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LOBBYING REPORT

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1. Registrant Name

Farmers Educational Cooperative Union of America

2. Address Check if different than previously reported

11900 E. Cornell Avenue

3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2)

City: Aurora

State/Zip (or Country) CO 80014-3194

4. Contact Name

Telephone

E-mail (optional)

5. Senate ID #

Tom Buis

202-554-1600

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7. Client Name Self

6. House ID #

3330500

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-Dec

Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

0. Check if this is a Termination Report ⇒ Termination Date _____

11. No Lobbying

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000

\$10,000 or more ⇒ \$ _____
Income (nearest \$20,000)

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client):

13. Organizations

EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000

\$10,000 or more ⇒ \$ 521,373
Expenses (nearest \$20,000)

14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of

Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition

Method B. Reporting amounts under section 603 Internal Revenue Code

Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162 Internal Revenue Code

Signature Tom Buis

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15. General issue area code AGR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of State, Treasury, Justice, Transportation, OMB, GAO, CEA, USTR, US CFTC, EPA, IRS, FDA, STB, OSHA, SBA, Federal Reserve System, FEMA Department of Interior, Department of Homeland Security

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Buis, Tom	
Miller, Jim	
Schepis, Chris	
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16. AGR continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.RES.261, to support groups such as Second Harvest to give aid to hungry people in U.S.

H.R.92, to provide disaster aid to producers for crop losses in 2001, 2002.

H.R.119, to establish program to give aid to eligible weed management entities.

H.R.140, to eliminate federal support programs for tobacco.

H.R.154, to provide emergency disaster aid to ag producers and other.

H.R.160 to provide emergency disaster assistance to producers.

H.R.245, to replace federal support programs for tobacco.

H.R.257, to provide emergency disaster assistance to producers for 2002 losses.

H.R.279, to include drought in Small Business Administration emergency aid program.

H.R.307, to provide emergency disaster assistance to producers for 2001 and 2002.

H.R.324, to restore consent of Congress to three dairy compacts.

H.R.341, to provide economic disaster assistance to producers of 2002 rice crop in Louisiana.

H.R.377, to extend replacement period for livestock sold because of weather-related emergencies.

H.R.376, to provide emergency livestock and crop assistance for 2001 and 2002.

H.R.455, to amend milk marketing.

H.R.478, to expand rules for involuntary conversions of livestock sold due to weather.

H.R.483, to provide tax relief for involuntary sale of livestock due to weather.

H.R.565, to provide emergency aid to some small business concerns that were injured by drought.

H.R.955, to amend ag appropriations act re organic farm definition for livestock.

H.R.986, to replace federal tobacco program.

H.R.1566, to replace federal support programs for tobacco.

H.R.1574, to amend farm law re rice growers in Texas.

H.R.1650, to amend milk marketing.

H.R.1659, to amend milk marketing.

H.R.1790, to provide for equitable distribution of federal disaster assistance.

H.R.1907, to amend farm law to provide technical assistance for conservation programs.

H.R.1990, to create counter-cyclical income support program for dairy.

H.R.2057, to encourage research into chronic wasting disease.

H.R.2181, to amend farm law to help oilseed growers to use oilseed acres for fruits, vegetables.

H.R.2431, to establish a chronic wasting disease task force.

H.R.2684, to provide emergency disaster aid to producers.

H.R.2871, to establish National Drought Council in USDA.

H.R.2920, to ensure effectiveness, safety of biotech help on world hunger.

H.R.3157, to set up USDA disaster liaison.

H.R.3232, to to reauthorize certain school lunch and child nutrition programs.

H.R.3242, to help competitiveness of U.S.-grown specialty crops to ensure supply of fruits, vegetable

H.R.3308, to convert dairy forward pricing program into permanent USDA program.

H.R.3402, to assist producers who incur crop losses due to bad weather or other disaster.

H.R.3482, to encourage private farmers and ranchers to make their land publically available for sta

H.R.3500, to prohibit extreme reduction in marketing quotas for tobacco.

H.R.3990, to amend Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.

H.R.4006, to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921.

H.R.4033, to terminated the federal tobacco quota and price support programs.

H.R.4223, to support development of a domestic casein and milk protein concentrate industry.

H.R.4583, to amend Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
H.R.4597, to establish regional dairy marketing areas to stabilize milk prices.
H.R.4620, regarding collection of approved state commodity assessments.

