

HR 2378

Farmers' Market and Food Bank Local Revitalization Act of 2023

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Foreign Agriculture, and Horticulture. (Apr 25, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Mar 29, 2023
Rep. Caraveo, Yadira [D-CO-8]	D · CO		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Budzinski, Nikki [D-IL-13]	D · IL		Sep 18, 2023
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Sep 26, 2023
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Oct 11, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 25, 2023
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 29, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill provides for increased support for farmers' markets.

This bill reauthorizes, and extends funding for, the Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program through FY2028. The bill also (1) expands eligibility for the program by increasing the income limit, (2) increases the minimum individual benefit, and (3) removes the maximum individual benefit limit.

The bill extends the WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program through FY2028 and increases the minimum and maximum individual benefits under the program.

Further, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) must make loans, loan guarantees, and grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations for the construction of new farmers' markets or the improvement or rehabilitation of existing farmers' markets. The bill provides funding for these loans, loan guarantees, and grants through FY2029, with certain cost-sharing requirements.

Additionally, USDA must establish a pilot grant program to allow food banks to voluntarily contract with local farmers to grow produce for food bank programs as a way to promote local procurement of produce. The bill provides funding for the pilot program through FY2025.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 25, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Foreign Agriculture, and Horticulture.
- **Mar 30, 2023:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E282-283)
- **Mar 29, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 29, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.