

1 Purpose: To prohibit excessive penalties for violations of converting wetlands and producing an
2 agricultural commodity on a converted wetland.

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7 To reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018.

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9 Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be
10 printed

11 Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

12 AMENDMENT INTENDED TO BE PROPOSED BY MR. HOEVEN

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14 At the end of section 2609, add the following:

15 (c) Prohibition on Excessive Penalties.—Section 1221 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16
16 U.S.C. 3821) is amended by adding at the end the following:

17 “(f) Prohibition on Excessive Penalties.—The maximum penalty assessed against a person
18 determined to have committed a violation under subsection (a) or ineligible under subsection (c)
19 shall be an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying—

20 “(1) the number of acres of the converted

21 “(2) the average land rent for the applicable county for each relevant crop year, as
22 determined by the National Agricultural Statistics Service; and

23 “(3) the number of crop years of determined noncompliance, not to exceed 3 crop years.”.

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