

## HR 4693

Seed Availability and Competition Act of 2004

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** Jun 24, 2004

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research. (Jul 7, 2004)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-bill/4693>

### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 7, 2004
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 2, 2004

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jun 24, 2004)

Seed Availability and Competition Act of 2004 - Requires persons who seek to retain seed harvested from the planting of patented seeds to register with the Secretary of Agriculture and pay related fees.

Establishes in the Treasury the Patented Seed Fund.

Imposes a tariff equal to the difference in fees in any case in which: (1) genetically modified seed on which royalties or licensing or other fees are charged by the patent owner to U.S. purchasers is exported, and (2) no such fees, or lesser fee amounts, are charged to foreign purchasers of the exported seed.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 7, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research.
- **Jul 2, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Jun 24, 2004:** Introduced in House
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