

S 2225

A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America program.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D · IA		Mar 22, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 22, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 5825	Related bill	May 30, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry.
112 S 2270	Related bill	Mar 29, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Summary (as of Mar 22, 2012)

Amends the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 regarding the Rural Energy for America Program to: (1) extend the Program through FY2017, (2) make nonprofit organizations eligible for assistance, (3) make assistance available to purchase unique components of renewable energy systems, (4) create a tiered loan and grant application process that reflects project size, (5) prohibit requiring a second meter for on-farm residential portions of rural projects connected to the energy grid, (6) permit the combined amount of a grant and a loan guarantee to cover all eligible activity costs, and (7) limit individual grant amounts for feasibility studies.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 22, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 22, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2002-2003)
- **Mar 22, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2003)