

**Amendment offered by Nikki Budzinski**

**Amendment description**

The amendment would authorize increased and sustained federal funding for agricultural research at USDA by requiring a five percent annual funding increase for the next ten years.

**AMENDMENT**

**OFFERED BY MS . BUDZINSKI**

At the end of title VII, add the following (and make such conforming changes as may be necessary):

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . ADDITIONAL AGENCY FUNDING.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is appropriated, out of any  
3 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to each  
4 funding recipient described in subsection (b) for the pro-  
5 grams, projects, and activities of such funding recipient,  
6 the following amounts:

7 (1) For fiscal year 2026, the amount equal to  
8 105 percent of the amount of new budget authority  
9 made available in appropriation Acts for that fund-  
10 ing recipient for fiscal year 2024, increased by the  
11 percentage increase (if any), during fiscal year 2024,  
12 in the Consumer Price Index for all urban con-  
13 sumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

14 (2) For each of fiscal years 2027 through 2035,  
15 the amount equal to 105 percent of the amount ap-  
16 propriated to that funding recipient under this sec-  
17 tion for the previous fiscal year, increased by the  
18 percentage increase (if any), during such previous  
19 fiscal year, in the Consumer Price Index for all

1 urban consumers published by the Bureau of Labor  
2 Statistics.

3 (3) For fiscal year 2036, and each fiscal year  
4 thereafter, the amount appropriated under this sub-  
5 section for the previous fiscal year, increased by the  
6 percentage increase (if any), during such previous  
7 fiscal year, in the Consumer Price Index for all  
8 urban consumers published by the Bureau of Labor  
9 Statistics.

10 (b) FUNDING RECIPIENTS DESCRIBED.—The fund-  
11 ing recipients described in this subsection are—

12 (1) the Agricultural Research Service;

13 (2) the Economic Research Service;

14 (3) the National Agricultural Statistics Service;

15 and

16 (4) the National Institute of Food and Agri-  
17 culture.

18 (c) AVAILABILITY.—Each amount appropriated  
19 under subsection (a) shall remain available for obligation  
20 through the last day of the fiscal year for which such  
21 amount is appropriated.

22 (d) EXEMPTION FROM SEQUESTRATION.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 255(g)(1)(A) of the  
24 Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control  
25 Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 905(g)(1)(A)) is amended by

1 inserting after “Advances to the Unemployment  
2 Trust Fund and Other Funds (16–0327–0–1–600).”  
3 the following:

4 “Appropriations made available under  
5 section 2(a) of the America Grows Act of  
6 2025.”.

7 (2) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by  
8 paragraph (1) shall apply to any sequestration order  
9 issued under the Balanced Budget and Emergency  
10 Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900 et seq.)  
11 on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

12 (e) BUDGETARY EFFECTS.—

13 (1) STATUTORY PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The  
14 budgetary effects of this section shall not be entered  
15 on either PAYGO scorecard maintained pursuant to  
16 section 4(d) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of  
17 2010 (2 U.S.C. 933(d)).

18 (2) SENATE PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The budg-  
19 etary effects of this section shall not be entered on  
20 any PAYGO scorecard maintained for purposes of  
21 section 4106 of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress).

