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H. R. 3656

To amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to waive the matching funds requirement under the specialty crop research initiative, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 29, 2025

Ms. SCHRIER (for herself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. TONKO, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. RILEY of New York, and Mr. BERGMAN) 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. MATCHING FUNDS WAIVER UNDER SPECIALTY**
2 **CROP RESEARCH INITIATIVE.**

3 Section 412(g)(3) of the Agricultural Research, Ex-
4 tension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C.
5 7632(g)(3)) is amended—

6 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “An enti-
7 ty” and inserting “Subject to subparagraph (C), an
8 entity”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(C) **WAIVER.**—With respect to a grant
11 awarded under this section on or after the date
12 of enactment of this subparagraph, the Sec-
13 retary may waive the matching funds require-
14 ment under subparagraph (A).”.

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