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*Wadsworth*

Amendment #: 026

Submitted by Rep. Lampson – Title IX – Biobased Procurement Program

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**OFFERED BY MR. LAMPSON OF TEXAS**

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13           each Federal agency under subsection (g), and the  
14           voluntary labeling program under subsection (h).”.

15           (f) REPEAL OF SUBSECTION.—Subsection (b) of sec-  
16           tion 9002 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act  
17           of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8102(b)) is hereby repealed.

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Amendment #: 085

Submitted by Rep. Goodlatte – Title II – Strike grant functions of the Farmland and  
Ranchland Protection Program

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update



**SECONDARY AMENDMENT TO GOODLATTE #85**

Strike Section 7 of the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2103c), the Forest Legacy Program.

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SUBSTITUTE TO  
GOODLATTE #85

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419

OFFERED BY M. Holden

Strike section 2110 and insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 2110. FARM AND RANGLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM.

2 Subchapter B of chapter 2 of subtitle D of title XII  
3 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3838h et  
4 seq.) is amended to read as follows:

5 "Subchapter B—Farm and Rangeland  
6 Protection Program

7 "SEC. 1238H. DEFINITIONS.

8 "In this subchapter:

9 "(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term 'eligible en-  
10 tity' means any of the following:

11 "(A) An agency of a State or local govern-  
12 ment or an Indian tribe (including a farmland  
13 protection board or land resource council estab-  
14 lished under State law).

15 "(B) An organization that is organized for,  
16 and at all times since the formation of the orga-  
17 nization has been operated principally for, 1 or  
18 more of the conservation purposes specified in  
19 clause (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv) of section

1 170(h)(4)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of  
2 1986.

3 “(C) An organization described in section  
4 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986  
5 that is exempt from taxation under section  
6 501(a) of that Code.

7 “(D) An organization described in section  
8 509(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of  
9 1986.

10 “(E) An organization described in section  
11 509(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986  
12 that is controlled by an organization described  
13 in section 509(a)(2), of that Code.

14 “(2) ELIGIBLE LAND.—The term ‘eligible land’  
15 means land on a farm or ranch that—

16 “(A) is cropland;

17 “(B) is rangeland;

18 “(C) is grassland;

19 “(D) is pasture land;

20 “(E) is forest land that is an incidental  
21 part of an agricultural operation, as determined  
22 by the Secretary; or

23 “(F) contains historical or archaeological  
24 resources.

1           “(3) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ‘Indian tribe’  
2           has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the  
3           Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance  
4           Act (25 U.S.C. 450b).

5           “(4) PROGRAM.—The term ‘program’ means  
6           the farm and ranchland protection program estab-  
7           lished under section 1238I(a).

8           “(5) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means  
9           the Secretary of Agriculture.

10 **“SEC. 1238I. FARM AND RANCHLAND PROTECTION PRO-**  
11 **GRAM.**

12           “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

13           “(1) ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE.—The  
14           Secretary shall establish and carry out a farm and  
15           ranchland protection program under which the Sec-  
16           retary shall facilitate and provide funding for the  
17           purchase of conservation easements or other inter-  
18           ests in eligible land that is subject to a pending offer  
19           from a certified State or eligible entity for the pur-  
20           pose of protecting the agricultural use and related  
21           conservation values of the land by limiting incompat-  
22           ible nonagricultural uses of the land.

23           “(2) PRIORITY.—In carrying out the program,  
24           the Secretary shall give the highest priority—

1           “(A) to protecting farm and ranchland  
2           with prime, unique or other productive soils  
3           that are at risk of non-agricultural develop-  
4           ment; or

5           “(B) to projects that further a State or  
6           local policy consistent with the purposes of the  
7           program.

8           “(b) GRANTS TO CERTIFIED STATES.—The Sec-  
9           retary shall make grants to States certified by the Sec-  
10          retary under subsection (c). Such grants shall be made  
11          based on demonstrated need for farm and ranch land pro-  
12          tection. Grants may be made for multiple transactions so  
13          long as all funds provided under the program are used  
14          to purchase conservation easements or other interests in  
15          land in a timely and effective manner. A State receiving  
16          a grant under this subsection may use up to 10 percent  
17          of the grant funds for reasonable costs of purchasing and  
18          enforcing conservation easements.

19          “(c) CERTIFICATION OF STATES FOR GRANTS.—

20                 “(1) CERTIFICATION PROCESS.—The Secretary  
21                 shall implement a process, to be published in the  
22                 Federal Register, for certifying States as eligible to  
23                 participate in the program. The Secretary may pro-  
24                 vide a reasonable transitional period, not to extend  
25                 past September 30, 2008, in order to allow contin-

1       ued operation of the program for such time as need-  
2       ed for the Secretary to implement the certification  
3       process.

