

S 3838

A bill to appropriate funds for the final settlement of lawsuits against the Federal Government for discrimination against Black Farmers and to provide relief for discrimination in a credit program of the Department of Agriculture under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act.

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Chamber: Senate

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]

Party: Democratic • **State:** AR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

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| Sen. Hagan, Kay R. [D-NC] | D · NC | | Sep 23, 2010 |
| Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA] | D · LA | | Sep 23, 2010 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Finance Committee | Senate | Referred To | Sep 23, 2010 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Appropriates funds to the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to carry out the Settlement Agreement (dated February 18, 2010, between plaintiffs and the Secretary to resolve claims that were raised or that could have been raised in the cases consolidated in *In re Black Farmers Discrimination Litigation*, including *Pigford* claims) if the Agreement is approved by a court order that is or becomes final and nonappealable.

States that: (1) such funds are in addition to certain Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) funds and shall be available only after the CCC funds are fully obligated; and (2) if the Agreement is not approved the CCC funds shall be the sole funding for *Pigford* claims.

Permits an eligible complaint alleging discrimination in violation of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act involving a USDA credit program to file a civil action or request administrative review as provided for by this Act.

Actions Timeline

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