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S. 848

To amend the Agricultural Act of 1949 to modify the authority for haying and grazing on wheat and feed grain reduced acreage, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 29 (legislative day, APRIL 19), 1993

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. DURENBERGER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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. HAYING AND GRAZING.**

4 (a) WHEAT.—Subparagraph (C) of section
5 107B(e)(4) of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C.
6 1445b-3a(e)(4)(C)) is amended to read as follows:

7 “(C) HAYING AND GRAZING.—

8 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Haying and graz-
9 ing of reduced acreage, acreage devoted to

1 a conservation use under subsection
2 (c)(1)(E), and acreage diverted from pro-
3 duction under a land diversion program es-
4 tablished under this section shall be per-
5 mitted—

6 “(I) except during any consecu-
7 tive 5-month period that is established
8 by the State committee established
9 under section 8(b) of the Soil Con-
10 servation and Domestic Allotment Act
11 (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) for a State; or

12 “(II) during the 5-month period
13 referred to in subclause (I) by the
14 Secretary for any producer who elects
15 to pay a fee equal to—

16 “(aa) in the case of grazing,
17 the grazing fee in effect as estab-
18 lished by the Bureau of Land
19 Management; and

20 “(bb) in the case of haying,
21 a haying fee established by the
22 Bureau of Land Management
23 that is comparable to the grazing
24 fee.

1 “(ii) 5-MONTH PERIOD.—The State
 2 committee for a State shall, in consultation
 3 with wildlife agencies of the State, estab-
 4 lish the 5-month period referred to in
 5 clause (i) during the period beginning
 6 April 1, and ending October 31, of a year.

7 “(iii) ALFALFA.—The Secretary may
 8 not exclude irrigated or irrigable acreage
 9 not planted to alfalfa when exercising the
 10 authority of the Secretary under this sub-
 11 paragraph.”.

12 (b) FEED GRAINS.—Subparagraph (C) of section
 13 105B(e)(4) of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C.
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