4           “(2) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—To be  
5       certified under the process implemented under para-  
6       graph (1), a State shall demonstrate, at a minimum,  
7       the following:

8           “(A) A legislative or organizational pur-  
9       pose consistent with the purposes of the pro-  
10      gram.

11          “(B) The necessary authority and the re-  
12      sources and technical ability to monitor and en-  
13      force the terms of conservation easements or  
14      other interests in land or to require the holder  
15      of such easements or other interests in land ac-  
16      quired with the use of funding under the pro-  
17      gram to monitor and enforce the terms of such  
18      easements or other interests in land.

19          “(C) The capacity to provide the necessary  
20      matching funds from non-Federal sources for  
21      projects undertaken under the program and to  
22      use program funds in a timely and effective  
23      manner.

24          “(D) Policies and procedures to ensure  
25      that, on average, the purchase price of con-

1            servation easements or other interests in land  
2            purchased with program funds do not exceed  
3            the fair market value of the easements or other  
4            interests in land.

5            “(E) Policies and procedures that ensure  
6            that conservation easements or other interests  
7            in land purchased with program funds will con-  
8            tinue to protect the agricultural use and related  
9            conservation values of the land.

10           “(F) Provision for continued stewardship  
11           of the conservation easements or other interest  
12           in land purchased with program funds in the  
13           event the State loses its certification under the  
14           program.

15           “(G) A determination of its own criteria  
16           and priorities for purchasing conservation ease-  
17           ments and other interests in land under the  
18           program.

19           “(d) AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—

20           “(1) AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.—The Sec-  
21           retary may enter into an agreement with an eligible  
22           entity, under which the entity may purchase con-  
23           servation easements using a combination of its own  
24           funds and funds distributed by the Secretary under  
25           the program.

1           “(2) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—An agreement  
2           under this subsection shall stipulate the terms and  
3           conditions under which the eligible entity shall use  
4           funds provided by the Secretary under the program.  
5           The eligible entity shall be authorized to use its own  
6           terms and conditions for conservation easements and  
7           other purchases of interests in land, so long as—

8                   “(A) such terms and conditions are con-  
9                   sistent with the purposes of the program and  
10                  permit effective enforcement of the conservation  
11                  purposes of such easements or other interests;

12                  “(B) the eligible entity has in place a re-  
13                  quirement consistent with agricultural activities  
14                  regarding the impervious surfaces to be allowed  
15                  for any conservation easement or other interest  
16                  in land purchased using grant funds provided  
17                  under the program; and

18                  “(C) the eligible entity requires use of a  
19                  conservation plan for any highly erodible crop-  
20                  land for which a conservation easement or other  
21                  interest in land has been purchased using grant  
22                  funds provided under the program.

23           “(e) FEDERAL CONTINGENT RIGHT OF ENFORCE-  
24           MENT.—The Secretary may require the inclusion of a Fed-  
25           eral contingent right of enforcement or executory limita-



1 tion in a conservation easement or other interest in land  
2 for conservation purposes purchased with Federal funds  
3 provided under the program, in order to preserve the ease-  
4 ment as a party of last resort. The inclusion of such a  
5 right or interest shall not be considered to be the Federal  
6 acquisition of real property and the Federal standards and  
7 procedures for land acquisition shall not apply to the in-  
8 clusion of the right or interest

9 “(f) REVIEW; REVOCATION.—

10 “(1) REVIEW.—Every 3 years, the Secretary  
11 shall review the certification of States under sub-  
12 section (c) and the performance of eligible entities in  
13 meeting the terms and conditions of an agreement  
14 under subsection (d).

15 “(2) REVOCATION.— If, in the determination of  
16 the Secretary, a State no longer meets the qualifica-  
17 tions described in subsection (c)(2) or an eligible en-  
18 tity is not meeting the terms and conditions of an  
19 agreement under subsection (d), the Secretary  
20 may—

21 “(A) revoke the certification of the State  
22 or terminate the agreement with the eligible en-  
23 tity; or

24 “(B) allow the State or eligible entity a  
25 specified period of time in which to take such

1 actions as may be necessary to retain its certifi-  
2 cation or to meet the terms and conditions of  
3 the agreement, as the case may be.

