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Agriculture Security Assistance Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1675-1676) (Feb 26, 2004)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Nov 24, 2003
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 23, 2004
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 8, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 24, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 24, 2003)

Agriculture Security Assistance Act - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to: (1) assist States to develop agricultural disease response plans, including regional and national plans; (2) conduct a related modeling and statistical analysis study; (3) provide State grants for epidemiological assessment use of geographic information and statistical analysis models in the event of agricultural disease emergencies; (4) implement a biosecurity awareness program for farmers and ranchers, including on-farm biosecurity guidelines and discretionary education programs; and (5) establish a farm and ranch biosecurity grant and loan pilot program.

Authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide grants for State and local animal health care officials to participate in community emergency planning.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 26, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1675-1676)
- **Sep 15, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11472-11473)
- **Feb 24, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 24, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2596-2597)
- **Feb 24, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2597-2598)