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To require that a State be ineligible to receive funds under certain Federal programs unless the State has in effect a State law restricting the purchase of agricultural land by certain foreign persons, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 20, 2023

Mrs. BICE (for herself, Mr. EDWARDS, Ms. MACE, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DE REMER, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. DONALDS, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. FLOOD, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. BABIN, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. BILLIAKIS, Mr. ELLZEY, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, Ms. VAN DUYN, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. GUEST, and Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Energy and Commerce, and Science, Space, and Technology, 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

A BILL

To require that a State be ineligible to receive funds under certain Federal programs unless the State has in effect a State law restricting the purchase of agricultural land by certain foreign persons, and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Stop China’s Contin-
3 uous Purchase of Land Act” or the “Stop CCP Land
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. RESTRICTING THE PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL**
6 **LAND BY FOREIGN PERSONS.**

7 (a) **ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE COVERED PROGRAM**
8 **FUNDS.**—Beginning on the date that is 1 year after the
9 date of the enactment of this Act, a State may not receive
10 covered program funds unless that State has in effect a
11 State law—

12 (1) prohibiting each covered foreign country (or
13 a person acting on behalf of a covered foreign coun-
14 try) from purchasing agricultural land in the State;
15 and

16 (2) requiring that persons from a covered for-
17 eign country that hold agricultural land in the State
18 prior to the date of the enactment of the State law
19 described in paragraph (1) annually submit a report
20 to the State department of agriculture (or equiva-
21 lent) with respect to such agricultural holdings.

22 (b) **REPORTS.**—

23 (1) **SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE REPORT.**—
24 Not later than 1 year after the date of the enact-
25 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall
26 submit to Congress a report on how the Agricultural

1 Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 (7
2 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) should be updated to ensure
3 accurate documentation and monitoring of foreign
4 investment in agricultural land.

5 (2) GAO REPORT.—Not later than 90 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
7 Comptroller General of the United States shall sub-
8 mit to Congress a report that includes—

9 (A) an assessment of the impact of this
10 Act with respect to national security; and

11 (B) any measures that can be taken to bet-
12 ter secure real estate in the United States from
13 foreign manipulation.

14 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) AFIDA TERMS.—The terms “agricultural
16 land” and “foreign person” have the meanings given
17 those terms in section 9 of the Agricultural Foreign
18 Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 3508).

19 (2) COVERED FOREIGN COUNTRY.—The term
20 “covered foreign country”—

21 (A) means a country listed on the State
22 Department’s Defense Trade Control Country
23 Policies List (listed in table 1 to paragraph
24 (d)(1) under section 126.1 of title 22, Code of
25 Federal Regulations); and

1 (B) includes Russia.

2 (3) COVERED PROGRAM FUNDS.—The term
3 “covered program funds” means funds made avail-
4 able under Public Law 117–169 for—

5 (A) Environmental and Climate Data Im-
6 provement;

7 (B) Electric Loans for Renewable Energy;

8 (C) Assistance for Distressed Borrowers;

9 (D) the Equity Commission;

10 (E) Assistance and Support for Under-
11 served Farmers, Ranchers, and Foresters;

12 (F) the Forest Legacy Program;

13 (G) the Urban and Community Forestry
14 Assistance Program;

15 (H) Home Energy Performance-Based,
16 Whole-House Rebates;

17 (I) the High-Efficiency Electric Home Re-
18 bate Program;

19 (J) State-Based Home Efficiency Con-
20 tractor Training Grants;

21 (K) Assistance for Latest and Zero Build-
22 ing Energy Code Adoption;

23 (L) Investing in Coastal Communities and
24 Climate Resilience;

- 1 (M) Acquisition of Hurricane Forecasting
2 Aircraft;
- 3 (N) the DHS Office of Chief Readiness
4 Support Officer;
- 5 (O) Conservation and Resilience;
- 6 (P) Conservation and Ecosystem Restora-
7 tion;
- 8 (Q) Canal Improvement Projects; or
- 9 (R) Climate Change Technical Assistance
10 for Insular Areas.

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