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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To provide for an agricultural trade enhancement study.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—112th Cong., 2d Sess.

(no.) _____

To reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by

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1 At the appropriate place in title III, insert the fol-

2 lowing:

3 **SEC. 3** . **AGRICULTURAL TRADE ENHANCEMENT STUDY.**

4 (a) **DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURE COMMITTEES AND**

5 **SUBCOMMITTEES.**—In this section, the term “agriculture

6 committees and subcommittees” means—

7 (1) the Committee on Agriculture of the House

8 of Representatives;

9 (2) the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition,

10 and Forestry of the Senate; and

1 (3) the subcommittees on agriculture, rural de-
2 velopment, food and drug administration, and re-
3 lated agencies of the Committees on Appropriations
4 of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

5 (b) DEVELOPMENT.—The Secretary, in consultation
6 with the agriculture committees and subcommittees, shall
7 develop a study that takes into consideration a reorganiza-
8 tion of international trade functions for imports and ex-
9 ports at the Department of Agriculture.

10 (c) IMPLEMENTATION.—In implementing the study
11 under this section, the Secretary—

12 (1) in recognition of the importance of agricul-
13 tural exports to the farm economy and the economy
14 as a whole, may include a recommendation for the
15 establishment of an Under Secretary for Trade and
16 Foreign Agricultural Affairs;

17 (2) may take into consideration how the Under
18 Secretary described in paragraph (1) would serve as
19 a multiagency coordinator of sanitary and
20 phytosanitary issues and nontariff trade barriers in
21 agriculture with respect to imports and exports of
22 agricultural products; and

23 (3) shall take into consideration all implications
24 of a reorganization described in subsection (b) on

1 domestic programs and operations of the Depart-
2 ment of Agriculture.

3 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
4 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
5 the agriculture committees and subcommittees a report
6 describing the results of the study under this section.