

Gifts & Estate Tax Warning



There is a proposed law on the congressional floor that could impact estate planning and, unfortunately, gifting properties are not exempt.

Currently, it would take approximately 3,700 acres of land to reach the now \$11.7 million estate tax exemption for both estate and gifting. The new proposed law, being called the Estate Tax Exemption, would take that current rate and drop it down to \$3.5 million. . If the bill were to pass, that means it would require slightly more than 1,100 acres to reach the exemption level, impacting more than 243,000 farms (or 12% if operations nationally). It would also limit the gift tax limited to \$1 million.

While this law still needs to pass through congress, it may be worth seriously considering completing gifts before 2021 is over. In general, it is a good idea to review your estate planning strategies as soon as possible with an attorney or other professional.

At Rooster Ag', we are monitoring the progress of the bill to the best of our ability. We have several experts as well as our top notch and fact-based appraisal services that could help to ensure that you are maximizing and preserving your legacy.



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