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H. R. 2716

To provide supplemental market loss payments for farm owners and producers
for certain 1999 crops.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SMITH of Michigan (for himself, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. BOSWELL, and Mr. THUNE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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. MARKET LOSS ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS FOR**
4 **FARM OWNERS AND PRODUCERS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (e), the Sec-
6 retary of Agriculture shall use not more than
7 \$5,500,000,000 for assistance to owners and producers on
8 a farm who are eligible for final payments for fiscal year

1 1999 under a production flexibility contract for the farm
2 under the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C.
3 7201 et seq.) to partially compensate the owners and pro-
4 ducers for the loss of markets for the 1999 crop of a com-
5 modity.

6 (b) AMOUNT.—The amount of assistance made avail-
7 able to owners and producers on a farm under this section
8 shall be proportional to the amount of the contract pay-
9 ment received by the owners and producers for fiscal year
10 1999 under a production flexibility contract for the farm
11 under the Agricultural Market Transition Act.

12 (c) TIME FOR PAYMENT.—The assistance made
13 available under this section for an eligible owner or pro-
14 ducer shall be made as soon as practicable after the date
15 of enactment of this Act.

16 (d) USE OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION.—
17 Subject to subsection (e), the Secretary shall use the
18 funds, facilities, and authorities of the Commodity Credit
19 Corporation to carry out this section.

20 (e) EMERGENCY REQUIREMENT.—Notwithstanding
21 the last sentence of section 252(e) of the Balanced Budget
22 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, amounts
23 made available by this section are designated by the Con-
24 gress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section
25 252(e) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit

1 Control Act of 1985: *Provided*, That such amounts shall
2 be available only to the extent that an official budget re-
3 quest that includes designation of the entire amount of
4 the request as an emergency requirement as defined in
5 the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act
6 of 1985, is transmitted by the President to Congress.

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