106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R. 3593

To amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to increase the amount of funds available for certain agricultural trade programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 8, 2000

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

- To amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to increase the amount of funds available for certain agricultural trade programs.
 - 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. SHORT TITLE.

- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Agricultural Market
- 5 Access and Development Act of 2000".

6 SEC. 2. MARKET ACCESS PROGRAM.

7 Section 211(c)(1) of the Agricultural Trade Act of
8 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5641(c)(1)) is amended by striking "and
9 not more than \$90,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1996
10 through 2002," and inserting "not more than

1 \$90,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1996 through 1999,
2 and not less than \$90,000,000 nor more than
3 \$200,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2000 through
4 2002,".

5 SEC. 3. USE OF EXPORT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FUNDS
6 FOR MARKET ACCESS OR DEVELOPMENT
7 PROGRAMS.

8 Section 301(e) of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978
9 (7 U.S.C. 5651) is amended by adding at the end the fol10 lowing:

11 "(3) USE OF EXPORT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM
12 FUNDS FOR MARKET ACCESS OR DEVELOPMENT
13 PROGRAMS.—

14 "(A) LESS THAN 20 PERCENT USE.—If on 15 July 1 of a fiscal year less than 20 percent of 16 the maximum amount of funds authorized to 17 carry out the program established under this 18 section have been expended during that fiscal 19 year to carry out the program established under 20 this section, the Commodity Credit Corporation 21 may use not more than 50 percent of the unex-22 pended amount to carry out market access and 23 development programs of the Commodity Credit Corporation during that fiscal year. 24

1 "(B) LESS THAN 50 PERCENT USE.—If on 2 July 1 of a fiscal year less than 50 percent, but 3 more than 20 percent, of the maximum amount 4 of funds authorized to carry out the program established under this section have been ex-5 6 pended during that fiscal year to carry out the 7 program established under this section, the Commodity Credit Corporation may use not 8 9 more than 20 percent of the unexpended 10 amount to carry out market access and develop-11 ment programs of the Commodity Credit Cor-12 poration during that fiscal year.".

13 SEC. 4. FOREIGN MARKET DEVELOPMENT COOPERATOR 14 PROGRAM.

15 Section 703 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978
16 (7 U.S.C. 5723) is amended to read as follows:

17 "SEC. 703. FUNDING.

18 "The Secretary shall use to carry out this title for
19 each of fiscal years 2000 through 2002 not less than
20 \$35,000,000 of the funds of the Commodity Credit Cor21 poration.".

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