

107TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 396

To amend the emergency crop loss assistance provisions of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, to respond to the severe economic losses being incurred by crop producers, livestock and poultry producers, and greenhouse operators as a result of the sharp increase in energy prices.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 6, 2001

Mr. PICKERING introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## 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. EMERGENCY RELIEF FROM HIGH ENERGY**  
2 **COSTS FOR CROP PRODUCERS, LIVESTOCK**  
3 **AND POULTRY PRODUCERS, AND GREEN-**  
4 **HOUSE OPERATORS.**

5 Section 815 of the Agriculture, Rural Development,  
6 Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Ap-  
7 propriations Act, 2001 (as enacted by Public Law 106–  
8 387; 114 Stat. 1549A–55), is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “paragraph  
10 (2)” and inserting “paragraph (2) and subsection  
11 (c)(2);

12 (2) in subsections (b)(2) and (d), by striking  
13 “subsection (c)(2)” each place it appears and insert-  
14 ing “subsection (c)(1)(B)”; and

15 (3) in subsection (c)—

16 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2),  
17 and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), re-  
18 spectively, and moving the margins of such sub-  
19 paragraphs 2 ems to the right;

20 (B) by striking “Assistance” and inserting  
21 the following:

22 “(1) LOSSES DUE TO DAMAGING WEATHER AND  
23 RELATED CONDITIONS.—”; and

24 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
25 paragraph:

1           “(2) ECONOMIC LOSSES DUE TO HIGHER EN-  
2       ERGY COSTS.—The Secretary shall also provide as-  
3       sistance under this section to crop producers, live-  
4       stock and poultry producers, and greenhouse opera-  
5       tors that have incurred higher operating costs dur-  
6       ing 2000 or 2001, and consequently severe economic  
7       losses, as a result of increases in energy prices.”.

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