#### 117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2866

To prioritize funding for an expanded and sustained national investment in agriculture research.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 28, 2021

Mrs. Bustos (for herself, Mr. Panetta, and Ms. Schrier) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

# 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 "America Grows Act
- 5 of 2021".
- 6 SEC. 2. FUNDING.
- 7 (a) In General.—There is appropriated, out of any
- 8 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to each
- 9 funding recipient described in subsection (b) for the pro-

- 1 grams, projects, and activities of such funding recipient,
- 2 the following amounts:

- (1) For fiscal year 2022, the amount equal to
  105 percent of the amount of new budget authority
  made available in appropriation Acts for that funding recipient for fiscal year 2021, increased by the
  percentage increase (if any), during fiscal year 2021,
  in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
  - (2) For each of fiscal years 2023 through 2031, the amount equal to 105 percent of the amount appropriated to that funding recipient under this subsection for the previous fiscal year, increased by the percentage increase (if any), during such previous fiscal year, in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
  - (3) For fiscal year 2032, and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount appropriated under this paragraph for the previous fiscal year, increased by the percentage increase (if any), during such previous fiscal year, in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

- 1 (b) Funding Recipients Described.—The fund-
- 2 ing recipients described in this subsection are—
- 3 (1) the Agricultural Research Service;
- 4 (2) the Economic Research Service;
- 5 (3) the National Agricultural Statistics Service;
- 6 and
- 7 (4) the National Institute of Food and Agri-
- 8 culture.
- 9 (c) Availability.—Each amount appropriated
- 10 under subsection (a) shall remain available for obligation
- 11 through the last day of the fiscal year for which such
- 12 amount is appropriated.
- 13 SEC. 3. EXEMPTION FROM SEQUESTRATION.
- 14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 255(g)(1)(A) of the Bal-
- 15 anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985
- 16 (2 U.S.C. 905(g)(1)(A)) is amended by inserting after
- 17 "Advances to the Unemployment Trust Fund and Other
- 18 Funds (16–0327–0–1–600)." the following: "Appropria-
- 19 tions made available under section 2(a) of the America
- 20 Grows Act of 2021.".
- 21 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by sub-
- 22 section (a) shall apply to any sequestration order issued
- 23 under the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Con-
- 24 trol Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900 et seq.) on or after the
- 25 date of enactment of this Act.

### 1 SEC. 4. BUDGETARY EFFECTS.

- 2 (a) STATUTORY PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The budg-
- 3 etary effects of this Act shall not be entered on either
- 4 PAYGO scorecard maintained pursuant to section 4(d) of
- 5 the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C.
- 6 933(d)).
- 7 (b) SENATE PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The budgetary
- 8 effects of this Act shall not be entered on any PAYGO
- 9 scorecard maintained for purposes of section 4106 of H.
- $10\,$  Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress).

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