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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Antarctic Environ-  
3 mental Protection Act of 1996”.

4 **TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO THE**  
5 **ANTARCTIC CONSERVATION**  
6 **ACT OF 1978**

7 **SEC. 101. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

8       Section 2 of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978  
9 (16 U.S.C. 2401) is amended to read as follows:

10 **“SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

11       “(a) **FINDINGS.**—The Congress finds that the Ant-  
12 arctic Treaty and the Protocol on Environmental Protec-  
13 tion to the Antarctic Treaty establish a firm foundation  
14 for the comprehensive protection of the Antarctic environ-  
15 ment, the continuation of international cooperation, and  
16 the freedom of scientific investigation in Antarctica.

17       “(b) **PURPOSE.**—The purpose of this Act is to pro-  
18 vide legislative authority to implement, with respect to the  
19 United States, the Protocol on Environmental Protection  
20 to the Antarctic Treaty.”.

21 **SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.**

22       Section 3 of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978  
23 (16 U.S.C. 2402) is amended to read as follows:

24 **“SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

25       “For purposes of this Act—

1           “(1) the term ‘Administrator’ means the Ad-  
2           ministrators of the Environmental Protection Agency;

3           “(2) the term ‘Antarctica’ means the area south  
4           of 60 degrees south latitude;

5           “(3) the term ‘Antarctic Specially Protected  
6           Area’ means an area identified as such pursuant to  
7           Annex V to the Protocol;

8           “(4) the term ‘Director’ means the Director of  
9           the National Science Foundation;

10          “(5) the term ‘harmful interference’ means—

11               “(A) flying or landing helicopters or other  
12               aircraft in a manner that disturbs concentra-  
13               tions of birds or seals;

14               “(B) using vehicles or vessels, including  
15               hovercraft and small boats, in a manner that  
16               disturbs concentrations of birds or seals;

17               “(C) using explosives or firearms in a  
18               manner that disturbs concentrations of birds or  
19               seals;

20               “(D) willfully disturbing breeding or  
21               molting birds or concentrations of birds or seals  
22               by persons on foot;

23               “(E) significantly damaging concentrations  
24               of native terrestrial plants by landing aircraft,

1 driving vehicles, or walking on them, or by  
2 other means; and

3 “(F) any activity that results in the signifi-  
4 cant adverse modification of habitats of any  
5 species or population of native mammal, native  
6 bird, native plant, or native invertebrate;

7 “(6) the term ‘historic site or monument’  
8 means any site or monument listed as a historic site  
9 or monument pursuant to Annex V to the Protocol;

10 “(7) the term ‘impact’ means impact on the  
11 Antarctic environment and dependent and associated  
12 ecosystems;

13 “(8) the term ‘import’ means to land on, bring  
14 into, or introduce into, or attempt to land on, bring  
15 into or introduce into, any place subject to the juris-  
16 diction of the United States, including the 12-mile  
17 territorial sea of the United States, whether or not  
18 such act constitutes an importation within the mean-  
19 ing of the customs laws of the United States;

20 “(9) the term ‘native bird’ means any member,  
21 at any stage of its life cycle (including eggs), of any  
22 species of the class Aves which is indigenous to Ant-  
23 arctica or occurs there seasonally through natural  
24 migrations, and includes any part of such member;

1           “(10) the term ‘native invertebrate’ means any  
2           terrestrial or freshwater invertebrate, at any stage of  
3           its life cycle, which is indigenous to Antarctica, and  
4           includes any part of such invertebrate;

5           “(11) the term ‘native mammal’ means any  
6           member, at any stage of its life cycle, of any species  
7           of the class Mammalia, which is indigenous to Ant-  
8           arctica or occurs there seasonally through natural  
9           migrations, and includes any part of such member;

10          “(12) the term ‘native plant’ means any terres-  
11          trial or freshwater vegetation, including bryophytes,  
12          lichens, fungi, and algae, at any stage of its life  
13          cycle (including seeds and other propagules), which  
14          is indigenous to Antarctica, and includes any part of  
15          such vegetation;

16          “(13) the term ‘non-native species’ means any  
17          species of animal or plant which is not indigenous to  
18          Antarctica and does not occur there seasonally  
19          through natural migrations;

20          “(14) the term ‘person’ has the meaning given  
21          that term in section 1 of title 1, United States Code,  
22          and includes any person subject to the jurisdiction  
23          of the United States and any department, agency, or  
24          other instrumentality of the Federal Government or  
25          of any State or local government;

1           “(15) the term ‘prohibited product’ means any  
2           substance banned from introduction onto land or ice  
3           shelves or into water in Antarctica pursuant to  
4           Annex III to the Protocol;

