

**AMENDMENT TO DIVISION A OF
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OFFERED BY MR. FULCHER OF IDAHO**

At the end of title III of division A, add the following:

1 SEC. 303. FORESTRY EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall
3 establish a competitive grant program to make grants to
4 eligible institutions to carry out forestry education and
5 workforce development programs to prepare students for
6 careers in forestry.
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8 (b) PROPOSAL.—To be eligible to receive a grant
9 under this section, an eligible institution shall submit to
10 the Secretary of Agriculture a proposal at such time, in
11 such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary
12 may require.

13 (c) EQUITABLE AWARDS.—For each fiscal year for
14 which grants are awarded under this section, the amount
15 of grant funds awarded to eligible institutions described
16 in paragraph (1) of subsection (f) shall be equal to the
17 amount of grant funds awarded to eligible institutions described
18 in paragraphs (2) and (3) of such subsection.

1 (d) USE OF GRANT FUNDS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Grants made under this sec-
3 tion shall be used to—

4 (A) award scholarships to students enrolled
5 in the eligible institution and pursuing degrees
6 in forestry, including students historically
7 underrepresented in the field of forestry;

8 (B) expand, enhance, or improve forestry
9 educational capacities of the eligible institution,
10 including libraries, curriculum, faculty, and sci-
11 entific instrumentation;

12 (C) recruit and retain—

13 (i) secondary school or undergraduate
14 students to pursue certifications in forestry
15 or acquire training in technical forestry
16 skills, including students historically
17 underrepresented in the field of forestry; or

18 (ii) undergraduate and graduate stu-
19 dents to pursue degrees in forestry, includ-
20 ing students historically underrepresented
21 in the field of forestry;

22 (D) design and develop resources or pro-
23 grams that prepare students enrolled in the eli-
24 gible institution for careers in forestry, includ-
25 ing internship and apprenticeship programs;

1 (E) provide hands-on training and research
2 opportunities for such students; or

3 (F) carry out any other activity the Sec-
4 retary of Agriculture determines appropriate.

5 (2) CLARIFICATION OF FORESTRY EDU-
6 CATION.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the terms
7 “degrees in forestry”, “certifications in forestry”,
8 and “training in technical forestry skills” include de-
9 grees, certifications, and training in forestry, forest
10 sciences, natural resources management, or other re-
11 lated educational disciplines.

12 (e) PAYMENT OF NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—As a con-
13 dition of receiving a grant under this section, the Sec-
14 retary of Agriculture shall require the recipient of the
15 grant to provide funds or in-kind support from non-Fed-
16 eral sources in an amount that is specified by the Sec-
17 retary and based on assessed institutional needs.

18 (f) ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION DEFINED.—In this sec-
19 tion, the term “eligible institution” means—

20 (1) a land grant college or university, including
21 an institution eligible to receive funding under—

22 (A) the Act of July 2, 1862;

23 (B) the Act of August 30, 1890, including
24 Tuskegee University;

1 (C) Public Law 87–788 (commonly known
2 as the “McIntire-Stennis Act of 1962”); or

3 (D) the Equity in Educational Land-Grant
4 Status Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 301 note);

5 (2) a community college or area career and
6 technical education school (as defined in section 3 of
7 the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education
8 Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302)); or

9 (3) an institution of higher education (as de-
10 fined in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of
11 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)).

12 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
13 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary
14 \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2030
15 to carry out this section.

16 **SEC. 304. CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CENTERS REFOREST-**
17 **ATION ACTIVITIES.**

18 Section 147(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Op-
19 portunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3197(d)) is amended by adding
20 at the end the following:

21 “(4) REFORESTATION ACTIVITIES.—Enrollees
22 in Civilian Conservation Centers may provide assist-
23 ance in carrying out reforestation activities in pri-

1 ority areas, as determined by the Secretary of Agri-
2 culture.”.

