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To amend the Agricultural Act of 1949 to modify the authority of wheat and feed grain producers to conduct haying and grazing on reduced acreage, acreage devoted to a conservation use, or acreage diverted from production under a land diversion program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 6, 1993

Mr. LEACH 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. AUTHORITY FOR HAYING AND GRAZING DUR-**
2 **ING FIVE-MONTH SET-ASIDE PERIOD UPON**
3 **PAYMENT OF FEE.**

4 (a) FEED GRAINS.—Section 105B(e)(4)(C) of the
5 Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1444f(e)(4)(C)) is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 “(C) HAYING AND GRAZING.—

8 “(i) FIVE MONTH EXCLUSION.—The
9 Secretary shall permit haying and grazing
10 of reduced acreage, acreage devoted to a
11 conservation use under subsection
12 (c)(1)(E), and acreage diverted from pro-
13 duction under a land diversion program es-
14 tablished under this section except during
15 any consecutive 5-month period that is es-
16 tablished by the State committee estab-
17 lished under section 8(b) of the Soil Con-
18 servation and Domestic Allotment Act (16
19 U.S.C. 590h(b)) for the State in which
20 such acreage is located. The State commit-
21 tee for a State shall establish the period in
22 consultation with wildlife agencies in that
23 State and shall pick a period occurring be-
24 tween April 1 and October 31 of a year.

25 “(ii) EXCEPTION TO EXCLUSION.—
26 Notwithstanding clause (i), the Secretary

1 may permit a producer to conduct haying
2 and grazing of such acreage during the 5-
3 month period established for a State under
4 such clause if the producer pays a haying
5 and grazing fee to the Secretary equal to
6 the grazing fee in effect for comparable
7 Federal land, as established by the Bureau
8 of Land Management. The Secretary may
9 not exclude irrigated or irrigable acreage
10 not planted in alfalfa when exercising the
11 authority under this clause.”.

12 (b) WHEAT.—Section 107B(e)(4)(C) of the Agricul-
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14 ed to read as follows:

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