H.R.4702, to require farmers to be offered supplemental crop insurance.
 H.R.4705, to provide crop and livestock disaster assistance.
 H.R.4727, to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978.
 H.R.4874, to provide emergency assistance to producers.
 H.R.4960, to prohibit the anticipated reduction in the national tobacco marketing quotas.
 H.R.5180, to extend authority of the Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999.
 H.R.5203, to provide emergency agricultural disaster assistance.
 H.R.5226, to respond to recent natural disasters affecting agricultural producers.

S.RES.127, to urge reduction on loan interest rates for sugar beet and cane growers.

S.21, to provide emergency disaster aid for producers.
 S.27, to amend Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921.
 S.40, to regulate labeling of domestic natural cheese.
 S.42, to amend milk marketing regs.
 S.43, to amend milk marketing re bloc co-op voting.
 S.100, to expand access to affordable healthcare in rural areas.
 S.108, to provide emergency disaster aid to producers.
 S.124, to amend farm law re conservation reserve program during emergency.
 S.125, to provide emergency disaster aid to producers.
 S.325, to amend FIFRA to allow Canadian pesticide registration.
 S.332, to amend FIFRA to allow registration of Canadian pesticide.
 S.252, to provide special rules re replacement of livestock sold due to weather.
 S.560, to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and mpcs.
 S.602, to reward those who live in and help serve small, rural towns.
 S.667, to amend farm law to strengthen payment limitations for commodity payments, benefits.
 S.1036, to research causes of chronic wasting disease.
 S,1044, to amend Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921.
 S.1309, to provide emergency disaster aid to producers.
 S.1392, to improve nutrition of students served under child nutrition programs.
 S.1454, to establish a National Drought Council in USDA.
 S.1549, to phase out reduced price school meals by increasing income eligibility guidelines for free
 S.1626, to provide emergency disaster assistance to agricultural producers.
 S.1750, to amend Child Nutrition Act of 1966 and Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act.
 S.1755, to amend Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to support farm-to-cafeteria proje
 S.1796, to revitalize rural America and rebuild main street.
 S.1829, to encourage private farms and ranches to make their land publically available for state pro
 S.2141, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
 S.2461, to provide the Food and Drug Administration with authority to regulate tobacco products.
 S.2525, to establish regional dairy marketing areas.
 S.2565, to amend the Agriculture Adjustment Act.
 S.2592, to provide crop and livestock disaster assistance.
 S.2609, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
 S.2866, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
 S.2965, to amend the Livestock Mandatory Price Reporting Act of 1999.

Issues other than legislation:

Farm Service Agency personnel levels.

USDA agricultural credit availability.
Reform of the Federal Milk Marketing Order.
Establishment of a farmer-owned grain reserve.

Distribution of farm program benefits.
Expansion and improvement of Federal Crop Insurance programs.
Review of Packers and Stockyards Act effectiveness in enhancing competitive practices in 1 industry.
Mandatory livestock price reporting.
Contract production of agricultural commodities.
Long-term domestic agricultural policy.
Commodity loan rate adjustments.
Facility loan programs for commodity storage.
Natural disaster assistance for farmers and ranchers.
Regulations of the agriculture futures industry.
Farm bill implementation.
Indemnity payments to dairy producers.
Agricultural conservation programs.
Funding and implementation of rural development programs.
Funding for farmer-owned cooperatives.
Balancing supply and demand.
Natural resources.
Real estate, land use, conservation.
Small business.
Domestic food assistance.

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15. General issue area code BAN (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of 1
Treasury, Justice, OMB, GAO, CEA, IRS, Federal Reserve System, CF
Farm Credit Administration

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16. BAN continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.343, to protect family farmers and fishermen.

H.R.975, to amend title 11 of the U.S. Code.

H.R.2465, to extend period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of U.S. Code is reenacted.

H.R.3540, to extend the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the U.S. code is reenacted.

H.R.3542, to extend the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the U.S. Code is reenacted.

S.1920, to extend the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the U.S. Code is reenacted.

S.2004, to permanently reenact chapter 12 of title 11 of the U.S. Code.

S.2851, to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971.

Issues other than legislation:

Bankruptcy legislation.

Agriculture credit.

