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H. R. 2667

To provide for the establishment of a disabled farmers' market nutrition pilot program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. WOOLSEY 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 “Disabled Farmers’
5 Market Nutrition Pilot Program of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. FARMERS’ MARKET NUTRITION PILOT PROGRAM**
7 **FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS.**

8 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that low-income dis-
9 abled individuals suffer from similar forms of malnutrition
10 as low-income seniors, and that the disabled population

1 would reap nutritional benefits from such a farmers' mar-
2 ket voucher program where they are able to purchase
3 fresh, healthy food from local farmers.

4 (b) PILOT PROGRAM ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) The
5 Secretary of Agriculture shall carry out a pilot program
6 with respect to the States specified in subsection (d) under
7 which the Secretary creates a farmers' market nutrition
8 program for disabled individuals.

9 (2) Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corpora-
10 tion, the Secretary of Agriculture shall use \$1,000,000 for
11 fiscal year 2008 to carry out this section, and such sums
12 as necessary for fiscal years 2009 through 2013.

13 (c) PROGRAM PURPOSES.—The purposes of the farm-
14 ers' market nutrition pilot program are—

15 (1) to provide resources in the form of fresh,
16 nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegeta-
17 bles, and herbs from farmers' markets, roadside
18 stands, and community supported agriculture pro-
19 grams to low-income disabled individuals;

20 (2) to increase the domestic consumption of ag-
21 ricultural commodities by expanding or aiding in the
22 expansion of domestic farmers' markets, roadside
23 stands, and community supported agriculture pro-
24 grams; and

1 (3) to develop or aid in the development of new
2 and additional farmers’ markets, roadside stands,
3 and community supported agriculture programs.

4 (d) STATES.—The Secretary shall use funds referred
5 to in subsection (b)(2) for pilot programs on the West
6 Coast in California, in the North East, in the South East,
7 and in the Mid-West.

8 (e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may issue such
9 regulations as the Secretary considers necessary to carry
10 out the farmers’ market nutrition program.

11 (f) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the
12 term “disabled individual” means an individual who has
13 a disability as defined in section 3 of the Americans with
14 Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12102).

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