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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit the Director of the National Institutes of Health from conducting or funding research that causes significant pain or distress to a dog or cat, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. MACE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Preventing Animal
5 Abuse and Waste Act” or the “PAAW Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON RESEARCH CAUSING SIGNIFICANT**
2 **PAIN OR DISTRESS TO DOGS AND CATS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart 6 of part C of title IV
4 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 285f et seq.)
5 is amended by adding at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 447E. PROHIBITION ON RESEARCH CAUSING SIGNIFI-**
7 **CANT PAIN OR DISTRESS TO DOGS AND CATS.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of NIH may not
9 conduct or support any research that causes significant
10 pain or distress to a dog or cat.

11 “(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘re-
12 search that causes significant pain or distress’ includes
13 any study that includes an assignment of pain category
14 D or E, as defined by the Pain and Distress Categories
15 of the Department of Agriculture (or such successor cat-
16 egories developed pursuant to section 13 of the Animal
17 Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2143)).”.

18 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by sub-
19 section (a) applies beginning on the date that is 90 days
20 after the date of enactment of this Act.