

Washington, DC- Congressman Steve King released the following statement to highlight the Democratic Party opposition to the Farm Bill:

"In Iowa, President Obama pointed fingers at everyone but members of his own party for holding up the passage of the Farm Bill," said King. "President Obama's administration, including Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, should be more focused on convincing their Democratic colleagues why the Farm Bill is important for rural America, instead of spending time traveling throughout Iowa trying to convince us. Iowans already understand why the Farm Bill programs are critical to producers and farmers."

*ICYMI: Below is a compilation of members of the Democratic party who vocally oppose the bipartisan Farm Bill:*

- Secretary Tom Vilsack said "...the House Republicans have added new uncertainty for rural America." [USDA Statement](#)
- House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi is "troubled by the food stamp cuts" and said the cuts in the farm bill "are totally unacceptable." [The Hill](#)
- House Agriculture Ranking Member Colin Peterson said ""Some won't vote for a farm bill if there is one dollar in cuts to food stamps." [The Hill](#)
- Assistant Democratic Leader Jim Clyburn "[warned] the House Agriculture Committee that to proceed with planned food stamp cuts is an "abomination." [Politico](#)
- House Democratic Whip Steny Hoyer "has strong concerns" about the food stamp cuts agreed on by the House Agriculture Committee. [The Hill](#)

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- California Democrat Rep. Lynn Woolsey said, ""These cuts are a slap in the face to millions of people trying to make ends meet." [US News and World Report](#)

- Connecticut Democrat Rep. Rosa DeLauro even went as far as to "[urge] Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and other Democratic leaders to oppose the bill. 'No farmer is being cut back. They are being made whole," she said. "The people are getting screwed in this process are the people who can least afford it.' " [The Hill](#)

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