Amendment Offered by Mrs. Fischbach of Minnesota
September 10th, 2021

This amendment strikes funding for the Civilian Climate Corps and repurposes it towards improvements to the Livestock Forage Program.

The Livestock Forage Program (LFP) provides payments to livestock producers that have suffered a loss of grazed forage due to drought during the normal grazing period for a county. The county must have been in D2 intensity for at least eight consecutive weeks to trigger one monthly payment, in D3 at any time to equal three monthly payments, in D3 for at least four weeks and D4 at any time to trigger four monthly payments, or D4 for four weeks to trigger five monthly payments. The payment rate is equal to 60 percent of the monthly feed cost.

Specifically, the changes include:
- Increasing the payment rate from 60% to 80% of the monthly feed cost.
- Changing the maximum amount of monthly payments to the greater of either:
  1. 5 months of payments
  2. The number of months a county is in D3 or higher during a calendar year.
AMENDMENT TO THE COMMITTEE PRINT
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Page 6, line 22, add "and" at the end.

Page 6, line 25, strike "; and" and insert a period.

Page 7, strike lines 1 through 12.

Page 18, line 23, add "and" at the end.

Page 19, line 2, strike "; and" and insert a period.

Page 19, strike lines 3 through 18.

Page 52, after line 2, add the following:

1 SEC. 14002. LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM FUNDING.

3 In addition to amounts otherwise made available, there is appropriated to the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Agriculture for fiscal year 2022, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $2,250,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2031, to provide compensation to eligible livestock producers under the livestock forage disaster program under section 1501(c) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 9081(c)), except that—
(1) in determining the payment rate under paragraph (3)(B)(i) of such section, the Secretary shall substitute "80 percent" for "60 percent"; and

(2) an eligible livestock producer shall be eligible to receive assistance under paragraph (3)(D)(ii)(II) of such subsection in an amount equal to the greater of the following:

(A) 5 monthly payments.

(B) Monthly payments for the number of months the county in which the grazing land or pastureland involved is located is rated by the U.S. Drought Monitor as having at least a D3 (extreme drought) intensity in any area of the county at any time during the normal grazing period for the county, as determined by the Secretary.