

National Association of State Departments of Agriculture



Subject of Action Item F:

USDA Farm Bill funding and continued support of the Dairy Business Innovation Initiative program

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Corresponding Policy Section & Statement:

1.1.Foreign and Domestic Animal Health Protection and Disease Control

Text of Emerging Issue:

NASDA encourages Congress to retain the Dairy Business Innovation Initiative as a program in the forthcoming Farm Bill, with base funding of \$36 million annually to be distributed among the four existing centers (University of Tennessee, University of Wisconsin, California State University - Fresno, and Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food, and Markets).

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