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## **NASDA commends progress on farm bill development and continues advocating for bipartisanship**

ARLINGTON, Va. – National Association of State Departments of Agriculture CEO Ted McKinney praised U.S. House Agriculture Committee Chairman Glenn “GT” Thompson for releasing the Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024 today in the following statement:

“NASDA applauds Chairman Thompson for beginning the process of creating the next farm bill,” McKinney said. “With the release of the legislative text, NASDA remains committed to advocating for a bipartisan farm bill that will secure a commitment to American agriculture and the critical food and nutritional assistance programs for those who need it most. Signing a farm bill into law is vital to the food and agriculture sector which benefits our economy, accounting for roughly one-fifth of U.S. economic activity and supporting nearly 23 million jobs. We welcome the opportunity to work with the House Agriculture Committee as they begin debating the Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024.”

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