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Improves the ability of USDA to fund promising SAF research by ensuring the Biomass Research & Development Board has the necessary expertise to evaluate SAF proposals.

Increases domestic SAF refining capacity by restoring the ability of USDA to offer grants to get new refiners over the "valley of death".

Corrects Advanced Biorefinery payouts to address chemical differences between SAF and other advanced biofuel feedstocks.

Adds Sustainable Aviation Fuels to the advanced biofuels promoted by the Biodiesel Fuel Education Program.

Includes farmers growing SAF feedstock in BCAP.

Removes barriers to farmers harvesting SAF feedstock from crops planted between rotations to improve soil health by establishing an exemption from the RMA first / second plant regime for certain Biofuel Crops.

Requires a report to Congress on any other insurance barriers that make it more difficult for farmers to plant Biofuel Crops.

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Page 741, after line 3, insert the following:

1	SEC UPDATING THE BIOMASS RESEARCH AND DE-
2	VELOPMENT BOARD.
3	The Secretary shall determine whether the Biomass
4	Research and Development Board established by section
5	9008 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of
6	2002 has the requisite expertise to evaluate research pro-
7	posals and coordinate development activities relating to
8	sustainable aviation fuels and, based on the determination,
9	make such changes to the composition of the board and
10	board procedure as the Secretary deems necessary under
11	the authority provided by such section.
12	SEC SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL
13	BIOREFINERIES.
14	Section 9003(c) of the Farm Security and Rural In-
15	vestment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8103(c)) is amended to
16	read as follows:
17	"(c) Assistance.—The Secretary shall make avail-
18	able to eligible entities—
19	"(1) grants to assist in paying the costs of the
20	development and construction of demonstration-scale

1	biorefineries to demonstrate the commercial viability
2	of 1 or more processes for converting renewable bio-
3	mass to advanced biofuels; and
4	"(2) guarantees for loans made to fund the de-
5	velopment, construction, and retrofitting of commer-
6	cial-scale biorefineries using eligible technology.".
7	SEC AWARDING SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL AS
8	AN ADVANCED BIOFUEL.
9	Section 9005 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
10	ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8105) is amended by adding
11	at the end the following:
12	"(h) Innovation.—
13	"(1) Premiums.—Notwithstanding subsection
14	(e), the Secretary shall make additional payments as
15	premiums to payments under subsection (b) for the
16	purpose of encouraging the production of innovative
17	advanced biofuels.
18	"(2) LIMITATION.—The amount of any addi-
19	tional payment under paragraph (1) of this sub-
20	section shall not exceed 25 percent of the amount of
21	the initial payment under subsection (b).
22	"(3) Innovative advanced biofuels.—In
23	paragraph (1), the term 'innovative advanced
24	biofuels'—

1	"(A) means advanced biofuels with respect
2	to which the Secretary determines—
3	"(i) there is increasing market de-
4	mand; and
5	"(ii) a minority of payments under
6	this section have been made; and
7	"(B) includes advanced biofuels used for
8	aviation and other advanced biofuels determined
9	by the Secretary.".
10	SEC MODIFICATION OF THE BIOMASS CROP ASSIST-
11	ANCE PROGRAM.
12	Section 9011(a)(4)(B)(i) of the Farm Security and
13	Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8111(a)(4)(B)(i))
14	is amended by inserting ", other than a biofuel crop," be-
15	fore "that is eligible".
16	SEC ESTABLISHING BIOFUEL CROP DESIGNATION.
17	Section 508A(a) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act
18	(7 U.S.C. 1508a(a)) is amended—
19	(1) in paragraph (2), by inserting "or biofuel
20	crop" after "replanted crop"; and
21	(2) by adding at the end the following:
22	"(4) BIOFUEL CROP.—The term 'biofuel crop'
23	means camelina, carinata, pennycress, and any other
24	crop used in the production of advanced biofuels as
25	designated by the Secretary.".

- 1 SEC. ____. REPORT TO CONGRESS.
- Within 18 months after the date of the enactment
- 3 of this Act, the Secretary, acting through the Risk Man-
- 4 agement Agency, shall submit to the Congress a written
- 5 report on how approval for farmers to insure secondary
- 6 crops with revenue streams resulting from biofuel use can
- 7 be streamlined, with particular reference to carinata,
- 8 pennycress, camelina, and other oilseeds.

