

## HR 349

### Preserving Marginal Lands and Protecting Farming Act of 2013

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** Jan 22, 2013

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry. (Feb 4, 2013)

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** AL • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bachus, Spencer [R-AL-6]	R · AL		Jan 22, 2013
Rep. Bonner, Jo [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Jan 22, 2013
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Preserving Marginal Lands and Protecting Farming Act of 2013 - Amends the Food Security Act of 1985 to set the maximum number of acres that may be enrolled at any one time in the conservation reserve program (CRP) at: (1) 29 million acres for FY2013, (2) 26 million acres for FY2014, and (3) 26 million acres for each of FY2015 through FY2018.

Prohibits the enrollment of land in the conservation reserve that is classified as class I or class II land under the National Soil Survey Handbook's land capability classification system unless such land is enrolled as a buffer, filterstrip, or strip adjacent to a riparian area.

Directs the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA), during FY2014, to permit a participant that entered into a CRP contract to terminate the contract at any time if the contract has been in effect for at least five years.

Revises the types of land that are not subject to early contract termination.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 4, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry.
- **Jan 22, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 22, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.