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H. R. 5335

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand certain exceptions to the private activity bond rules for first-time farmers, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 25, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa (for himself, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mrs. NOEM, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. EMMER of Minnesota, Mr. BLUM, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mr. SMITH of Nebraska) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Facilitating Farmers’
5 Access to Resources and Machinery Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS TO THE PRI-**
2 **VATE ACTIVITY BOND RULES FOR FIRST-**
3 **TIME FARMERS.**

4 (a) INCREASE IN DOLLAR LIMITATION.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 147(c)(2)(A) of the
6 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by strik-
7 ing “\$450,000” and inserting “\$520,000”.

8 (2) REPEAL OF SEPARATE LOWER DOLLAR LIM-
9 ITATION ON USED FARM EQUIPMENT.—Section
10 147(c)(2) of such Code is amended by striking sub-
11 paragraph (F) and by redesignating subparagraphs
12 (G) and (H) as subparagraphs (F) and (G), respec-
13 tively.

14 (3) QUALIFIED SMALL ISSUE BOND LIMITATION
15 CONFORMED TO INCREASED DOLLAR LIMITATION.—
16 Section 144(a)(11)(A) of such Code is amended by
17 striking “\$250,000” and inserting “\$520,000”.

18 (4) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 147(c)(2)(G) of
20 such Code, as redesignated by paragraph (2), is
21 amended—

22 (i) by striking “after 2008, the dollar
23 amount in subparagraph (A) shall be in-
24 creased” and inserting “after 2016, the
25 dollar amounts in subparagraph (A) and

1 section 144(a)(11)(A) shall each be in-
2 creased”, and

3 (ii) by striking “2007” in clause (ii)
4 and inserting “2015”.

5 (B) CROSS-REFERENCE.—Section
6 144(a)(11) of such Code is amended by adding
7 at the end the following new subparagraph:

8 “(D) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—For infla-
9 tion adjustment of dollar amount contained in
10 subparagraph (A), see section 147(c)(2)(G).”.

11 (b) SUBSTANTIAL FARMLAND DETERMINED ON
12 BASIS OF AVERAGE RATHER THAN MEDIAN FARM
13 SIZE.—Section 147(c)(2)(E) of such Code is amended by
14 striking “median” and inserting “average”.

15 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 this section shall apply to bonds issued after the date of
17 the enactment of this Act.

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