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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. LEAHY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

## A BILL

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  - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
  - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

## **3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Dairy Pricing Oppor-

5 tunity Act of 2021".

## 6 SEC. 2. NOTICE AND HEARINGS.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture
9 shall provide notice of, and initiate, national hearings to

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review Federal milk marketing orders under section 8c(3)1 2 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 608c(3)), 3 reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing 4 Agreement Act of 1937, which shall include review and 5 consideration of views and proposals of producers and the dairy industry on the Class I skim milk price, including 6 7 the "higher of" Class I skim milk formula described in 8 subsection (b) and any other views and proposals on the 9 Class I skim milk price, and such other matters as the 10 Secretary of Agriculture considers appropriate.

11 (b) "Higher of" Class I Skim Milk Formula DESCRIBED.—The "higher of" Class I skim milk formula 12 13 referred to in subsection (a) is the formula under which, for purposes of determining prices for milk of the highest 14 15 use classification, the Class I skim milk price per hundredweight specified in section 1000.50(b) of title 7, Code of 16 17 Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), is equal to 18 the sum obtained by adding—

19 (1) the adjusted Class I differential specified in
20 section 1000.52 of that title (or successor regula21 tions);

(2) the adjustment to Class I prices specified in
sections 1005.51(b), 1006.51(b), and 1007.51(b) of
that title (or successor regulations); and

(3) the higher of—

1	(A) the advanced pricing factor computed
2	under section $1000.50(q)(1)$ of that title (or
3	successor regulations); and
4	(B) the advanced pricing factor computed
5	under section $1000.50(q)(2)$ of that title (or
6	successor regulations).