

HR 5313

Open Space and Farmland Preservation Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: May 9, 2006

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Nov 13, 2006)

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Party: Republican • State: PA • Chamber: House

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Rep. Weldon, Curt [R-PA-7]	R · PA		May 9, 2006
Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-3]	R · PA		May 10, 2006
Rep. Weller, Jerry [R-IL-11]	R · IL		May 10, 2006
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Discharged from	Sep 21, 2006
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 13, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 1514	Related bill	Apr 13, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Open Space and Farmland Preservation Act - Amends the Farm Security Act of 1985 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to reserve at least 15% of farmland protection program funds for grants to support cooperative efforts by an eligible state agency, county, or other eligible entity to purchase conservation easements and other interests in eligible land, whose title shall be held by an eligible entity rather than the United States.

Provides with respect to cost sharing that: (1) the federal share of the purchase price of a conservation easement or other interest in eligible land shall not exceed 25%; and (2) the state agency, county, and other eligible entities involved in the purchase shall each contribute 25% of the purchase price.

Prohibits fund use for administrative purposes.

Makes the provisions of this Act effective on October 1, 2006.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 13, 2006:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
- **Sep 27, 2006:** Received in the Senate.
- **Sep 26, 2006:** Mr. Goodlatte moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Sep 26, 2006:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7372-7373)
- **Sep 26, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5313.
- **Sep 26, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H7372)
- **Sep 26, 2006:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H7372)
- **Sep 26, 2006:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research Discharged.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **May 18, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research.
- **May 9, 2006:** Introduced in House
- **May 9, 2006:** Introduced in House
- **May 9, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.