

## HOUSE BILL 243: Budget Technical Corrections, Sec. 4.4: Agricultural Crop Loss Expansion

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OVERVIEW: Section 4.4 of S.L. 2022-6 expands the Agricultural Crop Loss Program, established within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to Section 5.9B of S.L. 2021-180, to include damages and losses to agricultural commodities in the counties affected by the natural disaster declared by Secretary Thomas J. Vilsack based on damages and losses caused by freezing temperatures and frost from April 2, 2021, to April 21, 2021 (freeze disaster). A person may receive financial assistance for losses of agricultural commodities if the person experienced a verifiable loss of agricultural commodities as a result of the freeze disaster and is located in an eligible county (Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, and Transylvania). Financial assistance is administered based on criteria set out in this section.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.

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