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2D SESSION

H. R. 8264

To amend chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, to protect majority federally owned counties from loss of taxable acreage, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

Mr. GOSAR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. NO NET LOSS OF TAXABLE ACREAGE.**

4 (a) AMENDMENT.—Chapter 2003 of title 54, United
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 **“§ 200311. No net loss of taxable acreage.**

8 “Amounts from the Fund may not be used by the
9 Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture
10 to acquire private land within a county in which 50 per-

1 cent or more of the land is owned by the Federal Govern-
2 ment, unless the Secretary acquiring the private land dis-
3 poses of an equal amount of federally owned land within
4 that county during the same fiscal year to ensure no net
5 loss of private, taxable acreage in that county.”.

6 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
7 for chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, is
8 amended by adding after the item relating to section
9 200310 the following new item:

“Sec. 200311. No net loss of taxable acreage.”.

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