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Emergency Farm Relief Act of 2006

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee | Senate | Referred To | Sep 6, 2006 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 109 S 3991 | Related bill | Sep 29, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10565, S10568, S10568-10569, S10569) |
| 109 S 3860 | Related bill | Sep 6, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. |
| 109 HR 5099 | Related bill | May 2, 2006: Executive Comment Requested from USDA. |
| 109 S 2438 | Related bill | Mar 16, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. |

Summary (as of Sep 6, 2006)

Emergency Farm Relief Act of 2006 - Directs the Secretary of Agriculture to provide financial assistance for: (1) crop disaster assistance for qualifying quantity or quality losses for the 2005 or 2006 crop due to weather or related conditions (including disease, insects, and delayed harvest; (2) livestock assistance for 2005 and 2006 disaster-caused losses; (3) livestock indemnity payments for 2005 and 2006 disaster-caused losses (including wildfires, hurricanes, floods, and anthrax); (4) ewe lamb replacement and retention; (5) sugar beet disaster assistance for crop year 2005; (6) sugarcane growers in Hawaii through a payment to an agricultural transportation cooperative in Hawaii; (7) flooded crop and grazing land in the Devils Lake basin, the McHugh, Lake Laretta, and Rose Lake closed drainage areas, North Dakota; and (8) bovine tuberculosis indemnification.

Directs the Secretary to provide financial assistance for: (1) state grants to promote agriculture; and (2) grants for value of production. Requires a recipient state to give priority for livestock and specialty crops.

Directs the Secretary to make supplemental economic loss payments to: (1) producers on a farm who received a crop year 2005 direct payment; and (2) dairy producers eligible to receive a 2005 national dairy market loss payment.

Directs the Secretary to make grants to state agriculture departments or comparable agencies in qualified states for direct economic loss payments to eligible small businesses.

Directs the Secretary to use specified funds to: (1) carry out emergency measures under the emergency watershed protection and emergency conservation programs; and (2) hire additional state and county Farm Service Agency personnel to expedite the delivery of agricultural disaster and economic assistance.

Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 6, 2006:** Introduced in Senate
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