iowa) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Farmers First Act of  
5 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. FARM AND RANCH STRESS ASSISTANCE NETWORK.**

7 Section 7522 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy  
8 Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 5936) is amended—

1           (1) in subsection (b)(1)(A), by inserting “, in-  
2           cluding crisis lines” before the semicolon at the end;

3           (2) in subsection (d), by striking “\$10,000,000  
4           for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023” and in-  
5           serting “\$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026  
6           through 2030”; and

7           (3) by striking subsection (e) and inserting the  
8           following:

9           “(e) REFERRALS TO PROVIDERS.—As part of the ef-  
10          forts of the recipient of a grant under subsection (a) to  
11          connect individuals to behavioral health counseling and  
12          wellness support and to ensure individuals have access to  
13          a comprehensive scope of mental health and substance use  
14          treatments and supports, when applicable, the grant re-  
15          cipient may establish referral relationships with—

16               “(1) certified community behavioral health clin-  
17          ics described in section 223 of the Protecting Access  
18          to Medicare Act of 2014 (42 U.S.C. 1396a note;  
19          Public Law 113–93);

20               “(2) health centers (as defined in section  
21          330(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.  
22          254b(a)));

23               “(3) rural health clinics (as defined in section  
24          1861(aa) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
25          1395x(aa)));

1           “(4) Federally qualified health centers (as de-  
2       fined in that section); and  
3           “(5) critical access hospitals (as defined in sec-  
4       tion 1861(mm) of the Social Security Act (42  
5       U.S.C. 1395x(mm))).”.

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