

HR 193

Seed Availability and Competition Act of 2013

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: Jan 4, 2013

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture. (Feb 4, 2013)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2013
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 4, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2013)

Seed Availability and Competition Act of 2013 - Permits a person who plants patented seed or seed derived from patented seed to retain harvested seed for replanting by such person if that person: (1) notifies the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) of the type and quantity of seed to be retained, and (2) pays the appropriate fee established by the Secretary.

Establishes the Patented Seed Fund in the Treasury into which such fees shall be deposited and from which the Secretary shall pay appropriate fees to patent holders.

Imposes an additional duty on the imported product of exported genetically modified seed on which royalties or other fees are charged by the patent owner to purchasers of the seed in the United States and on which no fees or lesser fees are charged to purchasers of the exported seed in a foreign country. Requires that such duties be deposited in the Fund for distribution to the appropriate patent holders.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 4, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.
- **Jan 4, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.