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# H. R. 2829

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 9, 1999

Ms. KAPTUR (for herself, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. GILCHREST, Mrs. CLAYTON, and Mr. BISHOP) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## A BILL

To amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to provide the Secretary of Agriculture with administrative authority to investigate live poultry dealers, and for other purposes.

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. REGULATION OF COMMERCE IN POULTRY AND**  
4 **POULTRY PRODUCTS UNDER PACKERS AND**  
5 **STOCKYARDS ACT, 1921.**

6 (a) REMOVAL OF POULTRY SLAUGHTER REQUIRE-  
7 MENT FROM DEFINITIONS.—Section 2(a) of the Packers  
8 and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 182), is amended—

1           (1) by striking paragraph (8) and inserting the  
2           following new paragraph:

3           “(8) The term ‘poultry grower’ means any person en-  
4           gaged in the business of raising or caring for live poultry  
5           under a poultry growing arrangement, whether the poultry  
6           is owned by such person or by another person;”;

7           (2) in paragraph (9), by striking “and cares for  
8           live poultry for delivery, in accord with another’s in-  
9           structions, for slaughter” and inserting “or cares for  
10          live poultry in accord with another person’s instruc-  
11          tions”; and

12          (3) in paragraph (10), by striking “for the pur-  
13          pose of either slaughtering it or selling it for slaugh-  
14          ter by another”.

15          (b) ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY  
16          OVER LIVE POULTRY DEALERS.—Sections 203, 204, and  
17          205 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 193, 194, 195) are amended  
18          by inserting “or live poultry dealer” after “packer” each  
19          place it appears.

20          (c) AUTHORITY TO REQUEST TEMPORARY INJUNC-  
21          TION OR RESTRAINING ORDER.—Section 408 of such Act  
22          (7 U.S.C. 229) is amended by striking “on account of  
23          poultry” and inserting “on account of poultry or poultry  
24          care”.

1       (d) VIOLATIONS BY LIVE POULTRY DEALERS.—Sec-  
2   tion 411 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 228b–2) is amended—

3           (1) in subsection (a), by striking “any provision  
4       of section 207 or section 410 of”; and

5           (2) in subsection (b), by striking “any provi-  
6       sions of section 207 or section 410” and inserting  
7       “any provision”.

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