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OFFERED BY MR. YOHO OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 10. SALE OF SURPLUS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT TO ELIGIBLE FARMERS.

Section 2576a of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(g) SALE OF EQUIPMENT TO FARMERS.—(1) During the three-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, may transfer to eligible farmers equipment of the Department of Defense that is—

“(A) appropriate for use by farmers; and

“(B) excess to the needs of the Department of Defense.

“(2) A farmer is eligible to purchase equipment under this subsection if the farmer is—
“(A) a veteran and a new and beginning farmer, as determined by the Secretary; and

“(B) submits to the Secretary an application containing such information and assurances as the Secretary may require.

“(3) Equipment made available for transfer to farmers under this subsection shall be made available to such farmers before such equipment is made available for public sale.

“(4) Not later than 60 days after the termination of the authority under this subsection, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on this subsection that includes the recommendations of the Secretary regarding the extension or expansion of the program.”.