4 “(g) CONSERVATION PLAN.—Any highly erodible  
5 cropland for which a conservation easement or other inter-  
6 est is purchased under this subchapter shall be subject to  
7 the requirements of a conservation plan. In the case of  
8 an easement or other interest in land that is perpetual  
9 in duration, the Secretary may not require the conversion  
10 of the cropland to less intensive uses if, under such plan,  
11 soil erosion can be reduced to ‘T’ or below.

12 “(h) COST SHARING.—The share of the cost provided  
13 under this section for purchasing a conservation easement  
14 or other interest in land shall not exceed 50 percent of  
15 the appraised fair market value of the conservation ease-  
16 ment or other interest in eligible land. Fair market value  
17 shall be determined on the basis of an appraisal of the  
18 conservation easement or other interest in eligible land  
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Amendment #: 126

Submitted by Rep. Conditte - En Bloc McGovern  
Dole

126

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY REP. GOODLATTE

Amends Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ - of the En Bloc amendment, the McGovern Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program Funding Levels, to remove Commodity Credit Corporation authorization and replace with an equal amount of funding through authorization for appropriations.

#127  
VU agreed

**AMENDMENT TO TITLE IV (DATED JULY 13, 2007)  
OFFERED BY MRS. SCHMIDT OF OHIO**

At an appropriate place insert the following (and make such technical and conforming changes as may be appropriate):

1       SEC. III. NUTRITION EDUCATION.

2               (a) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE NUTRITION EDU  
3       CATION.—Section 4(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977  
4       (7 U.S.C. 2013(a)) is amended in the first sentence by  
5       inserting “and through an approved State plan, nutrition  
6       education” after “an allotment”.

7               (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Section 11(f) of the Food  
8       and Nutrition Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2020(f)) is amended  
9       to read as follows:

10              “(f) NUTRITION EDUCATION.—

11                      “(1) IN GENERAL.—State agencies may implement  
12              a nutrition education program for individuals  
13              eligible for Secure Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
14              benefits that promotes healthy food choices consistent with  
15              current Dietary Guidelines.

16                      “(2) DELIVERY OF NUTRITION EDUCATION.—

17              State agencies may deliver nutrition education directly  
18              to eligible persons or through agreements with

1 the Cooperative State Research, Education and Ex  
2 tension Service, including through the expanded food  
3 and nutrition education under section 3(d) of the  
4 Act of May 8, 1914 (7 U.S.C. 343(d)), and other  
5 State and community health and nutrition providers  
6 and organizations.

7 “(3) NUTRITION EDUCATION STATE PLANS.—  
8 State agencies wishing to provide nutrition education  
9 under this subsection shall submit a Nutrition Edu-  
10 cation State Plan to the Food and Nutrition Service  
11 for approval. The plan shall identify the uses of the  
12 funding for local projects and conform to standards  
13 set forth by the Secretary in regulations or guidance.  
14 State costs for providing nutrition education under this  
15 subsection shall be reimbursed pursuant to section 16(a).

16 “(4) NOTIFICATION.—Whenever practicable,  
17 State agencies shall notify applicants, participants,  
18 and eligible program participants of the availability  
19 of nutrition education under this subsection.”.

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*w/ve language change*

Amendment #: 060

Submitted by Rep. Ms. Herseth Sandlin – Reserve Fund Title I Raise the non-recourse loans on honey

Herseth Sandlin Amendment \_\_\_\_\_  
Amendment to the Reserve Fund to Change the Commodity Title

To raise the rate for non-recourse loans on honey from 60¢ per  
pound to ~~70¢~~<sup>65</sup> per pound.

**AMENDMENT TO THE RESERVE FUND**  
**AMENDMENT**  
**OFFERED BY MS. HERSETH SANDLIN OF SOUTH**  
**DAKOTA**

At the appropriate place in the amendments to title I, insert the following new amendment:

Title I, page 28, line 19, strike "\$0.60" and insert  
~~"\$0.70".~~  
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*Updated*  
*via report*

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Amendment #: 018

Submitted by Rep. Gillibrand – Title X – Organic Conversion

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419**  
**OFFERED BY MRS. GILLIBRAND OF NEW YORK**

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. \_\_\_\_ . ORGANIC CONVERSION, TECHNICAL, AND EDU-  
2 CATIONAL ASSISTANCE.

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after  
4 the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary  
5 shall establish a program to provide cost share and incen-  
6 tive payments and technical and educational assistance to  
7 producers to promote conservation practices and activities  
8 for production systems undergoing transition, in whole or  
9 in part, to organic production in accordance with the Or-  
10 ganic Foods Production Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6501 et  
11 seq.).