5           “(16) the term ‘prohibited waste’ means any  
6           substance which must be removed from Antarctica  
7           pursuant to Annex III to the Protocol, but does not  
8           include materials used for balloon envelopes required  
9           for scientific research and weather forecasting;

10          “(17) the term ‘Protocol’ means the Protocol on  
11          Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty,  
12          signed October 4, 1991, in Madrid, and all annexes  
13          thereto, including any future amendments thereto to  
14          which the United States is a party;

15          “(18) the term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary  
16          of Commerce;

17          “(19) the term ‘Specially Protected Species’  
18          means any native species designated as a Specially  
19          Protected Species pursuant to Annex II to the Pro-  
20          tocol;

21          “(20) the term ‘take’ means to kill, injure, cap-  
22          ture, handle, or molest a native mammal or bird, or  
23          to remove or damage such quantities of native plants  
24          that their local distribution or abundance would be  
25          significantly affected;

1           “(21) the term ‘Treaty’ means the Antarctic  
2       Treaty signed in Washington, DC, on December 1,  
3       1959;

4           “(22) the term ‘United States’ means the sev-  
5       eral States of the Union, the District of Columbia,  
6       the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American  
7       Samoa, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Common-  
8       wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and any  
9       other commonwealth, territory, or possession of the  
10      United States; and

11          “(23) the term ‘vessel subject to the jurisdiction  
12      of the United States’ includes any ‘vessel of the  
13      United States’ and any ‘vessel subject to the juris-  
14      diction of the United States’ as those terms are de-  
15      fined in section 303 of the Antarctic Marine Living  
16      Resources Convention Act of 1984 (16 U.S.C.  
17      2432).”.

18 **SEC. 103. PROHIBITED ACTS.**

19       Section 4 of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978  
20      (16 U.S.C. 2403) is amended to read as follows:

21 **“SEC. 4. PROHIBITED ACTS.**

22       “(a) IN GENERAL.—It is unlawful for any person—

23           “(1) to introduce any prohibited product onto  
24      land or ice shelves or into water in Antarctica;



1           “(2) to dispose of any waste onto ice-free land  
2 areas or into fresh water systems in Antarctica;

3           “(3) to dispose of any prohibited waste in Ant-  
4 arctica;

5           “(4) to engage in open burning of waste;

6           “(5) to transport passengers to, from, or within  
7 Antarctica by any seagoing vessel not required to  
8 comply with the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships  
9 (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.), unless the person has an  
10 agreement with the vessel owner or operator under  
11 which the owner or operator is required to comply  
12 with Annex IV to the Protocol;

13           “(6) who organizes, sponsors, operates, or pro-  
14 motes a nongovernmental expedition to Antarctica,  
15 and who does business in the United States, to fail  
16 to notify all members of the expedition of the envi-  
17 ronmental protection obligations of this Act, and of  
18 actions which members must take, or not take, in  
19 order to comply with those obligations;

20           “(7) to damage, remove, or destroy a historic  
21 site or monument;

22           “(8) to refuse permission to any authorized offi-  
23 cer or employee of the United States to board a ves-  
24 sel, vehicle, or aircraft of the United States, or sub-  
25 ject to the jurisdiction of the United States, for the

1 purpose of conducting any search or inspection in  
2 connection with the enforcement of this Act or any  
3 regulation promulgated or permit issued under this  
4 Act;

5 “(9) to forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede,  
6 intimidate, or interfere with any authorized officer  
7 or employee of the United States in the conduct of  
8 any search or inspection described in paragraph (8);

9 “(10) to resist a lawful arrest or detention for  
10 any act prohibited by this section;

11 “(11) to interfere with, delay, or prevent, by  
12 any means, the apprehension, arrest, or detention of  
13 another person, knowing that such other person has  
14 committed any act prohibited by this section;

15 “(12) to violate any regulation issued under  
16 this Act, or any term or condition of any permit is-  
17 sued to that person under this Act; or

18 “(13) to attempt to commit or cause to be com-  
19 mitted any act prohibited by this section.

20 “(b) ACTS PROHIBITED UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY  
21 PERMIT.—It is unlawful for any person, unless authorized  
22 by a permit issued under this Act—

23 “(1) to dispose of any waste in Antarctica (ex-  
24 cept as otherwise authorized by the Act to Prevent  
25 Pollution from Ships) including—

1           “(A) disposing of any waste from land into  
2           the sea in Antarctica; and

3           “(B) incinerating any waste on land or ice  
4           shelves in Antarctica, or on board vessels at  
5           points of embarkation or debarkation, other  
6           than through the use at remote field sites of in-  
7           cinerator toilets for human waste;

8           “(2) to introduce into Antarctica any member  
9           of a nonnative species;

10          “(3) to enter or engage in activities within any  
11          Antarctic Specially Protected Area;

12          “(4) to engage in any taking or harmful inter-  
13          ference in Antarctica; or

14          “(5) to receive, acquire, transport, offer for  
15          sale, sell, purchase, import, export, or have custody,  
16          control, or possession of, any native bird, native  
17          mammal, or native plant which the person knows, or  
18          in the exercise of due care should have known, was  
19          taken in violation of this Act.

