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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. DELAURO introduced the following bill; which was 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 “Minks in Narrowly
5 Kept Spaces are Superspreaders Act” or the “MINKS are
6 Superspreaders Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO MINK.**

2 (a) LACEY ACT AMENDMENTS.—Section 3 of the
3 Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 (16 U.S.C. 3372) is
4 amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

6 (A) in subparagraph (B)(iii), by striking
7 “or” at the end;

8 (B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting “or”
9 after the semicolon; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(D) any American mink (*Neovison vison*)
12 raised in captivity for fur production, whether
13 dead or alive, or any part, product, or offspring
14 thereof (subject to subsection (e));” and

15 (2) in subsection (e)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Sub-
17 section (a)(2)(C) does” and inserting “Subpara-
18 graphs (C) and (D) of subsection (a)(2) do”;
19 and

20 (B) by inserting “or mink described in
21 subsection (a)(2)(D)” after “species” each
22 place it appears.

23 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
24 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 1 year
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act.