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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 7, 1997

Mr. GRASSLEY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. RELIEF TO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS FOR**
2 **FLOODING LOSS CAUSED BY DAM ON LAKE**
3 **REDROCK, IOWA.**

4 (a) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for assistance under
5 this section, an agricultural producer must—

6 (1)(A) be an owner or operator of land who
7 granted an easement to the Federal Government for
8 flooding losses to the land caused by water retention
9 at the dam site at Lake Redrock, Iowa; or

10 (B) have been an owner or operator of land
11 that was condemned by the Federal Government be-
12 cause of flooding of the land caused by water reten-
13 tion at the dam site at Lake Redrock, Iowa; and

14 (2) have incurred losses that exceed the esti-
15 mates of the Secretary of the Army provided to the
16 producer as part of the granting of the easement or
17 as part of the condemnation.

18 (b) COMPENSATION.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
20 the Secretary of the Army shall compensate an eligi-
21 ble producer described in subsection (a) for flooding
22 losses to the land of the producer described in sub-
23 section (a)(2) in an amount determined by the Fed-
24 eral Crop Insurance Corporation.

1 (2) REDUCTION.—If the Secretary maintains a
2 water retention rate at the dam site at Lake
3 Redrock, Iowa, of—

4 (A) less than 769 feet, the amount of com-
5 pensation provided to a producer under para-
6 graph (1) shall be reduced by 10 percent;

7 (B) not less than 769 feet and not more
8 than 772 feet, the amount of compensation pro-
9 vided to a producer under paragraph (1) shall
10 be reduced by 7 percent; and

11 (C) more than 772 feet, the amount of
12 compensation provided to a producer under
13 paragraph (1) shall be reduced by 3 percent.

14 (c) CROP YEARS.—This section shall apply to flood-
15 ing losses to the land of a producer described in subsection
16 (a)(2) that are incurred during the 1997 and subsequent
17 crop years.

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