

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

H. R. 4550

To reauthorize the United States Grain Standards Act, and for other purposes.

Amendment In the Nature of a Substitute intended to be proposed by Mr. Boozman (for himself and Ms. Klobuchar)

Viz:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “United States Grain Standards Reauthorization Act of 2025”.

SEC. 2. PRIORITIZING IMPROVEMENTS TO GRAIN GRADING TECHNOLOGY.

Section 2(b) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 74(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (3)(F), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) that the Secretary shall prioritize the adoption of improved grain grading technology to provide for the efficient, accurate, and consistent grading of grain.”.

SEC. 3. ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITIES.

(a) In General.—Section 7(e) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(5) MANNER OF INSPECTION OF DOMESTIC GRAIN AT EXPORT PORT LOCATIONS.—The Secretary may provide that grain that is not export grain and is loaded into or unloaded out of a rail car, barge, truck, or other container at an export port location shall be inspected in the manner provided in this subsection or subsection (f), as the Secretary determines will best meet the objectives of this Act.”.

(b) Conforming Amendment.—Section 7A(c)(2) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79a(c)(2)) is amended, in the first sentence, by inserting “or official agency” after “State agency”.

SEC. 4. INVESTMENT AUTHORITY.

(a) In General.—Section 7(j) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79(j)) is amended—

(1) by inserting “trust” before “fund” each place it appears;

(2) in paragraph (3), in the second sentence, by striking “Secretary shall be credited to the fund” and inserting “Secretary, and the interest earned from the investment of those

penalties, shall be credited to the trust fund created in paragraph (1)”; and

(3) in paragraph (5), in the first sentence, by striking “2025” and inserting “2030”.

(b) Conforming Amendments.—

(1) Section 7(g)(2) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79(g)(2)) is amended, in the second sentence, by inserting “trust” before “fund”.

(2) Section 7A(l) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79a(l)) is amended by inserting “trust” before “fund created in section 7(j)” each place it appears.

(3) Section 7B(a) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79b(a)) is amended, in the third sentence, by inserting “trust” before “fund”.

(4) Section 16(j) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 87e(j)) is amended by inserting “trust” before “fund”.

(5) Section 17A(e) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 87f–1(e)) is amended, in the third sentence, by inserting “trust” before “fund”.

SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY COSTS.

Section 7D of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 79d) is amended—

(1) by inserting “, equipment, and development of technology” after “activities”; and

(2) by striking “2025” and inserting “2030”.

SEC. 6. GENERAL AUTHORITIES.

Section 16(e) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 87e(e)) is amended by inserting “State agencies delegated authority under sections 7 and 7A, and official agencies,” after “Department of Agriculture,”.

SEC. 7. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

Section 17B(e) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 87f–2(e)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(2) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated), by striking “The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(1) DATA.—The Secretary”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS.—The Secretary shall, to the extent determined appropriate by the Secretary, in consultation with State agencies delegated authority under sections 7 and 7A, official agencies, and the grain industries described in the second sentence of section 21(a), publish—

“(A) an analysis of any existing deficiencies in the technology evaluation process; and

“(B) recommendations—

“(i) to advance the efficiency, accuracy, and consistency of grain grading; and
“(ii) to minimize costs imposed on the Federal Government and the grain
export industry.”.

SEC. 8. IMPROVING ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS EFFICIENCY AND CONTINUITY.

Section 21 of the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 87j) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by adding at the end the following:

“(5) NOMINATIONS; APPOINTMENT.—

“(A) NOMINATIONS.—Before the terms of the current members of the advisory
committee expire, the Secretary shall solicit nominations for individuals to be
appointed to the advisory committee.

“(B) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the end of the period of
soliciting nominations under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall announce the new
members that the Secretary has appointed to the advisory committee.

“(C) CONTINUITY OF SERVICE.—The current members of the advisory committee
may continue to serve until such time as new members are nominated and appointed by
the Secretary.”;

(B) in the matter preceding paragraph (5) (as added by subparagraph (A))—

(i) in the fourth sentence, by striking “No member” and inserting the following:

“(4) TERM LIMIT.—No member”;

(ii) in the third sentence, by striking “Members” and inserting the following:

“(3) TERM LENGTH.—Members”;

(iii) in the second sentence, by striking “The advisory” and inserting the
following:

“(2) COMPOSITION.—The advisory”;

(iv) in the first sentence, by inserting “(referred to in this section as the
‘advisory committee’)” before the period at the end; and

(v) by striking “(a) Not later” and inserting the following:

“(a) In General.—

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later”; and

(C) in paragraph (4) (as so designated), by striking “terms” and inserting “terms
unless the member is continuing to serve in accordance with paragraph (5)(C)”;

(2) in subsection (e), by striking “2025” and inserting “2030”.

SEC. 9. REAUTHORIZATION OF OTHER EXPIRING PROVISIONS.

- 1 (a) Weighing Fees and Duties.—Section 7A(l)(4) of the United States Grain Standards Act (7
2 U.S.C. 79a(l)(4)) is amended, in the first sentence, by striking “2025” and inserting “2030”.
- 3 (b) Authorization of Appropriations.—Section 19(a) of the United States Grain Standards Act
4 (7 U.S.C. 87h(a)) is amended by striking “2025” and inserting “2030”.