CHAPTER 16—HUMAN CLONING

Sec. 301. Definitions.

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‘‘In this chapter:

(1) HUMAN CLONING.—The term ‘human cloning’ means human asexual reproduction, accomplished by introducing the nuclear material of a human somatic cell into a fertilized or unfertilized oocyte whose nucleus has been removed or inactivated to produce a living organism (at any stage of development) with a human or predominantly human genetic constitution.

(2) SOMATIC CELL.—The term ‘somatic cell’ means a diploid cell (having a complete set of chromosomes) obtained or derived from a living or deceased human body at any stage of development.

(3) PROHIBITION ON HUMAN CLONING.—

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person or entity, public or private, to perform human cloning; or

(B) to ship or receive the product of human cloning for any purpose.

(c) PENALTIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Any person or entity that is convicted of violating any provision of this section shall be fined under this section, including research in the use of nuclear transfer or other cloning techniques to produce molecules, DNA, cells other than human embryos, tissues, organs, plants, or animals other than humans.”.

(2) CIVIL PENALTY.—Any person or entity that is convicted of violating any provision of this section shall be subject to, in the case of a violation that is considered the derivation of a pecuniary gain, a civil penalty of not less than $1,000,000 and not more than an amount equal to the amount of the gross gain multiplied by 2, if that amount is greater than $1,000,000.

(b) PENALTIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Any person or entity that is convicted of violating any provision of this section shall be, in the case of a violation that is considered the derivation of a pecuniary gain, a civil penalty of not less than $1,000,000 and not more than an amount equal to the amount of the gross gain multiplied by 2, if that amount is greater than $1,000,000.

(c) SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.—Nothing in this section shall restrict areas of scientific research not specifically prohibited by this section.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for part I of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item 301 of title 18, United States Code, as added by this section; and

The committee will also receive testimony and recommendations from the Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy.

NOTICE OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will meet on July 26, 2001 in SR–328A at 10:30 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to consider nominations for positions at the Department of Agriculture.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a nomination has been added to a full committee hearing previously announced for Friday, July 27, at 9:30 a.m. in SD–366 for the purpose of receiving testimony on H.R. 306, to establish the Guam War Claims Review Commission, and H.R. 309, to provide for the determination of withholding tax rates under the Guam income tax.

The committee will also receive testimony on the nomination of Theresa Avila-Speake to be Director, Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy.

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