

HR 2244

Flexible Financing for Rural America Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: Mar 26, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit. (Jun 15, 2021)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/2244>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]

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

Cosponsors (213 total)

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Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Kahele, Kaiali'i [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Trent [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]	R · OK		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Miller, Carol D. [R-WV-3]	R · WV		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Scott, Austin [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Tiffany, Thomas P. [R-WI-7]	R · WI		Apr 5, 2021
Rep. Bice, Stephanie I. [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Dan [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1]	R · AR		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Apr 13, 2021
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Apr 13, 2021
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Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Barr, Andy [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. McClain, Lisa C. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		Apr 15, 2021

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Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Apr 16, 2021
Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Apr 16, 2021
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Apr 16, 2021
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Apr 16, 2021
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Carl, Jerry L. [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Apr 19, 2021
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Rep. Keller, Fred [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-3]	R · MO		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Apr 19, 2021
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Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Apr 19, 2021
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Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Apr 22, 2021
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Rep. Jordan, Jim [R-OH-4]	R · OH		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Apr 22, 2021
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Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Apr 22, 2021
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Rep. Webster, Daniel [R-FL-11]	R · FL		Apr 22, 2021
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Del. Plaskett, Stacey E. [D-VI-At Large]	D · VI		May 4, 2021
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Rep. Arrington, Jodey C. [R-TX-19]	R · TX		May 4, 2021
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		May 4, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 4, 2021

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Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		May 4, 2021
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Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		May 4, 2021
Rep. Pfluger, August [R-TX-11]	R · TX		May 4, 2021
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 4, 2021
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		May 4, 2021
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		May 4, 2021
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		May 4, 2021
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		May 4, 2021
Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]	R · OH		May 4, 2021
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		May 4, 2021
Rep. Williams, Roger [R-TX-25]	R · TX		May 4, 2021
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		May 4, 2021
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		May 4, 2021
Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		May 7, 2021
Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]	R · MI		May 7, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		May 7, 2021
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		May 7, 2021
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		May 7, 2021
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		May 7, 2021
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15]	R · FL		May 7, 2021
Rep. Hagedorn, Jim [R-MN-1]	R · MN		May 7, 2021
Rep. Harshbarger, Diana [R-TN-1]	R · TN		May 7, 2021
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		May 7, 2021
Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]	R · TN		May 7, 2021
Rep. Mann, Tracey [R-KS-1]	R · KS		May 7, 2021
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		May 7, 2021
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		May 7, 2021
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		May 7, 2021
Rep. Newman, Marie [D-IL-3]	D · IL		May 7, 2021
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		May 7, 2021
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		May 7, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		May 7, 2021
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		May 7, 2021
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		May 12, 2021

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Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		May 12, 2021
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		May 12, 2021
Rep. Meijer, Peter [R-MI-3]	R · MI		May 12, 2021
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		May 12, 2021
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		May 12, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		May 12, 2021
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		May 12, 2021
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		May 12, 2021
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		May 12, 2021
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		May 19, 2021
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		May 19, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		May 19, 2021
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		May 19, 2021
Rep. Jackson, Ronny [R-TX-13]	R · TX		May 19, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		May 19, 2021
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		May 19, 2021
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		May 19, 2021
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		May 19, 2021
Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		May 19, 2021
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		May 20, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 20, 2021
Rep. Davids, Sharice [D-KS-3]	D · KS		May 28, 2021
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		May 28, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		May 28, 2021
Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4]	D · VA		May 28, 2021
Rep. Reed, Tom [R-NY-23]	R · NY		May 28, 2021
Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	R · TN		May 28, 2021
Rep. Schrier, Kim [D-WA-8]	D · WA		May 28, 2021
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Jun 4, 2021
Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]	R · VA		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Gregory [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. Armstrong, Kelly [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Cawthorn, Madison [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Herrell, Yvette [R-NM-2]	R · NM		Jun 30, 2021

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Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. LaTurner, Jake [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Moore, Blake D. [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Bucshon, Larry [R-IN-8]	R · IN		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Jul 28, 2021
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Aug 6, 2021
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Aug 6, 2021
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Aug 6, 2021
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Aug 20, 2021
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Aug 20, 2021
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Aug 31, 2021
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Sep 28, 2021
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-2]	R · IA		Sep 28, 2021
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Dec 8, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Jan 12, 2022
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Jan 18, 2022
Rep. Carey, Mike [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Jan 28, 2022
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Mar 15, 2022
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Mar 15, 2022
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Mar 28, 2022
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Mar 29, 2022
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Apr 26, 2022
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		May 10, 2022
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		May 10, 2022
Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		May 10, 2022
Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	R · ID		May 10, 2022
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		May 10, 2022
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		May 10, 2022
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		May 17, 2022
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		May 19, 2022
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jun 7, 2022
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jun 7, 2022

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Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Jun 13, 2022
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Jun 17, 2022
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jul 19, 2022
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Oct 11, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 15, 2021
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 26, 2021
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 29, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 978	Related bill	Mar 25, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Summary (as of Mar 26, 2021)

Flexible Financing for Rural America Act

This bill allows rural utility service providers to submit to the Department of Agriculture (USDA) a request to adjust the interest rate or modify the terms of certain loans. The request shall include a report summarizing how the adjustment or modification will assist the borrower in providing critical utility services to a rural community.

Specifically, on receipt of a request, USDA or the Department of the Treasury (in the case of a loan owned by the Federal Financing Bank) must

- adjust the interest rate on the loan to match certain interest rates for obligations of comparable maturity to the term remaining on the loan (or a higher rate requested by the borrower), and
- make modifications to the loan terms as necessary to address changes in the financial position of the borrower due to the COVID-19 public health emergency and to promote the financial sustainability of the borrower.

In carrying out the adjustments or modifications, USDA or Treasury shall not impose or collect any fee from, or impose any penalty on, a borrower.

The bill also provides funding to implement the adjustments and modifications and for the liquidation of residual intragovernmental amounts owed by the Federal Financing Bank in connection with certain loans.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 15, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.
- **Mar 29, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Mar 26, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 26, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and the Budget, 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.