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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 30, 2017

Mr. DeFazio (for himself and Mr. Blumenauer) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Chemical Poisons Reduction Act of 2017”.

SEC. 2. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Act is to restrict the use of the poisons sodium fluoroacetate (known as “Compound 1080”) and sodium cyanide to kill predatory animals given the risks posed by such poisons to—
(1) public safety;
(2) national security;
(3) the environment; and
(4) persons and other animals that come into accidental contact with such poisons.

SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON USE OF CERTAIN POISONS FOR PREDATOR CONTROL.

(a) Prohibited Act.—Sodium fluoroacetate (known as “Compound 1080”) and sodium cyanide may not be used in a predator control device.

(b) Penalty.—Whoever uses sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide in a predator control device shall be fined under title 18, United States Code, or imprisoned not more than 2 years, or both.

(c) Predator Control Device Defined.—In this section, the term “predator control device” means—

(1) a dispenser designed to propel sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide when activated by an animal;

(2) a livestock protection collar designed to release sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide when punctured by an animal;

(3) a gas cartridge or other pyrotechnic device designed to emit sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide fumes; and
(4) any other means of dispensing sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide, including in the form of capsules, for wildlife management or other animal control purposes.