112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3499

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 18, 2011

Mr. Price of North Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1	SECTION 1. COMPENSATION FOR ECONOMIC LOSSES DUE
2	TO LOSS OF POULTRY PRODUCTION CON-
3	TRACTS WITH BANKRUPT POULTRY PROC-
4	ESSING COMPANY.
5	Using amounts in the fund established under section
6	32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), and
7	the authority provided by paragraph (3) of the second sen-
8	tence of such section, the Secretary of Agriculture, acting
9	through the Farm Service Agency, shall provide com-
10	pensation to poultry producers whose poultry production
11	contracts were terminated or not renewed during the pe-
12	riod beginning on December 1, 2010, and ending on the
13	date of the enactment of this Act, because of the closure
14	of poultry processing plants and other cost cutting meas-
15	ures undertaken by a poultry processing company in bank-
16	ruptcy protection. A poultry producer seeking compensa-
17	tion under this section shall be required to document to
18	the satisfaction of the Secretary the termination or non-
19	renewal of a production contract and the subsequent eco-
20	nomic losses incurred by the producer as a result of the
21	termination or non-renewal of the contract by the poultry
22	processing company.