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15. General issue area code BUD (one per page)

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16. BUD continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.RES.583, to revise concurrent resolution on the FY 2005 budget.
 H.RES.685, to revise concurrent resolution on the FY 2005 budget.

H.J.RES.1, to make further continuing appropriations for FY2003.
 H.J.RES.2, joint resolution making consolidated appropriations.
 H.J.RES.5, to amend the Constitution to balance the budget.
 H.J.RES.13, to make further continuing appropriations for FY2003.
 H.J.RES.17, to make further continuing appropriations for FY2003.
 H.J.RES.18, to make further continuing appropriations for FY2003.
 H.J.RES.22, to amend the Constitution to balance the budget.
 H.J.RES.23, to make further continuing appropriations for FY2003.

H.CON.RES.95, to establish the congressional budget and set forth budgetary levels.
 H.CON.RES.393, to establish congressional budget for FY 2005.
 H.CON.RES.401, to revise concurrent resolution for the FY 2005 budget.

H.R.1175, to extend discretionary spending limits.
 H.R.1278, to extend discretionary spending caps.
 H.R.2153, to review, reform and terminate unnecessary federal subsidies.
 H.R.2673, to make appropriations for agriculture.
 H.R.3800, to reform federal budget procedures.
 H.R.3925, to amend 1974 Congressional Budget Act and 1985 Balanced Budget and Emergency D Control Act.
 H.R.3973, to amend part C of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.
 H.R.3984, to make rescissions in certain discretionary spending for FY 2005.
 H.R.3985, to make rescissions in certain discretionary spending for FY 2005.
 H.R.3986, to make rescissions in certain discretionary spending for FY 2005.
 H.R.3995, to amend 1974 Congressional Budget Act and 1985 Balanced Budget and Emergency D Control Act.
 H.R.4422, to make appropriations for departments of agriculture, education, health and human serv transportation.
 H.R.4500, to provide for energy research and development.
 H.R.4648, to amend part C of Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.
 H.R.4649, to amend part C of Balanced Budget and Emergency deficit Control Act of 1985.
 H.R.4663, to amend part C of Balanced Budget and Emergency deficit Control Act of 1985.
 H.R.4766, to make appropriations for Agriculture and other agencies.
 H.R.5227, to make emergency supplemental appropriations.

S.J.RES.2, to amend the Constitution to prohibit the physical desecration of the U.S. flag.

S.CON.RES.23, to sset forth the congressional budget.
 S.CON.RES.95, to set forth the congressional budget for FY 2005.

S.RES.47, to authorize expenditures by the agriculture committee.

S.675, to require certain economic techniques in preparing budgetary estimates.
S.1427, to make appropriations for agencies, including Agriculture.

S.2803, to make appropriations for Agriculture and other agencies.

Issues other than legislation:

Emergency economic assistance for farmers and ranchers

Funding for USDA programs

Appropriations and budget requests for USDA and other agencies with an agriculture-related mission responsibility.

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15. General issue area code CIV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of I and Justice

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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16. CIV continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.1667, to help socially disadvantaged farmer discriminated against by USDA.

Issues other than legislation:

Settlement of civil rights claims of minority farmers.

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15. General issue area code EDU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of Education, OMB, CFTC, IRS;

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16. EDU continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.4496, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998.

S.2577, to provide incentives to promote broadband, telecommunications services in rural America

Issues other than legislation:

Rural education grant funding.

Education technology.

Rural schools.

Telecommunications.

Public-funded research.

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15. General issue area code ENV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Department of Agriculture, EPA, OMB, USTR, Department of Energy, NASA

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16. ENV continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

