

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5451

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to exempt certain recipients of Department of Agriculture conservation assistance from certain reporting requirements, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 10, 2016

Ms. KUSTER (for herself and Mr. CRAWFORD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Improving Access to
5 Farm Conservation Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN RECIPIENTS OF DEPART-**
2 **MENT OF AGRICULTURE CONSERVATION AS-**
3 **SISTANCE FROM CERTAIN REPORTING RE-**
4 **QUIREMENTS.**

5 Section 1244 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16
6 U.S.C. 3844) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing new subsection:

8 “(m) EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN REPORTING RE-
9 QUIREMENTS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the Fed-
11 eral Funding Accountability and Transparency Act
12 of 2006 (Public Law 109–282; 31 U.S.C. 6101
13 note), the requirements of parts 25 and 170 of title
14 2, Code of Federal Regulations, and any successor
15 regulations, shall not apply with respect to assist-
16 ance received by an exempted producer from the
17 Secretary acting through the Natural Resources
18 Conservation Service.

19 “(2) EXEMPTED PRODUCER DEFINED.—In this
20 subsection, the term ‘exempted producer’ means—

21 “(A) a person or entity that receives in a
22 fiscal year \$450,000 or less under this title; or

23 “(B) an Indian tribe.”

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