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AMENDMENT TO H.R. _____
OFFERED BY MS. FUDGE OF OHIO

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . ELIMINATION OF RURAL RESIDENCY REQUIRE-**
2 **MENT FOR OPERATING LOANS TO YOUTH.**

3 Section 311(b)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and
4 Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1941(b)(1)) is amended
5 by striking “who are rural residents”.



Fudge Youth Loan Amendment

Currently, USDA Youth Operating Loans are only available to youth (ages 10-20) who live in rural areas (areas with 50,000 or less residents). This restriction is unfair. FSA (Farm Service Agency) loans are available to all agriculture producers, whether they're in rural, suburban or urban areas. Youth loans should not operate under a different standard. This no cost amendment would lift the residential restriction, and funding has been increased in the FARRM Bill, so there are more dollars that will go further.