

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2735

To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act to exempt actions undertaken to administer a marketing order issued under such Act from the antitrust laws.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 24, 1997

Mr. DOOLEY of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. EXEMPTION FROM ANTITRUST LAWS FOR AGRI-**
4 **CULTURE MARKETING ORDERS.**

5 Section 10 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7
6 U.S.C. 610), reenacted with amendments by the Agricul-
7 tural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, is amended by
8 adding at the end the following:

1 “(k) No action, regulation, decision, determination,
2 or other act or omission of any individual acting on behalf
3 of, or under the authority of, the Secretary of Agriculture
4 with respect to an agricultural marketing order or agree-
5 ment issued under the authority of section 8c or another
6 provision of law shall be construed to be within the prohi-
7 bitions of the antitrust laws of the United States.”.

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