

## HR 4671

Organic Farmers Access Act

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Dec 18, 2017
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jan 19, 2018
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Jan 25, 2018
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Feb 23, 2018
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Mar 1, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 24, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Organic Farmers Access Act

This bill amends the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act and the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 to expand the eligibility of organic farmers for assistance under Department of Agriculture (USDA) rural development grant and loan programs.

The bill authorizes additional assistance for certified organic farms and certified organic handling operations under USDA programs that provide: (1) rural business development grants, (2) loans and loan guarantees for locally or regionally produced agricultural food products, and (3) value-added agricultural product market development grants.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 24, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.
- **Dec 18, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 18, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.