

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3202

To amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, popularly known as the Lacey Act, to add certain species of lionfish to the list of injurious species that are prohibited from being imported or shipped.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 23, 2015

Mr. CLAWSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. JOLLY, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Mr. CRENSHAW, and Mr. DIAZ-BALART) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Lionfish Elimination
5 and Prevention Act of 2015” or as the “LEAP Act of
6 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADDITION OF SPECIES OF LIONFISH TO THE LIST**
2 **OF INJURIOUS SPECIES THAT ARE PROHIB-**
3 **ITED FROM BEING IMPORTED OR SHIPPED.**

4 Section 42(a)(1) of title 18, United States Code, is
5 amended by inserting after “*Dreissena polymorpha*,” the
6 following: “of the red lionfish of the species *Pterois*
7 *volitans*; of the devil lionfish of the species *Pterois miles*;
8 of the Hawaiian turkeyfish of the species *Pterois sphex*;
9 of the soldier lionfish of the species *Pterois russelii*; of the
10 clearfin lionfish of the species *Pterois radiata*; of the spe-
11 cies *Pterois paucispinula*; of the frillfin turkeyfish of the
12 species *Pterois mombasae*; of the luna lionfish of the spe-
13 cies *Pterois lunalata*; of the mandritsa of the species
14 *Pterois brevipectoralis*; of the spotfin lionfish of the spe-
15 cies *Pterois antennata*; of the scorpionfish of the species
16 *Pterois andover*,”.

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