

## S 3519

Agriculture Small Business Opportunity and Enhancement Act of 2006

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** UT • **Chamber:** Senate

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Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Jun 15, 2006
Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]	D · WI		Jun 15, 2006
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jun 28, 2006
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 12, 2006
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO		Jul 12, 2006
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 24, 2006
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	D · ND		Jul 24, 2006
Sen. Voinovich, George V. [R-OH]	R · OH		Jul 24, 2006
Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]	R · MT		Jul 25, 2006
Sen. Thomas, Craig [R-WY]	R · WY		Jul 31, 2006
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Sep 6, 2006
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 14, 2006
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Sep 25, 2006
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Sep 26, 2006

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 15, 2006

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Agriculture and Food

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 6130	Related bill	<b>Oct 3, 2006:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture .

## Summary (as of Jun 15, 2006)

Agriculture Small Business Opportunity and Enhancement Act of 2006 - Amends the Federal Meat Inspection Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to approve a qualifying State meat inspection program and allow the shipment in commerce of carcasses, parts of carcasses, meat, and meat food products so inspected. Requires the Secretary to review approved plans annually.

Prohibits from state inspection plan participation: (1) establishments that have more than 50 employees, except for those subject to state inspection as of January 1, 2007; and (2) federally inspected establishments after such date that have more than 50 employees.

Authorizes the Secretary to: (1) enter into a cooperative agreement to establish the relationship between a state program and the Secretary; and (2) provide partial reimbursement for state costs to meet federal requirements.

Sets forth provisions with respect to: (1) sampling; (2) noncompliance; (3) acceptance of interstate shipments of meat and meat food products; and (4) advisory committees.

Directs the Secretary to temporarily suspend or take over a noncomplying state program (or an establishment).

Makes similar amendments to the Poultry Products Inspection Act.

Terminates the Secretary's authority to establish interstate meat and poultry inspection programs under this Act if approval and cooperative agreements have not been concluded by January 1, 2007.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jun 15, 2006:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 15, 2006:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5957)
- **Jun 15, 2006:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.