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H. R. 2128

To provide market loss assistance to apple producers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HINCHEY (for himself, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. WALSH, Mr. REYNOLDS, and Mr. SWEENEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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 FOR APPLE PRO-**
4 **DUCERS.**

5 (a) ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE.—The Secretary of Agri-
6 culture shall use \$250,000,000 of funds of the Commodity
7 Credit Corporation to make payments as soon as possible
8 after the date of the enactment of this Act to apple pro-
9 ducers to provide relief for the loss of markets for their
10 2000 crop.

1 (b) PAYMENT BASIS.—The amount of the payment
2 to a producer under subsection (a) shall be made on a
3 per pound basis equal to each qualifying producer’s 2000
4 production of apples, except that the Secretary shall not
5 make payments for that amount of a particular farm’s
6 apple production that is in excess of 20,000,000 pounds.

7 (c) DUPLICATIVE PAYMENTS.—A producer shall be
8 ineligible for payments under this section with respect to
9 a market loss for apples to the extent of that amount that
10 the producer received as compensation or assistance for
11 the same loss under any other Federal program, other
12 than under the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C.
13 1501 et seq.).

14 (d) OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Sec-
15 retary shall not establish any terms or conditions for pro-
16 ducer eligibility, such as limits based upon gross income,
17 other than those specified in this section.

18 (e) APPLICABILITY.—This section applies only with
19 respect to the 2000 crop of apples and producers of that
20 crop.

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