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# H. R. 2460

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. EVERETT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Agriculture

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. COST SHARE ASSISTANCE FOR RURAL WATER**  
4 **SUPPLY.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Watershed Protection and  
6 Flood Prevention Act is amended by inserting after section  
7 3A (16 U.S.C. 1003a) the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 3B. COST SHARE ASSISTANCE FOR RURAL WATER**  
2 **SUPPLY.**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the  
4 Secretary shall provide at least 50 percent of the cost of  
5 constructing reservoir structures for the storage of water  
6 and main water transmission lines, to increase the water  
7 supply in a rural area. Such rural water supply will not  
8 exceed 50 percent of total project costs.

9 “(b) PURPOSE.—In order to qualify for assistance  
10 under this section, a project must be designed to increase  
11 the supply of water in a rural area that is experiencing  
12 a severe problem with the quality or quantity of water.

13 “(c) RURAL AREA DEFINED.—As used in this sec-  
14 tion, the term ‘rural area’ means any area that is not with-  
15 in the outer boundary of any city having a population of  
16 55,000 or more, according to the most recent decennial  
17 census of the United States.”.

18 (b) DEFINITION OF WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT.—Sec-  
19 tion 2 of such Act (16 U.S.C. 1002) is amended by strik-  
20 ing “Each project must contain” and all that follows  
21 through “benefits of the project.”.

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