

To amend Federal Law as it deals with the federal farm subsidies.

In the House of Representatives

January 4, 2017

The Federal Farm Bill of 2017

Section 1

Beginning January 1, 2018, all farm price supports, subsidies and all other payment and credit mechanisms (except crop insurance and payment for crops actually delivered to the federal government) from the federal government to farmers and ranchers, whether practiced as an individual, corporation or as any other type of organization are reduced from 2017 levels, by 25% a year in each year of the next four years so they reach 0% in 2021.

Section 2

Any federal department engaged in activities supporting, monitoring or in any way related to farm and ranch price support mechanisms shall be closed and all federal employees in those departments shall be terminated by December 31, 2020.

Section 3

The federal government may not purchase any crop unless such purchase shall be shipped overseas as free foreign aid, or distributed free within the United States within one hundred eighty days of purchase. Any purchases made by the federal government shall be at the most recent thirty-day average purchase price for that commodity as established by U.S. commodities markets.

Section 4

No price support, subsidy or other form of payment to farmers or ranchers including new credit mechanisms may be made in any form unless presented in a new Bill with that as its only subject and content and then passed by a sixty percent majority of both the House and the Senate of the United States.

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