

Economic Development recently released its 2006 Georgia Farm Gate Value Report. Watermelon ranked 16th among all Georgia commodities with a farm gate value of a little over \$111 million from almost 24,000 acres of watermelon. I am also proud to represent Cordele, Georgia, which is known as the, "Watermelon Capital of the World."

Recognizing July as "National Watermelon Month" will provide the watermelon industry with many avenues to not only market their product but also educate the public about the health benefits associated with consuming watermelon through different watermelon related programs and activities. Watermelon enjoys a long history as one of our Nation's favorite foods. As Mark Twain once said, "When one has tasted watermelon he knows what the angels eat." I encourage my colleagues to join me in acknowledging the wisdom of Mark Twain by supporting this resolution.

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TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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At the end of subtitle C of title X, add the following:

SEC. 1031. MINIMUM PERIODS BETWEEN DEPLOYMENT FOR UNITS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES FOR OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM AND OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM.

(a) MINIMUM PERIOD FOR UNITS AND MEMBERS OF THE REGULAR COMPONENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—No unit or member of the Armed Forces specified in paragraph (2) may be deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom or

Operation Enduring Freedom unless the period between the deployment of the unit or member is equal to or longer than the period of such previous deployment.

(2) COVERED UNITS AND MEMBERS.—The units and members of the Armed Forces specified in this paragraph are as follows:

(A) Units and members of the regular Army.

(B) Units and members of the regular Marine Corps.

(C) Units and members of the regular Navy.

(D) Units and members of the regular Air Force.

(E) Units and members of the regular Coast Guard.

(b) MINIMUM PERIOD FOR UNITS AND MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—No unit or member of the Armed Forces specified in paragraph (2) may be deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom if the unit or member has been deployed at any time within the three years preceding the date of the deployment covered by this subsection.

(2) COVERED UNITS AND MEMBERS.—The units and members of the Armed Forces specified in this paragraph are as follows:

(A) Units and members of the Army Reserve.

(B) Units and members of the Army National Guard.

(C) Units and members of the Marine Corps Reserve.

(D) Units and members of the Navy Reserve.

(E) Units and members of the Air Force Reserve.

(F) Units and members of the Air National Guard.

(G) Units and members of the Coast Guard Reserve.

(c) WAIVER BY THE PRESIDENT.—The President may waive the limitation in subsection (a) or (b) with respect to the deployment of a unit or member of the Armed Forces specified in such subsection if the President certifies to Congress that the deployment of the unit or member is necessary to meet an operational emergency posing a threat to vital national security interests of the United States.

(d) WAIVER BY THE MILITARY CHIEF OF STAFF.—The chief of staff of the Armed Force concerned may waive the limitation in subsection (a) or (b) with respect to the deployment of a member of the Armed Forces specified in the applicable subparagraph under such subsection upon the voluntary request of the member.

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Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Foreign Investment and National Security Act of 2007".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. United States security improvement amendments; clarification of review and investigation process.

Sec. 3. Statutory establishment of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States.

Sec. 4. Additional factors for consideration.

Sec. 5. Mitigation, tracking, and postconsumption monitoring and enforcement.

Sec. 6. Action by the President.

Sec. 7. Increased oversight by Congress.

Sec. 8. Certification of notices and assurances.

Sec. 9. Regulations.

Sec. 10. Effect on other law.

Sec. 11. Clerical amendments

Sec. 12. Effective date.

SEC. 2. UNITED STATES SECURITY IMPROVEMENT AMENDMENTS; CLARIFICATION OF REVIEW AND INVESTIGATION PROCESS.

Section 721 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2170) is amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) and inserting the following:

"(a) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

"(1) COMMITTEE; CHAIRPERSON.—The terms 'Committee' and 'chairperson' mean the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States and the chairperson thereof, respectively.

"(2) CONTROL.—The term 'control' has the meaning given to such term in regulations which the Committee shall prescribe.

"(3) COVERED TRANSACTION.—The term 'covered transaction' means any merger, acquisition, or takeover that is proposed or pending after August 23, 1988, by or with any foreign person which could result in foreign control of any person engaged in interstate commerce in the United States.

"(4) FOREIGN GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED TRANSACTION.—The term 'foreign government-controlled transaction' means any covered transaction that could result in the control of any person engaged in interstate commerce in the United States by a foreign government or an entity controlled by or acting on behalf of a foreign government.

"(5) CLARIFICATION.—The term 'national security' shall be construed so as to include those issues relating to 'homeland security', including its application to critical infrastructure.

"(6) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term 'critical infrastructure' means, subject to rules issued under this section, systems and assets, whether physical or virtual, so vital to the United States that the incapacity or destruction of such systems or assets would have a debilitating impact on national security.

"(7) CRITICAL TECHNOLOGIES.—The term 'critical technologies' means critical technology, critical components, or critical technology items essential to national defense, identified pursuant to this section, subject to regulations issued at the direction of the President, in accordance with subsection (h).

"(8) LEAD AGENCY.—The term 'lead agency' means the agency, or agencies, designated as the lead agency or agencies pursuant to subsection (k)(5) for the review of a transaction.

"(b) NATIONAL SECURITY REVIEWS AND INVESTIGATIONS.—

"(1) NATIONAL SECURITY REVIEWS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Upon receiving written notification under subparagraph (C) of any covered transaction, or pursuant to a unilateral notification initiated under subparagraph (D) with respect to any covered transaction, the President, acting through the Committee—

"(i) shall review the covered transaction to determine the effects of the transaction on the national security of the United States; and

"(ii) shall consider the factors specified in subsection (f) for such purpose, as appropriate.