

1 (2) NEW PRODUCERS.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a new
3 producer, the Secretary shall calculate the
4 amount of the payment under this section using
5 the new producer's estimate of their sales of
6 covered specialty crops in calendar year 2026.

7 (B) REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.—A new
8 producer shall provide to the Secretary as evi-
9 dence to support the estimate referred to in
10 paragraph (1)—

11 (i) a legally binding contract or agree-
12 ment under which the producer has agreed
13 to sell a covered specialty crop during cal-
14 endar year 2026; or

15 (ii) evidence that, at the time of appli-
16 cation, a covered specialty crop has been
17 planted and is expected to be harvested
18 and sold in calendar year 2026.

19 (3) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The maximum
20 amount of the payment an eligible producer may re-
21 ceive under this section shall not exceed \$900,000.
22 Such maximum amount may be reduced if the
23 amount of funds made available to carry out this
24 section for a fiscal year is insufficient (as deter-

1 mined by the Secretary) to make all payments for
2 which applications are submitted under this section.

3 (4) REDUCTION OF TOTAL PAYMENT.—The
4 amount of the payment an eligible producer may re-
5 ceive under this section with respect to a covered
6 specialty crop shall be reduced by the amount of any
7 payment issued by the Secretary to such producer
8 for such covered specialty crop (or acres on the farm
9 planted to such crop) under the Farmer Bridge As-
10 sistance Program of the Department of Agriculture
11 (as described in the press release of the Department
12 of Agriculture on December 8, 2025 (Release No.
13 0239.25)).

14 (5) PROHIBITION ON DUPLICATE PAYMENTS.—
15 An eligible producer may not receive financial assist-
16 ance under this section and under section 6 with re-
17 spect to the same losses.

18 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) COVERED SPECIALTY CROP.— The term
20 “covered specialty crop” means—

21 (A) a specialty crop;

22 (B) dry edible beans and peas, mushrooms,
23 and vegetable seed;

24 (C) Christmas trees;

1 (D) any culinary and medicinal herb or
2 spice;

3 (E) honey, hops, maple sap, tea, coffee,
4 turfgrass, and grass seed; and

5 (F) such other crop as determined appro-
6 priate by the Secretary.

7 (2) ELIGIBLE PRODUCER.—The term “eligible
8 producer” means a producer of covered specialty
9 crops (including a new producer) that—

10 (A)(i) is in the business of producing cov-
11 ered specialty crops as of the date on which the
12 producer seeks payment under this section; and

13 (ii) is entitled to an ownership share and
14 shares in the risk of producing a covered spe-
15 cialty crop that will be sold in the calendar year
16 for which payment is sought;

17 (B) is—

18 (i) a citizen of the United States or
19 lawful alien (as defined in section 1400.3
20 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations (or
21 successor regulations));

22 (ii) a partnership, corporation, limited
23 liability company, or other organizational
24 structure organized under State law;

1 (iii) an Indian Tribe or Tribal Organi-
2 zation (as those terms are defined in sec-
3 tion 4 of the Indian Self-Determination
4 and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C.
5 5304)); or

6 (iv) a foreign person that meets the
7 requirements specified in section 1400.401
8 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations (or
9 successor regulations); and

10 (C) has an average adjusted gross income
11 that—

12 (i) is less than \$900,000 for the pre-
13 ceding three tax years; or

14 (ii) equals or exceeds \$900,000 if the
15 producers's average adjusted gross farm
16 income is at least 75 percent of the pro-
17 ducer's average adjusted gross income.

18 (3) NEW PRODUCER.—The term “new pro-
19 ducer” means a producer of covered specialty crops
20 who, at the time of application for payment under
21 this section—

22 (A) began producing specialty crops in ei-
23 ther of the preceding two crop years but did not
24 have sales due to the immaturity of the crop;

1 (B) began producing specialty crops in the
2 preceding crop year but did not have a complete
3 year of sales; or

4 (C) is beginning to grow specialty crops in
5 the crop year with respect to which the applica-
6 tion is submitted.

7 (4) SPECIALTY CROP.—The term “specialty
8 crop” has the meaning given such term in section 3
9 of the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004
10 (7 U.S.C. 1621 note; Public Law 108–465).

11 (e) FUNDING.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is appropriated to the
13 Secretary \$10,000,000,000 to carry out this section.

14 (2) REDUCTION BASED ON OTHER FUNDING.—
15 In providing payments under this section, the Sec-
16 retary shall use an amount equal to the amounts ap-
17 propriated under paragraph (1) reduced by any
18 amount obligated by the Secretary for payments to
19 eligible producers of specialty crops under the Farm-
20 er Bridge Assistance Program of the Department of
21 Agriculture (as described in the press release of the
22 Department of Agriculture on December 8, 2025
23 (Release No. 0239.25)).

24 (3) RESCISSION.—Effective on the date that is
25 the end of the 2-year period beginning on the date

1 of enactment of this Act, there is rescinded from the
2 unobligated balance of the amount appropriated
3 under paragraph (1) an amount equal to the amount
4 under paragraph (1) reduced by the amount obli-
5 gated by the Secretary for payments to eligible pro-
6 ducers of specialty crops under the Farmer Bridge
7 Assistance Program of the Department of Agri-
8 culture (as described in the press release of the De-
9 partment of Agriculture on December 8, 2025 (Re-
10 lease No. 0239.25)) for such period.

