

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. SMITH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 “Future Farmers and
5 Ranchers of Tomorrow Act of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY FOR FARM LOANS AS A QUALIFIED BE-**
2 **GINNING FARMER OR RANCHER.**

3 Section 343(a)(11) of the Consolidated Farm and
4 Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1991(a)(11)) is amend-
5 ed—

- 6 (1) by striking subparagraph (C); and
7 (2) by redesignating subparagraphs (D)
8 through (G) as subparagraphs (C) through (F), re-
9 spectively.