

## HR 7690

To establish a payment program for unexpected loss of markets and revenues to timber harvesting and timber hauling businesses due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Jul 20, 2020

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry. (Sep 3, 2020)

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### Sponsor

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

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| Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]    | R · SC        |      | Sep 24, 2020 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee             | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
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| Agriculture Committee | House   | Referred to | Sep 3, 2020 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

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| Bill       | Relationship | Last Action   |
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| 116 S 4233 | Related bill | <b>Jul 21, 2020:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S4350-4351) |

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### Summary (as of Jul 20, 2020)

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This bill directs the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to make payments to a timber harvesting business or timber hauling business that, as a result of the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) pandemic, experienced a loss of not less than 10% in gross revenue during the period beginning on January 1, 2020, and ending on July 31, 2020, as compared to its gross revenue during the same period in 2019.

The amount of a payment made to an eligible entity shall be equal to 10% of the gross revenue of the business during the period beginning on January 1, 2019, and ending on July 31, 2019.

USDA shall make such a payment only to a business that certifies that the payment will be used only for operating expenses.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 3, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- **Jul 20, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 20, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.