12 (b) ORGANIC TRANSITION COST SHARE AND INCEN-  
13 TIVE PAYMENTS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall enter  
15 into contracts with eligible producers referred to in  
16 paragraph (2) to provide cost-share and incentive  
17 payments to assist in the transition to organic pro-  
18 duction systems.

1 (D) develop marketing, credit, business,  
2 and risk management plans, as appropriate.

3 (3) CONTRACT.—A contract entered into under  
4 paragraph (1) shall provide that—

5 (A) payments provided to a producer under  
6 the contract shall only be used for—

7 (i) conservation management and veg-  
8 etative and structural practices and activi-  
9 ties during transition to certified organic  
10 production that—

11 (I) are consistent with an organic  
12 plan; and

13 (II) protect soil, water, wildlife,  
14 air, and other natural resources, as  
15 required under the Organic Foods  
16 Production Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.  
17 6501 et seq.);

18 (ii) animal production measures con-  
19 sistent with an organic plan; and

20 (iii) such other measures as the Sec-  
21 retary determines are appropriate and con-  
22 sistent with an organic plan;

23 (B) subject to subparagraph (C), the con-  
24 tract shall terminate after a period of not more  
25 than three years; and

1           (1) ORGANIC PLAN.—The term “organic plan”  
2           means an organic plan submitted under section  
3           2114(a) of the Organic Foods Production Act of  
4           1990 (7 U.S.C. 6513(a)) and agreed to by the pro-  
5           ducer and handler of a product and a certifying  
6           agent under such section.

7           (2) TECHNICAL AND EDUCATIONAL ASSIST-  
8           ANCE.—The term “technical and educational assist-  
9           ance” means the conveyance of information and  
10          counsel regarding economic and business planning,  
11          marketing, and organic practices, such as entomo-  
12          logical practices and pest and weed control and pre-  
13          vention that satisfy organic practices.

14          (f) FUNDING.—There is authorized to be appro-  
15          priated to carry out this section \$50,000,000, which shall  
16          remain available until expended.

## Changes

On page 4 of the amendment, at line 5, add a new (D) as follows:

"(D) the Secretary may require repayment in whole of payments already received if the Secretary determines the eligible producer is not pursuing organic certification under the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6501 et. seq.)"

On page 4 of the amendment, at line 10 insert (B) an amount not to exceed \$50.00/acre for crop land, or \$25.00/acre for grazing land.

On page 4 of the amendment designate paragraph (B) as (C) and strike \$20,000 insert \$10,000.

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419**  
**OFFERED BY MR. MORAN OF KANSAS**  
(Page and line numbers refer to the conservation title of the  
chairman's mark)

Page 3, line 24, strike "paragraph (C)" and insert  
"paragraph (D)".

Page 4, after line 13, insert the following new subparagraph:

(C) dryland crop production and grazing practices on acreage enrolled into the conservation reserve enhancement program announced on May 27, 1998 (63 Fed. Reg. 28965) where the conservation reserve enhancement program is initiated to address declining groundwater or surface water resources and water quality issues associated with declining groundwater or surface water resources and the conservation reserve enhancement contract requires the owner or operator to retire a water right, except that in permitting dryland crop production and grazing, the Secretary shall—

(i) develop an appropriate working lands conservation plan that implements conservation practices suitable to the region to address soil conservation, water quality, wildlife habitat, or other environmental benefits;

(ii) apply the provisions of section 11005 of the [2007 Farm Bill] in determining the eligibility for crop insurance of dryland crop production and grazing activities allowed under a conservation reserve enhancement contract—

(aa) for the purposes of this section, dryland crop production and grazing activities allowed under a conservation reserve enhancement contract shall be considered 'noncropland' in applying the provisions of section 11005 of the [2007 Farm Bill];

(iii) reduce the rental payment otherwise payable under the contract by an amount commensurate with the economic value of the crop production or grazing activity, while still leaving sufficient financial incentives for the owner or operator to participate in the conservation reserve enhancement; and

(iv) at the request of a State that has previously entered into a conservation reserve enhancement program agreement, renegotiate the agreement to allow for the dryland crop production and grazing in accordance with this section.

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Amendment #: 120

Submitted by Rep. Moran – Title III – Minimum Level of Non-Emergency Food Assistance



**Moran Amendment Summary – Minimum Level of Non-Emergency Food Assistance**

The amendment would require that non-emergency food aid receive a minimum share of the aid provided in P.L. 480 II unless a waiver is approved by Congress and signed by the President.

