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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 15, 2001

Mr. Allard (for himself, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Warner, Mr. Daschle, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Smith of Oregon, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Levin, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Torricelli, Mr. Dorgan, Mr. Smith of New Hampshire, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Reid, Mr. Jeffords, Mr. Sarbanes, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Bayh, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Dewine, Ms. Collins, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Feingold, and Mr. Brownback) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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,

SECTION 1. INTERSTATE MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS FOR ANI-

- 2 **MAL FIGHTING.**
- 3 (a) Removal of Limitation.—Section 26 of the
- 4 Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2156) is amended by strik-
- 5 ing subsection (d) and inserting the following:
- 6 "(d) Activities Not Subject to Prohibition.—
- 7 This section does not apply to the selling, buying, trans-
- 8 porting, or delivery of animals in interstate or foreign
- 9 commerce for any purpose or purposes, so long as those
- 10 purposes do not include that of an animal fighting ven-
- 11 ture.".
- 12 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 13 subsection (a) takes effect on the date that is 30 days
- 14 after the date of enactment of this Act.

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