

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 302

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make emergency loans under the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to poultry farmers whose energy costs have escalated sharply.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 30, 2001

Mr. SHOWS 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. EMERGENCY LOANS FOR POULTRY FARMERS**

4 **WHOSE ENERGY COSTS HAVE ESCALATED**

5 **SHARPLY.**

6 Section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
7 Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1961(a)) is amended—

1 (1) in the 1st sentence, by inserting “, or that
2 the applicants’ poultry farming operations have been
3 substantially affected by an increase in energy prices
4 of at least 25 percent in any 12-month period” be-
5 fore “: *Provided,*”;

6 (2) in the 2nd sentence, by inserting “, or that
7 conduct poultry farming operations in any county
8 contiguous to a county where the Secretary has
9 found that poultry farming operations have been
10 substantially affected by an increase in energy prices
11 of at least 25 percent in any 12-month period” be-
12 fore the period; and

13 (3) in the 3rd sentence—

14 (A) by inserting “or (in the case of a poul-
15 try farming operation), by an increase in energy
16 prices,” after “a natural disaster”; and

17 (B) by inserting “, or that poultry farming
18 operations have been substantially affected by
19 such increase in energy prices,” after “by such
20 natural disaster”.

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