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H. R. 3260

To amend the Plant Protection Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a cost-share program with the States for the control of noxious weeds.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 8, 2001

Mr. MORAN of Kansas 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 “Noxious Weed Control
5 Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE COST-SHARE PRO-**
2 **GRAM FOR NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL.**

3 The Plant Protection Act is amended by inserting
4 after section 418 (7 U.S.C. 7718) the following new sec-
5 tion:

6 **“SEC. 719. COST-SHARE PROGRAM FOR NOXIOUS WEED**
7 **CONTROL.**

8 “(a) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary may
9 carry out a grant program to provide financial assistance
10 to States to support State efforts to control noxious weeds.

11 “(b) NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL PLAN.—

12 “(1) PLAN REQUIRED.—To be eligible for a
13 grant under the program, a State shall submit to
14 the Secretary a plan describing the purposes for
15 which the grant funds would be used, the types and
16 extent of the noxious weeds to be subject to control,
17 and the control methods proposed to be used. The
18 noxious weed control plan shall be submitted at such
19 time, and contain such other information, as the
20 Secretary may require.

21 “(2) PREPARATION; CONSULTATION.—To be ac-
22 cepted by the Secretary, a State shall prepare its
23 noxious weed control plan using the department of
24 agriculture of the State. The plan shall be prepared
25 in consultation with the Secretary and agricultural

1 producers in the State whose lands are threatened
2 by noxious weeds.

3 “(c) SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS.—The Secretary
4 shall select grant recipients on the basis of the following:

5 “(1) The noxious weed control plan submitted
6 under subsection (b).

7 “(2) The threat posed by noxious weeds in the
8 State.

9 “(3) The demonstrated ability of the State to
10 carry out the plan.

11 “(4) The extent to which the economy of the
12 State is dependent on agriculture and natural re-
13 sources.

14 “(d) MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.—As a condi-
15 tion on the receipt of a grant under the program, the State
16 shall agree to provide non-Federal funds or in-kind sup-
17 port to match the amount of the grant funds. In-kind sup-
18 port may be provided by a State only with the consent
19 of the Secretary.

20 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
21 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
22 \$25,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2002 through
23 2011.”.

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