- H.R.6, to enhance energy conservation, research and development.
 H.R.130, to provide for a biofuels feedstocks energy reserve.
 H.R.186, to ensure consumer information on food produced on land on which sewage sludge was a
 H.R.671, to reauthorize and revise Renewable Energy Production Incentive Program.
 H.R.1293, to help producers with plans to increase profitability in environmentally beneficial ways.
 H.R.1447, to increase sale and use of certain ethanol and biodiesel fuels.
 H.R.2447, to create task force to promote ag biotechnology.
 H.R.2703, to provide grants to promote purchase of conservation easements.
 H.R.2918, to protect farmers and ranchers from ill effects for biotechnology.
 H.R.2919, to assign liability for injury caused by genetically engineered organisms.
 H.R.2921, to prohibit open-air cultivation of genetically engineered crops.
 H.R.3188, to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.
 H.R.3319, to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.
 H.R.3472, to promote benefits and safety of biotechnology to help humans.
 H.R.3886, to amend the Food Security Act of 1985.
 H.R.4073, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat payments under the Conservation F
 Program as rentals from real estate.
 H.R.4189, to improve the funding structure of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program.
 H.R.4297, to provide loan guarantees for renewable energy projects using biomass material.
 H.R.4500, to provide for energy research and development.
 H.R.4652, to amend the Clean Air Act.
 H.R.4693, to establish requirements for those who seek to retain seed harvested from patented plan
- S.139, to provide research program on climate change, greenhouse gas emissions.
 S.355, to allow a credit for biodiesel fuel.
 S.357, to modify credit for production of fuel from nonconventional sources.
 S.385, to amend Clean Air Act, to ban MTBE and increase use of renewable fuel.
 S.597, to provide energy tax incentives.
 S.1005, to enhance energy security of U.S.
 S.1406, to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.
 S.1407, to regulate concentrated animal feeding operations.
 S.1548, to amend the 1986 Internal Revenue Code, to provide incentives for renewable fuel produc
 S.1644, to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921.
 S.1766, to amend the Food Security Act of 1985.
 S.1840, to amend the Food Security Act of 1985.
 S.1877, to amend the Food Security Act of 1985.
 S.2769, to provide that imported ethanol shall not count toward satisfaction of any renewable fuel :
 may be enacted.
 S.2856, to limit the transfer of certain CCC funds between conservation programs for technical ass
 the programs.

Issues other than legislation:

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Environmental/Superfund

Implications of “global warming” treaty.

Biotechnology and genetically modified organisms.

Conservation Incentives.

National energy policy.

Renewable energy.

Regulation of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Feeding Operations.

Water resource issues.

Agricultural chemicals.

Fuel storage.

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15. General issue area code FOO (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of Agriculture, Justice, State, FDA, USTR, OSHA

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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16. FOO continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.2203, to address issues in the reduction of pathogens in meat and poultry products.
 H.R.2270, to extend country-of-origin labeling requirements.
 H.R.2273, to recall meat and poultry that is unsafe.
 H.R.2916, to amend the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and the Meat Inspection and Poultry
 H.R.3083, to amend country-of-origin labeling requirements.
 H.R.3705, to amend Federal Meat Inspection Act.
 H.R.3714, to provide better protection against bovine spongiform encephalopathy.
 H.R.3732, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.
 H.R.3787, to amend the Animal Health Protection Act.
 H.R.3822, to amend the Animal Health Protection Act.
 H.R.3873, to amend the Richard B.Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act
 H.R.3904, to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act.
 H.R.3930, to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act.
 H.R.3993, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.
 H.R.4001, to use the Agricultural Research Service to conduct certain research on prion diseases.
 H.R.4005, to exempt certain animal identification information from disclosure.
 H.R.4121, to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act.
 H.R.4446, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
 H.R.4519, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966.
 H.R.4576, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.
 H.R.4800, to support specialty crop producers and production in the U.S.
 H.R. 4858, to provide financial assistance for farmers markets.
 H.R.5259, to establish the Food Safety Administration.

S.457, to remove fund limitations on requiring a certified organic farm to use organic feed for lives
 S.2007, to provide better protection against bovine spongiform encephalopathy.
 S.2008, to amend the Animal Health Protection Act.
 S.2070, to amend the Animal Health Protection Act.
 S.2141, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002.
 S.2546, to amend the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
 S.2910, to establish the Food Safety Administration.
 S.2987, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.

Issues other than legislation:

Implementation of "country-of-origin" labeling program.
 Establishment of national organic food and food production standards.
 Food Safety
 Food stamps/domestic nutrition programs.
 Implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act.

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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
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16. HCR continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.937, to improve access to services in rural hospitals and critical access hospitals.

Issues other than legislation:

Expansion of health care access and opportunities in rural areas.

Funding for rural health care facilities.

Patients "Bill of Rights" proposals.

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16. HOU continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

HR626, to amend Consolidated farm and Rural Development Act to authorize agriculture secretary grants to nonprofit groups to finance building sell systems in rural areas.

