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# H. R. 582

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 5, 2003

Ms. KAPTUR (for herself and Mr. PRICE of North Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## 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. 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 accordance with another person’s in-  
11 structions”; 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. 228a) 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 “of section  
4       207 or section 410”; and

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

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