

HR 2420

Cattle Fever Tick Eradication Program Enhancement Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 118 HR 8467 | Related bill | May 24, 2024: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 33 - 21. |
| 118 S 1836 | Related bill | Jun 6, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. |

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This bill requires the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to enter into a contract to evaluate the Cattle Fever Tick Eradication Program. (Under the program, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service works in coordination with the Texas Animal Health Commission to combat the spread of cattle fever ticks, which can spread a serious cattle disease called bovine babesiosis or cattle fever.)

Specifically, USDA must enter into a contract to review and report on the Cattle Fever Tick Eradication Program with a (1) land-grant college or university, or (2) non-land-grant college of agriculture.

The review must include an evaluation of

- the program's effectiveness with respect to preventing and reducing the spread of tick-borne illnesses in cattle;
- the program's benefits, and the burdens of compliance, to cattle producers;
- the treatment protocols developed and implemented under the program; and
- the federal and state funds allocated to support the program for the most recent fiscal year.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 25, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.
- **Mar 30, 2023:** Introduced in House
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