Issues other than legislation:

None.

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15. General issue area code IMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of Agriculture, State, Justice, INS

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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Miller, Jim	
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16. IMM continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

None.

Issues other than legislation:

None.

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15. General issue area code IND (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of Justice, Bureau of Indian Affairs

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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16. IND continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

S.522, to help Indian tribes in developing energy resources.

Issues other than legislation:

None.

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15. General issue area code LBR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of A
Labor, State, Justice, USTR, OSHA, Federal Trade Commission

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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16. LBR continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.582, to provide authority to investigate live poultry dealers.

H.R.719, to make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed or control livestock intended for slaughter.

H.R.2688, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act.

H.R.3604, to simplify admission of temporary alien agricultural workers.

H.R.4693, to set requirements for those seeking to retain seed from patented plants.

H.R.4821, to amend the IRS Code of 1986 to allow certain agricultural employers a credit against i for a portion of wages paid to nonimmigrant H-2A workers.

S.1645, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act, regarding status of certain foreign agricultu

S.2258, to revise certain requirements for H-2B employers for FY 2004.

Issues other than legislation:

Expansion and strengthening of anti-trust enforcement.

Merger review.

Merger moratorium on large agribusiness consolidations.

Impact of concentration in the banking industry.

Limitations on packer market power.

Impact of concentration in the agricultural chemical industry.

Pricing practices of the agricultural chemical industry.

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15. General issue area code TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of T
Justice, IRS, Federal Reserve System

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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16. TAX continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.J.RES.15, to amend the Constitution to abolish personal income, estate and gift taxes.

H.R.8, to make permanent the repeal of the estate tax.

H.R.50, to eliminate double taxation of dividends.

H.R.51, to repeal federal death tax.

H.R.57, to make repeal of estate tax permanent.

H.R.136, to provide tax credit for farmers' investment in value-added agriculture.

H.R.224, to increase small business expenses allowed.

H.R.225, to allow individuals to exclude dividend income.

H.R.226, to allow individuals to exclude dividend income.

H.R.310, to allow exclusion for gain from farmland sale.

H.R.312, to allow a dividends paid deduction.

H.R.457, to exclude from gross income gain on sale of family farming business to family member.

H.R.465, to allow allocation of small ethanol producer credit to co-op patrons.

H.R.905, to simplify application of self-employment tax in family farm businesses.

H.R.1279, to amend 1986 IR Code to give incentives to use biodiesel as a fuel.

H.R.1942, to amend 1986 IR Code to give incentives to use biodiesel as fuel.

H.R.2682, to amend the 1986 Internal Revenue Code.

H.R.3773, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

H.R.4165, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

H.R.4721, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

H.R.5114, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

H.R.5169, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

S.J.RES.20, sense of Congress regarding death tax.

S.34, to provide for repeal of estate tax on family-owned businesses and farms.

S.665, to provide tax relief for farmers and fishermen.

S.675, to require certain economic techniques in preparing budget estimates.

S.1316, to treat payments under CRP as rentals from real estate.

S.2584, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

S.2761, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Issues other than legislation:

Targeted tax reductions.

Tax exemption for farmland sold with residence.

Tax credits for state and local property taxes.

Federal estate tax reform.

Tax deductibility of insurance premiums.

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15. General issue area code TRA (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
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 Transportation, Justice, Energy, State, STB, IRS, EPA, OMB, OSHA,
 Administration

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16. TRA continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.413, to require STB to consider certain issues in rail construction decisions.
 H.R.2192, to authorize Surface Transportation Board appropriations, to enhance rail competition.
 H.R.2847, to amend the 1920 Merchant Marine Act.
 H.R. 2924, to amend title 49 of the U.S. Code.
 H.R.3087, to extend highway and other programs.
 H.R.3088, to extend highway and other programs.
 H.R.3783, to extend various programs funded out of the Highway Trust.
 H.R.3850, to extend various programs funded out of the Highway Trust.
 H.R.4219, to extend various programs funded out of the Highway Trust.
 H.R.4614, to appropriate funds for energy and water development.
 H.R.4635, to extend various programs funded out of the Highway Trust.
 H.R.4686, to revitalize the Mississippi River.
 H.R.4864, to extend programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund.
 H.R.4916, to extend programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund.
 H.R.5183, to extend programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund.

