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S. 568

To amend 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 costs or input costs from energy sources.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 20, 2001

Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. HUTCHINSON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agricultural, Nutrition, and Forestry

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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 (114 Stat. 1549, 1549A–55), is
 8 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)”;

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 indenting appropriately;

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

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

23 (C) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(2) ECONOMIC LOSSES DUE TO HIGHER EN-
 25 ERGY COSTS.—The Secretary shall also provide as-
 26 sistance under this section to crop producers, live-

1 stock and poultry producers, and greenhouse opera-
2 tors for any severe increased operating costs that
3 the producers and operators have experienced, or are
4 likely to experience, during calendar year 2000 or
5 2001 as the result of an increase in energy costs or
6 input costs from energy sources.”; and

7 (4) in subsection (e), by striking “Assistance”
8 and inserting “Except as provided in subsection
9 (c)(2), assistance”.

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