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## STATEMENT: STEVE YATES APPLAUDS AFIDA IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2024 TO PROTECT U.S. AGRICULTURAL LAND FROM THE CCP

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – the America First Policy Institute (AFPI) released the following statement **from Steve Yates, Chair of the China Policy Initiative at AFPI**, applauding the introduction of the **AFIDA Improvements Act of 2024**:

“Foreign entities have acquired tens of millions of acres of U.S. agricultural land. This poses a clear threat to our national security, especially when adversarial nations such as the People’s Republic of China (PRC) gain control of land near military bases and critical infrastructure sites.

I applaud Senator Mike Braun (R-IN) for introducing this bill and taking an important step toward properly safeguarding our agricultural land from the PRC and other adversarial states.”

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