

## HR 4708

Spotted Lanternfly Research and Development Act

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 23, 2025

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jul 23, 2025)

### Spotted Lanternfly Research and Development Act

This bill includes combatting the spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*) as a Department of Agriculture (USDA) high-priority research and extension area and reauthorizes other USDA research and extension initiatives.

The bill specifically allows grants for developing and disseminating research-based tools and treatments to combat the spotted lanternfly, which is an invasive species native to Asia that feeds on a wide range of crops and plants (e.g., grapes, apples, hops, walnuts, and hardwood trees).

Further, the bill reauthorizes USDA grants to support competitive specialized research and extension activities, including high-priority areas, through FY2030. The bill also specifically reauthorizes through FY2030

- the Pulse Crop Health Initiative;
- the Comprehensive Food Safety Training Network;
- pollinator protection research and extension grants;
- increased USDA capacity and infrastructure to address and conduct research on colony collapse disorder and other pollinator issues; and
- a USDA-conducted nationwide honey bee pest, pathogen, health, and population status surveillance program.



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