117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 7498

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

April 11, 2022

Mr. Steube (for himself and Mr. Soto) 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" 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
0	enter into 1 or more contracts with 1 or more
1	qualified persons to carry out research and de-
2	velopment, regarding an index-based policy to
3	insure crops (including tomatoes, peppers, sug-
4	arcane, strawberries, melons, citrus, peaches,
5	blueberries, and any other crop) on a nation-
6	ally-available basis against losses due to a frost
7	or cold weather event.
8	"(B) Research and Development.—
9	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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