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H.R. 5829, the “Agriculture Delivering Vastly Improved Science at the EPA Now Act”

The Agriculture Delivering Vastly Improved Science at the EPA Now Act or the **ADVISE Now Act**, H.R. 5829, requires the EPA to create the Agriculture Science Advisory Board (SAB) Sub-committee within 30 days of its enactment. If the EPA fails to meet the deadline, the authority is transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture who then has 15 days to appoint members.

Implementation of law is a central duty of the executive branch. The President enacted the Agricultural Act of 2014 on February 7, 2014, and since then the executive branch has failed to fully implement the Act. Section 12307 of the Act directs the EPA to establish the Agriculture – Related Committee within its Science Advisory Board (SAB) – a directive which has not been followed over two and half years later.

The EPA continues to advance regulations impacting the agriculture community with limited say from those within the community. The establishment of the Agriculture SAB Sub-committee would give farmers a seat at the table and provide them with a stronger voice in the federal rulemaking process.