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# H. R. 2842

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 25, 2013

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California (for herself, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. ISSA, Mr. SALMON, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. BARROW of Georgia, and Mr. PETERS of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. IMPROVED COMPETITION IN THE DEPART-**  
2 **MENT OF AGRICULTURE CANNED TUNA PUR-**  
3 **CHASING PROGRAM.**

4 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-  
5 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall revise the Agricul-  
6 tural Marketing Service Master Solicitation and Supple-  
7 ment specifications for the purchase of canned tuna to re-  
8 quire that—

9 (1) all such tuna be landed by United States  
10 flagged fishing vessels;

11 (2) not less than 75 percent of the value of  
12 such tuna be produced in the United States; and

13 (3) all such tuna be canned in the United  
14 States, including the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico,  
15 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Is-  
16 lands, or territories or possessions of the United  
17 States.

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