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To reauthorize the United States Grain Standards Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself and Ms. CRAIG) 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 “United States Grain
5 Standards Reauthorization Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.**

7 Section 2(b) of the United States Grain Standards
8 Act (7 U.S.C. 74(b)) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the
10 end;

1 (2) in paragraph (3)(F), by striking the period
2 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(4) that the Secretary shall prioritize the
5 adoption of improved grain grading technology to
6 provide for efficient, accurate, and consistent grad-
7 ing of grain.”.

8 **SEC. 3. OFFICIAL INSPECTION AUTHORITY AND FUNDING.**

9 Section 7 of the United States Grain Standards Act
10 (7 U.S.C. 79) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (e), by adding at the end the
12 following:

13 “(5) The Secretary may provide that domestic non-
14 export grain loaded or unloaded into or out of a rail car,
15 barge, truck, or other container, at an export port loca-
16 tion, shall be inspected in the manner provided in this sub-
17 section or subsection (f), as the Secretary determines will
18 best meet the objectives of this Act.”;

19 (2) in subsection (g)(2), by striking “fund cre-
20 ated” and inserting “trust fund created”; and

21 (3) in subsection (j)—

22 (A) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “fund
23 which” and inserting “trust fund which”;

24 (B) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) by striking “fund created” and in-
2 serting “trust fund created”; and

3 (ii) by striking “credited to the fund”
4 and inserting “credited to the trust fund
5 account”; and

6 (C) in paragraph (5), by striking “2025”
7 and inserting “2030”.

8 **SEC. 4. WEIGHING AUTHORITY.**

9 Section 7A of the United States Grain Standards Act
10 (7 U.S.C. 79a) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “State
12 agency” and inserting “State agency or official
13 agency”; and

14 (2) in subsection (l)—

15 (A) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “fund
16 created” and inserting “trust fund created”;

17 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “fund
18 created” and inserting “trust fund created”;

19 and

20 (C) in paragraph (4), by striking “2025”
21 and inserting “2030”.

22 **SEC. 5. TESTING OF EQUIPMENT.**

23 Section 7B(a) of the United States Grain Standards
24 Act (7 U.S.C. 79b(a)) is amended by striking “fund cre-
25 ated” and inserting “trust fund created”.

1 **SEC. 6. LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPER-**
2 **VISORY COSTS.**

3 Section 7D of the United States Grain Standards Act
4 (7 U.S.C. 79d) is amended—

5 (1) by striking “activities)” and inserting “ac-
6 tivities, equipment, and development of technology”;
7 and

8 (2) by striking “2025” and inserting “2030”.

9 **SEC. 7. GENERAL AUTHORITIES.**

10 Section 16 of the United States Grain Standards Act
11 (7 U.S.C. 87e) is amended—

12 (1) in subsection (e), by striking “Department
13 of Agriculture” and inserting “Department of Agri-
14 culture and official agencies”; and

15 (2) in subsection (j), by striking “fund created”
16 and inserting “trust fund created”.

17 **SEC. 8. REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS.**

18 Section 17A(e) of the United States Grain Standards
19 Act (7 U.S.C. 87f–1(e)) is amended by striking “fund de-
20 scribed” and inserting “trust fund described”.

21 **SEC. 9. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

22 Section 17B(e) of the United States Grain Standards
23 Act (7 U.S.C. 87f–2(e)) is amended—

24 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
25 striking “The Secretary may, to the extent deter-

1 mined appropriate by the Secretary” and inserting
2 “On December 1 of each year, the Secretary shall”;

3 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at the
4 end;

5 (3) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
6 graph (3); and

7 (4) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(2) an analysis of any and all existing defi-
10 ciencies in the technology evaluation process and
11 recommendations to advance the efficiency, accu-
12 racy, and consistency of grain grading and minimize
13 costs imposed on the Federal Government and the
14 grain export industry; and”.

15 **SEC. 10. FUNDING.**

16 Section 19 of the United States Grain Standards Act
17 (7 U.S.C. 87h) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “2021 through
19 2025” and inserting “2026 through 2030”; and

20 (2) in subsection (b)(1)(A), by striking “other
21 services” and inserting “other services (excluding
22 grading services performed under the Agricultural
23 Marketing Act of 1946)”.

1 **SEC. 11. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

2 Section 21 of the United States Grain Standards Act
3 (7 U.S.C. 87j) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
5 following: “Notwithstanding the previous sentence, if
6 the Secretary does not make a new appointment
7 upon the completion of a term of an existing mem-
8 ber (including such existing member’s second succes-
9 sive term), then such existing member shall continue
10 to serve until such appointment is made.”; and

11 (2) in subsection (e), by striking “2025” and
12 inserting “2030”.

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