



WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT THE U.S. SUGAR PROGRAM

"As a business owner providing sweet treats and a diverse menu of foods, we, of course, use sugar in our products. As a result of this federal government program, we have been over-paying for sugar for decades."

Horchata Mexican Food & Bakery
Santa Monica, CA

Ford Gum & Machine Co.
Akron, NY

"We're the only gum ball manufacturer left in the United States, because all of my competitors have fled either up to Canada or down to Mexico where they can take advantage of world sugar and not have to pay the excessive sugar price that U.S. manufacturers are forced to pay."

"The USDA's ability to administer the sugar program at no net cost has been at issue since the 2012/2013 crop year, when net government outlays for the sugar program spiked to \$259 million."

Congressional Research Service

Ten Leading Environmental
Groups & Organizations

"The political power this program has given to sugarcane producers continues to wreak havoc on our state's tourism, fishing, and real estate economies that depend on clean water, which is blocked, diverted and muddied by the industry's practices and stranglehold on policymakers."

"The United States sugar program forces manufacturers to pay twice as much for sugar as the rest of the world, putting American businesses at a competitive disadvantage when it comes to creating jobs"

Georgia State Senate

23 Think Tanks and
Taxpayer Organizations

"The U.S. sugar program, enacted in 1934, is an outdated, Soviet-style command-and-control scheme that uses import quotas, loans, marketing allotments, price supports, and tariffs to artificially inflate the price of sugar."

"Unlike other farm programs, by design, the sugar program imposes its costs on American consumers and small businesses as a hidden tax on all products that include sugar – and when we say it subsidizes a handful of wealthy sugar processors, we are talking about a group of 13 mega-processors."

Reps. Virginia Foxx (R-N.C.)
and Danny Davis (D-Ill.)
Sponsors of the Sugar Policy
Modernization Act

The bipartisan Sugar Policy Modernization Act (H.R. 4265 / S. 2086) is a spoonful of fairness that creates an adequate supply of sugar based on a reasonable competitive approach that reaches from the farm to the retail shelf - while keeping an appropriate safety net for farmers.

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