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To transfer the functions, duties, responsibilities, assets, liabilities, orders, determinations, rules, regulations, permits, grants, loans, contracts, agreements, certificates, licenses, and privileges of the United States Agency for International Development relating to implementing and administering the Food for Peace Act to the Department of Agriculture.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 11, 2025

Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. MARSHALL) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date of enact-
5 ment of this Act, the functions, duties, responsibilities, as-

1 sets, liabilities, orders, determinations, rules, regulations,
2 permits, grants, loans, contracts, agreements, certificates,
3 licenses, and privileges of the Administrator of the United
4 States Agency for International Development relating to
5 carrying out any authority under the Food for Peace Act
6 (7 U.S.C. 1691 et seq.) shall be transferred to the Sec-
7 retary of Agriculture.

8 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any provision of
9 law or regulation to the Administrator or Agency referred
10 to in subsection (a), as applicable, shall be deemed to be
11 a reference to the Secretary of Agriculture or to any de-
12 partment or office of the Department of Agriculture to
13 which the Secretary assigns the functions, duties, or re-
14 sponsibilities transferred pursuant to this Act, respec-
15 tively.

16 (c) REGULATIONS.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
17 vision of law, the Secretary of Agriculture may implement
18 amendments to a regulation referred to in subsection (a),
19 which shall be published as an interim final rule and may
20 be made effective immediately on publication, to ensure
21 continuity of the applicable program as a result of a trans-
22 fer under this Act.

23 (d) AUTHORITIES.—Any existing statutory authori-
24 ties available to the Administrator of the United States
25 Agency for International Development that have or could

1 have been used by the Administrator to implement the
2 functions, duties, or responsibilities of the United States
3 Agency for International Development relating to imple-
4 menting or administering the Food for Peace Act (7
5 U.S.C. 1691 et seq.) may be exercised by the Secretary
6 of Agriculture.

7 (e) FAMINE EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS NETWORK.—
8 Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary of Agri-
9 culture shall continue to carry out the Famine Early
10 Warning Systems Network or a successor program, 1 of
11 the purposes of which is to provide objective, evidence-
12 based analyses with respect to potential or existing famine
13 and flood situations to assist the Secretary of Agriculture
14 in mitigating food insecurity.

15 (f) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of Agriculture
16 shall consult with the Secretary of State from time to time
17 in carrying out the authorities under title II of the Food
18 for Peace Act (7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.).

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