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**STATEMENT FROM AGRICULTURE DIRECTOR GREG IBACH ON PASSAGE OF THE
AGRICULTURAL ACT OF 2014**

"Passage of this farm bill provides Nebraska producers with the policy certainty that is critical to being able to make sound business decisions for their operations. As current conditions show, agricultural markets are cyclical and subject to downs as well as ups, so I am pleased with a commodities title that has a strong insurance component, something our producers wanted.

"The bill also reauthorizes the livestock assistance provisions Nebraska producers asked for as a result of several severe weather situations in recent years."

"The importance of the farm bill isn't just limited to our commodity crop growers and livestock producers. The scope of the legislation is broad, including support for natural resources stewardship, international trade, and nutritional programming, among others. The farm bill touches every Nebraskan's life, to some degree, so passage of the Agricultural Act of 2014 is good news for the entire state."