

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6404

To amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to provide for a set aside for small fruits in the specialty crop research initiative, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 17, 2018

Ms. DELBENE (for herself and Mr. LARSEN of Washington) 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. SET ASIDE FOR SMALL FRUITS IN SPECIALTY**
4 **CROP RESEARCH INITIATIVE.**

5 Section 412(k)(1)(C) of the Agricultural Research,
6 Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C.
7 7632(k)(1)(C)) is amended—

8 (1) by striking “2018” and inserting “2023”;

1 (2) by striking “shall reserve not less” and in-
2 serting the following: “shall reserve—

3 “(i) not less”; and

4 (3) by adding at the end the following new
5 clause:

6 “(ii) not less than \$2,500,000 to sup-
7 port research—

8 “(I) to promote sustainable pro-
9 duction of berry and grape crops; and

10 “(II) to improve, with respect to
11 such crops, the ability to forecast pest
12 and disease spread and to implement
13 precision pest and disease manage-
14 ment strategies.”.

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