Governor Kelly pushes KS needs for Farm Bill

(MSC News)--Kansas Governor Laura Kelly, Tuesday, sent a letter to leaders of the U.S. Senate and House Agriculture Committees, urging them to prioritize Kansas farmers and ranchers in the upcoming Farm Bill.

That's according to a release issued by Kelly's office, which says the bill "shapes key aspects of U.S. agriculture and food policy," and is updated every five years.

In the letter, the release says, "Kelly advocated for increasing regional food sources and investing in the technological innovation that will drive down food prices long-term," while urging "the committees to explore solutions to help farmers and ranchers impacted by prolonged drought, severe floods, wildfires, and extreme temperatures – and to do so in a way that lowers grocery prices."

Kelly, in the letter, wrote that "instead of placing burdensome regulations on farmers and ranchers with already thin margins, the next Farm Bill should invest in voluntary conservation programs, drought-resistant crops like sorghum and cotton, robust crop insurance, and biological and technological innovation that will drive down the cost of regenerative agriculture in the long run."

Initial talks, regarding the 2023 Farm Bill, have begun.

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