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To improve the accuracy of fur product labeling, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2009

Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. COHEN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FARR, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. PLATTS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and 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 "Truth in Fur Labeling

5 Act of 2009".

SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF EXEMPTION TO FUR PRODUCT LA BELING REQUIREMENTS FOR PRODUCTS CONTAINING RELATIVELY SMALL QUAN TITIES OR VALUES OF FUR.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2(d) of the Fur Products
6 Labeling Act (15 U.S.C. 69(d)) is amended by striking
7 "; except that" and all that follows through "contained
8 therein".

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 90 days
11 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

12 SEC. 3. FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION REVIEW OF FUR 13 PRODUCTS NAME GUIDE.

14 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact15 ment of this Act, the Federal Trade Commission shall
16 publish in the Federal Register notice of, and an oppor17 tunity to comment on, a review of the Fur Products Name
18 Guide (16 C.F.R. 301.0).

19 SEC. 4. STATE AUTHORITY TO REGULATE LABELING OF 20 FUR PRODUCTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 12 of the Fur Products
Labeling Act (15 U.S.C. 69(j)) is amended—

23 (1) by striking "The provisions of" and insert-

24 ing "(a) The provisions of"; and

25 (2) by adding at the end the following:

"(b) Nothing in this Act shall preclude or deny any
 right of any State or political subdivision thereof to adopt
 or enforce any provision of State or local law that provides
 more restrictive labeling requirements for fur products
 than what is provided for in this Act.".

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
7 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 90 days
8 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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