

Union Calendar No. 329

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 2480

[Report No. 111-571]

To improve the accuracy of fur product labeling, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2009

Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. COHEN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FARR, Mr. McCOTTER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. PLATTS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

JULY 27, 2010

Additional sponsors: Mr. CASTLE, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. MITCHELL, Mr. JONES, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. BERMAN, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. WOLF, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. DOYLE, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. FILNER, Mr. HONDA, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. STARK, Mr. PETERS, Mr. WELCH, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. NADLER of New York, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. TIERNEY, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Ms. SPEIER, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. LOBIONDO, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. HOLT, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MASSA, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, Ms. CHU, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. WEINER, Ms. GIFFORDS, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. SHULER, Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. PIERLUISI, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. BU-

CHANAN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. POLIS of Colorado, Ms. SUTTON, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. MCCAUL, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. WU, Mr. OLVER, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. HARE, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. ARCURI, Mr. MICHAUD, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. CROWLEY, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. ADLER of New Jersey, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. KILROY, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. PERRIELLO, Mr. HIMES, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mrs. DAHLKEMPER, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. TONKO, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. SCHAUER, Mr. UPTON, Mrs. HALVORSON, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. SIRES, Ms. KOSMAS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. KISSELL, Mr. MAFFEI, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. KRATOVIL, Mr. ALTMIRE, Mr. SCHOCK, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Ms. PINGREE of Maine

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Deleted sponsor: Mr. LANCE (added July 30, 2009; deleted September 15, 2009)

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

A BILL

To improve the accuracy of fur product labeling, and for other purposes.

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 “Truth in Fur Labeling
5 Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF EXEMPTION TO FUR PRODUCT LA-**
7 **BELING REQUIREMENTS FOR PRODUCTS**
8 **CONTAINING RELATIVELY SMALL QUAN-**
9 **TITIES OR VALUES OF FUR.**

10 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 2(d) of the Fur Products
11 Labeling Act (15 U.S.C. 69(d)) is amended by striking
12 “; except that” and all that follows through “contained
13 therein”.

14 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
15 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 90 days
16 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

17 **SEC. 3. FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION REVIEW OF FUR**
18 **PRODUCTS NAME GUIDE.**

19 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
20 ment of this Act, the Federal Trade Commission shall
21 publish in the Federal Register notice of, and an oppor-
22 tunity to comment on, a review of the Fur Products Name
23 Guide (16 C.F.R. 301.0).

1 **SEC. 4. STATE AUTHORITY TO REGULATE LABELING OF**
 2 **FUR PRODUCTS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 12 of the Fur Products
 4 Labeling Act (15 U.S.C. 69(j)) is amended—

5 (1) by striking “The provisions of” and insert-
 6 ing “(a) The provisions of”; and

7 (2) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(b) Nothing in this Act shall preclude or deny any
 9 right of any State or political subdivision thereof to adopt
 10 or enforce any provision of State or local law that provides
 11 more restrictive labeling requirements for fur products
 12 than what is provided for in this Act.”.

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4 **SEC. 3. EXEMPTION FOR DISCRETE SALES BY NON-RETAIL-**
5 **ERS.**

6 Section 3 of the Fur Products Labeling Act (15 U.S.C.
7 69a) is amended by adding at the end the following:

8 “(g) No provision of this Act shall apply to a fur prod-
9 uct—

10 “(1) the fur of which was obtained from an ani-
11 mal through trapping or hunting; and

12 “(2) when sold in a face to face transaction at
13 a place such as a residence, craft fair, or other loca-
14 tion used on a temporary or short term basis, by the
15 person who trapped or hunted the animal, where the
16 revenue from the sale of apparel or fur products is not
17 the primary source of income of such person.”.

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