

## HR 5824

### Assist Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** May 15, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. (May 15, 2018)

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## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		May 15, 2018
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		May 21, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	May 15, 2018

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 2839	Identical bill	May 15, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

## **Assist Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Act of 2018**

This bill amends the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to reauthorize through FY2023 and modify the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program.

(The program provides funding to assist socially disadvantaged and veteran farmers and ranchers in participating in USDA programs and in owning and operating farms and ranches.)

The bill includes provisions that:

- authorize multiyear grants, contracts, and agreements for terms of up to three years;
- require USDA to establish an external peer review process to use in making grants and entering into contracts and agreements; and
- modify reporting requirements.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 15, 2018:** Introduced in House
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