

## HR 965

Coffee Plant Health Initiative Amendments Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** Feb 9, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology. (Mar 22, 2023)

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2023

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 371	Related bill	<b>Feb 9, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

## Coffee Plant Health Initiative Amendments Act

This bill expands the research and extension grant program for the coffee plant health initiative. Under current law, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) may provide competitive grants under the initiative to support research and extension activities to combat the insect known as the coffee berry borer (*Hypothenemus hampei*).

Specifically, the bill authorizes USDA to provide competitive grants for

- developing and disseminating science-based tools and treatments to combat plant pests and noxious weeds that impact coffee plants;
- establishing an area-wide integrated pest management program in areas affected by, or at risk of being affected by, plant pests or noxious weeds that impact coffee plants;
- surveying and collecting data on coffee plant production and health;
- investigating coffee plant biology, immunology, ecology, genomics, and bioinformatics; and
- conducting research on various factors that may contribute to or be associated with coffee plant immune systems and other serious threats to coffee plants.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 22, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.
- **Feb 9, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 9, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.