

112TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4015

To repeal the conservation stewardship program of the Department of
Agriculture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 13, 2012

Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred
to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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Department of Agriculture.

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 “Responsible Farming
5 Act of 2012”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that repealing the conservation stew-
8 ardship program of the Department of Agriculture while
9 honoring all stewardship contracts in effect on the date

1 of the enactment of this Act would reduce the deficit by
2 \$10,500,000,000 over a ten-year period.

3 **SEC. 3. REPEAL OF CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PRO-**
4 **GRAM.**

5 (a) REPEAL.—Subchapter B of chapter 2 of subtitle
6 D of title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C.
7 3838d et seq.) is repealed.

8 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1241(a)(3)
9 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)(3))
10 is amended—

11 (1) by striking “(A)”; and

12 (2) by striking subparagraph (B).

13 (c) EFFECT ON EXISTING CONTRACTS.—Nothing in
14 this section shall be construed to affect the validity or the
15 terms and conditions of any stewardship contract under
16 section 1238F of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16
17 U.S.C. 3838f) as in effect on the date before the date of
18 the enactment of this Act that was entered into on or be-
19 fore such date.

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