

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 2619

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 27, 2023

Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. WICKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Promoting American  
5 Competition in Aquaculture Research Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZING AQUACULTURE ASSISTANCE PRO-**  
2 **GRAMS; TREATMENT OF INDIRECT COSTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1477(a) of the National  
4 Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy  
5 Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3324(a)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at the  
7 end;

8 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at  
9 the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(3) \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024  
12 through 2028.”.

13 (b) INDIRECT COSTS.—Section 1477 of the National  
14 Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy  
15 Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3324) is amended by adding at  
16 the end the following:

17 “(c) INDIRECT COSTS.—Effective beginning on the  
18 date of enactment of this subsection—

19 “(1) the limitation with respect to indirect costs  
20 under section 1462 shall apply with respect to  
21 awards made under this subtitle; and

22 “(2) the limitation with respect to indirect costs  
23 under section 1473 shall not apply with respect to  
24 those awards.”.