

HR 4861

To amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to authorize grants for eligible institutions to carry out agriculture workforce training programs, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology. (Aug 28, 2023)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 28, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 2341	Identical bill	Jul 18, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Summary (as of Jul 25, 2023)

This bill directs the National Institute of Food and Agriculture to establish a grant program within its Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program for eligible institutions to develop and carry out agriculture workforce training programs. Eligible institutions include U.S. land-grant universities, non-land-grant colleges of agriculture, junior or community colleges with agriculture programs, and area career and technical education schools with agriculture programs.

The grants must be used to develop and carry out programs to (1) promote the growth of the agriculture industry, (2) foster competitiveness within the industry, and (3) improve the training and retention of workers in the industry.

An *agriculture workforce training program* is a program developed by an eligible institution in collaboration with a targeted industry partner through which the industry partner provides training to enrolled students. This may include training through internships, apprenticeships, experience-based curricula, and educational programs and workshops.

The program must be implemented by January 31, 2024.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 28, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.