106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H.R. 136

To limit the authority of the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to ban metered-dose inhalers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 6, 1999

Mr. Foley (for himself, Mr. Klink, Mr. Canady of Florida, Mr. Boyd, and Mrs. Kelly) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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 "Asthma Inhalers Regu-
- 5 latory Relief Act of 1999".
- 6 SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY UNDER CLEAN AIR ACT
- 7 TO BAN METERED-DOSE INHALERS.
- 8 The Administrator of the Environmental Protection
- 9 Agency may not, under title VI of the Clean Air Act, pro-
- 10 hibit the manufacture, distribution, or sale of metered-

- 1 dose inhalers that use chlorofluorocarbons unless the Ad-
- 2 ministrator and the Commissioner of Food and Drugs
- 3 jointly certify to the Congress that alternatives to such
- 4 inhalers are available that, for all populations of users of
- 5 such inhalers, are comparable in terms of safety and effec-
- 6 tiveness, costs, and retail availability.

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