

**Summary:** The American Rescue Plan appropriated \$300 million for animal disease surveillance but limited it to COVID-19. The amendment would amend the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to allow USDA to conduct monitoring and surveillance, research, and vaccination as appropriate, of animals susceptible to SARS-CoV-2 as well as acquire veterinary countermeasures to replenish and maintain the National Veterinary Stockpile; respond to emerging animal disease threats; and carry out section 10409A of the Animal Health Protection Act which provides authorities for cooperative agreements for surveillance, detection and response to emerging disease threats like African Swine Fever.

**AMENDMENT TO THE COMMITTEE PRINT  
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At the end of the committee print, add the following:

1     **Subtitle F—Animal Health Use of**  
2                                     **Funds**

3     **SEC. 15001. IN GENERAL.**

4             In carrying out section 1001(c) of the American Res-  
5 cue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117–2), the Secretary  
6 shall use funds set aside under paragraph (2) of such sec-  
7 tion to—

8                     (1) conduct monitoring and surveillance, re-  
9 search, and vaccination as appropriate, of animals  
10 susceptible to SARS–CoV–2;

11                    (2) acquire veterinary countermeasures to re-  
12 plenish and maintain the National Veterinary Stock-  
13 pile;

14                    (3) respond to emerging animal disease threats;  
15 and

16                    (4) otherwise carry out section 10409A of the  
17 Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7  
18 U.S.C. 8308a).

