

Sweet Facts



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Taxpayer Costs for 'No Net Cost' Sugar Program to Reach Well Over \$250 Million This Year

U.S. SUGAR PROGRAM'S COST TO AMERICAN TAXPAYERS SINCE HOUSE AND SENATE FARM BILL VOTES:

\$188,000,000
... and counting

Before Members of Congress voted by narrow margins to maintain the current sugar program in the farm bill, they were repeatedly reassured by the sugar lobby that the program operates at 'no net cost.' Clearly, that is false. Taxpayer costs have risen to \$188 million just since July, and by year's end will reach well over \$250 million.

Only Congress can fix a program that hurts U.S. consumers, taxpayers, food manufacturers and their workers with simple reforms to U.S. sugar policy.

**Congress, Reform the U.S. Sugar Program This Year.
Vote Yes on the Pitts Motion to Instruct Farm Bill Conferees.**

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The Coalition for Sugar Reform is an alliance of consumers, food and beverage manufacturers, trade advocates, environmental groups, taxpayer watchdog organizations, responsible government advocates, think tanks and other interests. Our objective is to reform the federal government's intrusive, inefficient, restrictive and outdated sugar program – a decades-old subsidy that has repeatedly failed to provide adequate supplies of sugar to the U.S. market.