

Subject Dairy Assistance, Investment, Relief Initiative (DAIRI)

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Summary

This bill broadens eligibility for grants under the DAIRI appropriation. This bill has an immediate effective date.

The DAIRI program provides grants to dairy farms that enroll in the USDA Farm Service Agency's Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC) Program based on the amount of milk produced in 2022. This bill updates the appropriation to allow new dairy farms to be eligible for DAIRI grants based on the farm's production history established in the farm's DMC enrollment.