

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. MCGOVERN OF
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Page 16, strike lines 5 through 9, and insert the following:

1 (12) PAYMENT ACRES.—The term “payment
2 acres”, with respect to a covered commodity on a
3 farm, means 79 percent of the base acres for the
4 covered commodity, on which direct payments and
5 counter-cyclical payments are made.

At an appropriate place in title IV, insert the following (and make such technical and conforming changes as may be appropriate):

6 **SEC. ____ . INCREASING THE STANDARD DEDUCTION.**

7 Section (5)(e)(1) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7
8 U.S.C. 2014(e)(1)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (A)(ii) by striking “not
10 less than \$134” and all that follows through the pe-
11 riod at the end, and inserting the following: “not
12 less than \$156, \$267, \$220, and \$137, respectively.
13 On October 1, 2008, and each October 1 thereafter,
14 such standard deduction shall be an amount that is

1 equal to the amount from the previous fiscal year
2 adjusted to the nearest lower dollar increment to re-
3 flect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All
4 Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor
5 Statistics, for items other than food, for the 12
6 months ending the preceding June 30.”; and

7 (2) in subparagraph (B)(ii) by striking “not
8 less than \$269.” and inserting the following: “not
9 less than \$313. On October 1, 2008, and each Octo-
10 ber 1 thereafter, such standard deduction shall be
11 an amount that is equal to the amount of the pre-
12 vious fiscal year adjusted to the nearest dollar incre-
13 ment to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index
14 for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau
15 of Labor Statistics, for items other than food, for
16 the 12 months ending the preceding June 30.”.