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H. R. 263

To amend the Animal Welfare Act to require humane living conditions for calves raised for the production of veal.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 1995

Mr. JACOBS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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. HUMANE LIVING CONDITIONS REQUIRED FOR**
4 **VEAL CALVES.**

5 The Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.) is
6 amended—

7 (1) by redesignating section 29 (7 U.S.C. 2159)
8 as section 30; and

9 (2) by inserting after section 28 (7 U.S.C.
10 2158) the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 29. PROTECTION OF VEAL CALVES.**

2 “(a) HUMANE LIVING CONDITIONS REQUIRED.—Be-
3 ginning one year after the date of the enactment of this
4 section, no person shall raise a calf for the production of
5 veal unless the person complies with the following require-
6 ments:

7 “(1) The calf is free to turn around without dif-
8 ficulty, lie with its legs outstretched, and groom it-
9 self, without any impediment such as too small an
10 enclosure or chaining or tethering.

11 “(2) The calf is fed a daily diet containing suf-
12 ficient iron and, if the calf is more than 14 days old,
13 sufficient digestible fiber to prevent anemia and to
14 sustain full health.

15 “(b) PENALTIES.—The remedies and procedures pro-
16 vided in subsections (b), (c), and (d) of section 19 of this
17 Act shall apply with respect to a violation of subsection
18 (a).

19 “(c) INVESTIGATIONS AND INSPECTIONS.—For pur-
20 poses of enforcement of this section, the Secretary may
21 make such investigations or inspections as the Secretary
22 considers necessary of any facility where calves are kept
23 for the production of veal. Section 16 of this Act shall
24 apply with respect to investigations and inspections con-
25 ducted under this section.”.