

118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6186

To amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to direct the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation to conduct research and development on frost or cold weather insurance, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

Mr. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida (for himself, Mr. SOTO, Mr. MILLS, and Mr. STEUBE) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Temperature Endorse-
5 ment for Multi-Peril Policies Act” or the “TEMP Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ON FROST OR COLD**
2 **WEATHER INSURANCE.**

3 Section 522(c) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7
4 U.S.C. 1522(c)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(20) FROST OR COLD WEATHER INSUR-
7 ANCE.—

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall
9 carry out research and development, or offer to
10 enter into 1 or more contracts with 1 or more
11 qualified persons to carry out research and de-
12 velopment, regarding an index-based policy to
13 insure crops (including tomatoes, peppers, sug-
14 arcane, strawberries, melons, citrus, peaches,
15 blueberries, and any other crop) on a nation-
16 ally-available basis against losses due to a frost
17 or cold weather event.

18 “(B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—
19 Research and development under subparagraph
20 (A) shall—

21 “(i) evaluate the effectiveness of risk
22 management tools, such as the use of an
23 index, with respect to low frequency and
24 catastrophic loss weather events; and

25 “(ii) result in a policy that provides
26 protection for at least 1 of the following:

1 “(I) Production loss.

2 “(II) Revenue loss.

3 “(C) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year
4 after the date of enactment of this paragraph,
5 the Corporation shall submit to the Committee
6 on Agriculture of the House of Representatives
7 and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition,
8 and Forestry of the Senate a report that de-
9 scribes—

10 “(i) the results of the research and
11 development carried out under this para-
12 graph; and

13 “(ii) any recommendations with re-
14 spect to those results.”.

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