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419**  
**OFFERED BY MR. MORAN OF KANSAS**

At the end of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3013. MINIMUM LEVEL OF NONEMERGENCY FOOD AS-**  
2 **SISTANCE.**

3 Section 412 of the Agricultural Trade Development  
4 and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1736f) is amended  
5 by inserting at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(e) MINIMUM LEVEL OF NONEMERGENCY FOOD AS-  
7 SISTANCE.—

8 “(1) FUNDS.—Of the amounts made available  
9 to carry out emergency and nonemergency food as-  
10 sistance programs under title II, not less than  
11 \$450,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through  
12 2012 shall be expended for nonemergency food as-  
13 sistance programs under title II.

14 “(2) WAIVER.—The Administrator may request  
15 a waiver to use less than the amount specified in  
16 paragraph (1) for a fiscal year for nonemergency  
17 food assistance programs under title II if—

18 “(A) the Administrator submits to the  
19 Committees on International Relations, Agri-  
20 culture, and Appropriations of the House of

1           Representatives and the Committees on Appro-  
2           priations and Agriculture, Nutrition, and For-  
3           estry of the Senate a report containing the rea-  
4           sons for the waiver; and

5           “(B) following submission of the report,  
6           Congress enacts a law approving the Adminis-  
7           trator’s waiver request before the funds are  
8           made available to the Administrator for emer-  
9           gency food assistance programs under title I.”.

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McCham<sup>o</sup> / O'Gorman  
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Amendment #: 124

Title VI

Submitted by Rep. Walsh - fix to #13 Railroad Study

AMENDMENT TO THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
TITLE  
OFFERED BY MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA

At the end of the title, add the following:

1 SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. STUDY OF RAILROAD ISSUES.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall  
3 conduct a study of railroad issues regarding the movement  
4 of agricultural products, domestically produced renewable  
5 fuels and domestically produced resources for the produc-  
6 tion of electricity for rural America, and economic develop-  
7 ment in rural America. The study shall include an exam-  
8 ination of the following:

*in coordination with  
the Secretary  
of Transportation,*

9 (1) The importance of freight railroads to—

10 (A) the delivery of equipment, seed, fer-  
11 tilizer, and other such products important to  
12 the development of agricultural commodities  
13 and products;

14 (B) the movement of agricultural commod-  
15 ities and products to market;

16 (C) the delivery of ethanol and other re-  
17 newable fuels;

1 (D) the delivery of domestically produced  
2 resources for use in the generation of electricity  
3 for rural America;

4 (E) the location of grain elevators, ethanol  
5 plants, and other facilities;

6 (F) the development of manufacturing fa-  
7 cilities in rural America; and

8 (G) the vitality and economic development  
9 of rural communities.

10 (2) The sufficiency in rural America of railroad  
11 capacity, the sufficiency of competition in the rail-  
12 road system, the reliability of rail service, and the  
13 reasonableness of railroad prices.

14 (3) The accessibility to rail customers in rural  
15 America of Federal processes for the resolution of  
16 rail customer grievances with the railroads.

17 (b) REPORT TO THE CONGRESS.—Within <sup>9</sup> months  
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
19 of Agriculture shall submit to <sup>Congress</sup> ~~the Committee on Agri-~~  
20 ~~culture of the House of Representatives and the Com-~~  
21 ~~mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Sen-~~  
22 ~~ate~~ a report that contains the results of the study required  
23 by subsection (a), and the recommendations of the Sec-  
24 retary for new Federal policies to address any problems  
25 identified by the study.

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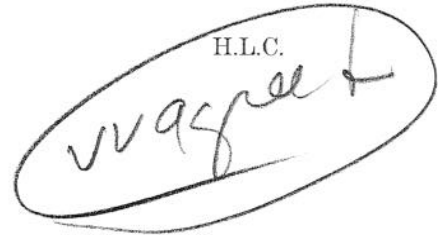
Amendment #: 084

Submitted by Rep. Goodlatte – Title V – Strike no out-sourcing

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419**  
**OFFERED BY MR. GOODLATTE OF VIRGINIA**

Title V, page 19, strike section 525





**SUBSTITUTE FOR THE GOODLATTE AMENDMENT**

**OFFERED BY M**       .

Title V, page 19, strike lines 6 through 12 and insert the following:

1   **"SEC. 365. RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FARM LOAN PRO-**  
2                            **GRAM ACTIVITIES.**

3            "The Secretary may not complete a study of, or enter  
4 into a contract with a private party to carry out, without  
5 specific authorization in a subsequent Act of Congress, a  
6 competitive sourcing activity of the Secretary of Agri-  
7 culture, including support personnel of the Department of  
8 Agriculture, relating to rural development or farm loan  
9 programs."