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## Corporate Transparency Act to Have Impact on More Than 230,000 Farms Across the Nation

The Corporate Transparency Act (CTA), which was signed into law in 2021 to curb money laundering and organized crime funding, contains a provision related to Beneficial Ownership Information (BOI) disclosures with a deadline of January 1, 2025. According to an estimate from American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF), this provision could impact over 230,000 farms across the country due to their business structure. While many in Congress have worked to protect small businesses, including farms, from the overreach of the CTA, efforts have stalled.

According to information from AFBF, the "BOI filing requirement applies to any small business that files an incorporating document with their state business authority to conduct business in the United States, including corporations, limited partnerships, or LLCs." The U.S. Department of Treasury defines "small entity" as having less than 20 employees and under \$5 million in cash receipts. Failure to comply with the BOI filing requirements could result in substantial fines and possible jail time.

For more information about the CTA and its impact on farms, click here.

For the Treasury Department's BOI filing page, click here.