S.1389, to authorize STB appropriations.
 S.1640, to provide extension of highway programs.
 S.2732, to provide grants for use by rural local educational agencies in buying new school buses.
 S.2807, to amend the IRS Code of 1986 to exempt containers used in potato farming.
 S.2822, to extend programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund.
 S.2865, to require that light trucks and cars are able to use ethanol.

Issues other than legislation:

Impact of rail mergers and concentration in the industry.
 Discriminatory rail rates for captive shippers.
 Construction, maintenance and improvement to the inland waterway and port system.
 Impact of rail mergers and concentration in the industry.

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15. General issue area code TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Senate, House, Executive Office of the President, Departments of Agriculture, Justice, State, Treasury, USTR, USITC, FTC, CEA, OMB

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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16. TRD continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.CON.RES.98, to express sense of Congress re a free trade agreement between U.S. and Taiwan.
 H.CON.RES.160, to urge U.N. to remove economic sanctions against Iraq.
 H.CON.RES.224, to urge withdrawal of U.S. from NAFTA.
 H.RES.252, to support U.S. WTO efforts to end EU trade practices re ag biotechnology.
 H.RES.510, regarding free trade negotiations that could adversely impact the sugar industry.
 H.RES.532, to urge the U.S. to adhere to principles of justice and fairness in international trade agr
 H.RES.718, to provide that the trade authorities procedures under the Bipartisan Trade Promotion Act of 2002 shall not apply to any implementing bill submitted with respect to the Central American Free Trade Agreement.

H.R.187, to allow financing of agricultural sales to Cuba.
 H.R.188 to lift trade embargo on Cuba.
 H.R.390, to authorize emergency aid to humanitarian crisis in sub-Saharan Africa.
 H.R.851, to assess impact of NAFTA and entry of PRC into WTO.
 H.R.1010 to require inspection of cargo destined for U.S.
 H.R.1160, to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and mpcs.
 H.R.1698, to lift trade embargo on Cuba.
 H.R.2071, to allow travel between U.S. and Cuba.
 H.R.2494, to aid compliance with intellectual property obligations re the PRC.
 H.R.2579, to identify countries that deny U.S. ag market access.
 H.R.3286, to improve U.S. development and food aid around the world.
 H.R.3422, to aid Cuba.
 H.R.3775, to impose a ban on soybean imports from Argentina and Brazil.
 H.R.4120, to amend Trade Act of 1974.
 H.R.4457, to require congressional renewal of trade and travel restrictions on Cuba.
 H.R.4759, to implement the U.S.-Australia Free Trade Agreement.
 H.R.4986, to require a report on the exchange rate policies of the PRC.

H.CON.RES.243, sense of Congress regarding dispute settlement proceedings in the World Trade Organization.
 H.CON.RES.269, sense of Congress regarding support and respect for rights of African farmers.

S.185, to authorize emergency aid to help humanitarian crisis in sub-Saharan Africa.
 S.403, to lift trade embargo on Cuba.
 S.1324, to identify countries that deny U.S. ag market access.
 S.1592, to require appropriate action regarding certain countries that manipulate currency.
 S.2610, to implement the U.S.-Australia Free Trade Agreement.

S.RES.289, regarding free trade negotiations that could adversely impact the sugar industry.
 S.RES.293, urging that any future free trade agreements do not harm the dairy industry.

Issues other than legislation:

Trade (domestic/foreign)
 Agricultural trade issues for the World Trade Organization.

Revisions to U.S. sanctions policy.
Export licensing requirements for agricultural sales.
Implementation of Trade Adjustment Assistance to agricultural producers.

Impact of domestic agricultural policy on trade agreements.
Inclusion of labor and environmental standards in agricultural trade negotiations.
International food assistance.
Mechanisms to address impact of exchange rate fluctuations on trade.
Implementation of Byrd Amendment.
Agricultural imports.
Harmonization of environmental regulations.
Bilateral and regional trade negotiations and agreements.

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15. General issue area code UTI (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
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16. UTI continued.

Agriculture-related provisions of:

H.R.138, to bridge the digital divide in rural areas.

Issues other than legislation:

Impact of electric deregulation on farmers, ranchers and rural electric cooperatives.
Communications Industry Issues

