

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. BLUMENAUER OF OREGON

Page 539, strike lines 8 through 22 and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 9002. EXPANDING ASSISTANCE FOR FARMERS MAR-**
2 **KETS AND LOCAL FOOD SYSTEMS.**

3 (a) SUPPORT FOR REGION-WIDE ASSESSMENT AND
4 COLLABORATIVE PLANNING PROJECTS.—Section 6(b) of
5 the Farmer-to-Consumer Direct Marketing Act of 1976
6 (7 U.S.C. 3005(b)) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph
8 (1);

9 (2) by striking the period at the end of para-
10 graph (2) and inserting “; and”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following new
12 paragraph:

13 “(3) full value chain assessments at the local
14 and regional levels, as well as projects by entities de-
15 scribed in subsection (c) that maximize efficient use
16 of existing food related infrastructure, identify gaps
17 in that infrastructure, and address such gaps.”.

18 (b) MANDATORY FUNDING.—Paragraph (1) of sec-
19 tion 6(g) of the Farmer-to-Consumer Direct Marketing

1 Act of 1976 (7 U.S.C. 3005(g)) is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 “(1) MANDATORY FUNDING.—Of the funds of
4 the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary
5 shall use to carry out this section \$80,000,000 for
6 each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.”.

7 (c) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—Paragraph (4) of
8 section 6(g) of the Farmer-to-Consumer Direct Marketing
9 Act of 1976 (7 U.S.C. 3005(g)) is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 “(4) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—Of the funds
12 made available to carry out this section for a fiscal
13 year after fiscal year 2018—

14 “(A) at least 40 percent of the funds shall
15 be used for the purposes described in paragraph
16 (1) of subsection (b);

17 “(B) at least 40 percent of the funds shall
18 be used for the purposes described in paragraph
19 (2) of such subsection; and

20 “(C) not more than 20 percent of the
21 funds may be used for the purposes described
22 in paragraph (3) of such subsection.”.

