

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**

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**OFFERED BY MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of title I add the following:

1 **SEC. 1 \_\_\_\_ . EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR SPECIALTY CROP**

2 **PRODUCERS AND PROCESSORS.**

3 (a) **DIRECT PAYMENTS TO PRODUCERS.**—Of the  
4 funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary  
5 shall use \$10,000,000 to provide direct payments to pro-  
6 ducers of specialty crops to address economic losses, in-  
7 creased input costs, and market disruptions.

8 (b) **DIRECT PAYMENTS TO PROCESSORS.**—Of the  
9 funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary  
10 shall use \$2,000,000 to provide direct payments to spe-  
11 cialty crop processors to address economic losses, supply  
12 chain disruptions, facility closures, and market disrup-  
13 tions.

14 (c) **ADMINISTRATION.**—In carrying out this section,  
15 the Secretary shall—

16 (1) establish criteria and payment methodolo-  
17 gies in a manner that ensures timely and equitable  
18 distribution of funds; and

1           (2) use, to the maximum extent practicable, ex-  
2           isting programs and administrative mechanisms of  
3           the Department of Agriculture to expedite payments.

