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H. R. 6988

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOLT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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 “Wildlife Penning Pro-
5 hibition Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADDITION OF WILDLIFE USED IN PENNED DOG**
2 **TRAINING ACTIVITIES TO DEFINITION OF**
3 **PROHIBITED WILDLIFE SPECIES.**

4 Section 2(g) of the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981
5 (16 U.S.C. 3371(g)) is amended by inserting before the
6 period at the end “, or any wildlife, other than birds, used
7 or intended to be used in dog training activities in which
8 coyotes, foxes or other wildlife species (other than birds)
9 are pursued, harassed, or killed within an enclosure”.

10 **SEC. 3. CAPTIVE WILDLIFE AMENDMENTS.**

11 (a) PROHIBITED ACTS.—Section 3 of the Lacey Act
12 Amendments of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3372) is amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a)—

14 (A) in paragraph (2)—

15 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
16 “or” after the semicolon;

17 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
18 “; or” and inserting a semicolon; and

19 (iii) by striking subparagraph (C);

20 and

21 (B) in paragraph (4), by inserting “or sub-
22 section (e)” before the period; and

23 (2) in subsection (e)—

24 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3),
25 (4) and (5) as paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (6)
26 respectively;

1 (B) by striking “(e)” and all that follows
2 through “Subsection (a)(2)(C)” in paragraph
3 (1) and inserting the following:

4 “(e) CAPTIVE WILDLIFE OFFENSE.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—It is unlawful for any per-
6 son to import, export, transport, sell, receive, ac-
7 quire, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce
8 any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species.

9 “(2) NONAPPLICABILITY.—This subsection”;

10 (C) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by
11 subparagraph (A))—

12 (i) by striking “a prohibited” and in-
13 serting “any prohibited”;

14 (ii) by striking “(3)” and inserting
15 “(4)”;

16 (iii) by striking “(2)” and inserting
17 “(3)”;

18 (D) in paragraph (3) (as redesignated by
19 subparagraph (A))—

20 (i) in subparagraph (C)—

21 (I) in clauses (ii) and (iii), by
22 striking “animals listed in section
23 2(g)” each place it appears and in-
24 serting “prohibited wildlife species”;
25 and

1 (II) in clause (iv), by striking
2 “animals” and inserting “prohibited
3 wildlife species”; and

4 (ii) in subparagraph (D), by striking
5 “animal” each place it appears and insert-
6 ing “prohibited wildlife species”;

7 (E) in paragraph (4) (as redesignated by
8 subparagraph (A)), by striking “(2)” and in-
9 serting “(3)”;

10 (F) in paragraph (6) (as redesignated by
11 subparagraph (A)), by striking “subsection
12 (a)(2)(C)” and inserting “this subsection”; and

13 (G) by inserting after paragraph (6) (as
14 redesignated by subparagraph (A)) the fol-
15 lowing:

16 “(7) APPLICATION.—This subsection shall
17 apply beginning on the effective date of regulations
18 promulgated under this subsection.”.

19 (b) CIVIL PENALTIES.—Section 4(a) of the Lacey
20 Act Amendments of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3373(a)) is amend-
21 ed—

22 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “subsections
23 (b) and (d)” and inserting “subsections (b), (d), and
24 (e)”;

1 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “section 3(d)”
2 and inserting “subsection (d) or (e) of section 3”.

3 (c) CRIMINAL PENALTIES.—Section 4(d) of the
4 Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3373(d)) is
5 amended—

6 (1) in paragraphs (1)(A) and (1)(B) and in the
7 first sentence of paragraph (2), by striking “sub-
8 sections (b) and (d)” each place it appears and in-
9 serting “subsections (b), (d), and (e)”; and

10 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “section 3(d)”
11 and inserting “subsection (d) or (e) of section 3”.

12 (d) CORRECTION OF PRIOR AMENDMENT.—

13 (1) CORRECTION.—Section 102(c) of Public
14 Law 100–653 (102 Stat. 3826) is amended by strik-
15 ing “section 3(b)” and inserting “subsection 3(b)”.

16 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This subsection shall
17 take effect upon enactment of Public Law 100–653.

18 **SEC. 4. APPLICABILITY PROVISION AMENDMENT.**

19 Section 3 of the Captive Wildlife Safety Act (117
20 Stat. 2871; Public Law 108–191) is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “(a) IN GEN-
22 ERAL.—Section 3” and inserting “Section 3”; and

23 (2) by striking subsection (b).

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