20          “(c) EXCEPTION FOR EMERGENCIES.—No act de-  
21          scribed in subsection (a) (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (7), (12),  
22          or (13) or in subsection (b) shall be unlawful if the person  
23          committing the act reasonably believed that the act was  
24          committed under emergency circumstances involving the  
25          safety of human life or of ships, aircraft, or equipment

1 or facilities of high value, or the protection of the environ-  
2 ment.”.

3 **SEC. 104. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT.**

4 The Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 is amended  
5 by inserting after section 4 the following new section:

6 **“SEC. 4A. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT.**

7 “(a) **FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.**—(1)(A) The obligations  
8 of the United States under Article 8 of and Annex I to  
9 the Protocol shall be implemented by applying the Na-  
10 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321  
11 et seq.) to proposals for Federal agency activities in Ant-  
12 arctica, as specified in this section.

13 “(B) The obligations contained in section 102(2)(C)  
14 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42  
15 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)) shall apply to all proposals for Federal  
16 agency activities occurring in Antarctica and affecting the  
17 quality of the human environment in Antarctica or de-  
18 pendent or associated ecosystems, only as specified in this  
19 section. For purposes of the application of such section  
20 102(2)(C) under this subsection, the term ‘significantly  
21 affecting the quality of the human environment’ shall have  
22 the same meaning as the term ‘more than a minor or tran-  
23 sitory impact’.

24 “(2)(A) Unless an agency which proposes to conduct  
25 a Federal activity in Antarctica determines that the activ-

1 ity will have less than a minor or transitory impact, or  
2 unless a comprehensive environmental evaluation is being  
3 prepared in accordance with subparagraph (C), the agency  
4 shall prepare an initial environmental evaluation in ac-  
5 cordance with Article 2 of Annex I to the Protocol.

6 “(B) If the agency determines, through the prepara-  
7 tion of the initial environmental evaluation, that the pro-  
8 posed Federal activity is likely to have no more than a  
9 minor or transitory impact, the activity may proceed if ap-  
10 propriate procedures are put in place to assess and verify  
11 the impact of the activity.

12 “(C) If the agency determines, through the prepara-  
13 tion of the initial environmental evaluation or otherwise,  
14 that a proposed Federal activity is likely to have more  
15 than a minor or transitory impact, the agency shall pre-  
16 pare and circulate a comprehensive environmental evalua-  
17 tion in accordance with Article 3 of Annex I to the Proto-  
18 col, and shall make such comprehensive environmental  
19 evaluation publicly available for comment.

20 “(3) Any agency decision under this section on  
21 whether a proposed Federal activity, to which paragraph  
22 (2)(C) applies, should proceed, and, if so, whether in its  
23 original or in a modified form, shall be based on the com-  
24 prehensive environmental evaluation as well as other con-

1 siderations which the agency, in the exercise of its discre-  
2 tion, considers relevant.

3 “(4) For the purposes of this section, the term ‘Fed-  
4 eral activity’ includes all activities conducted under a Fed-  
5 eral agency research program in Antarctica, whether or  
6 not conducted by a Federal agency.

7 “(b) FEDERAL ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT JOINTLY  
8 WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.—(1) For the purposes of  
9 this subsection, the term ‘Antarctic joint activity’ means  
10 any Federal activity in Antarctica which is proposed to  
11 be conducted, or which is conducted, jointly or in coopera-  
12 tion with one or more foreign governments. Such term  
13 shall be defined in regulations promulgated by such agen-  
14 cies as the President may designate.

15 “(2) Where the Secretary of State, in cooperation  
16 with the lead United States agency planning an Antarctic  
17 joint activity, determines that—

18 “(A) the major part of the joint activity is  
19 being contributed by a government or governments  
20 other than the United States;

21 “(B) one such government is coordinating the  
22 implementation of environmental impact assessment  
23 procedures for that activity; and

24 “(C) such government has signed, ratified, or  
25 acceded to the Protocol,

1 the requirements of subsection (a) of this section shall not  
2 apply with respect to that activity.

3 “(3) In all cases of Antarctic joint activity other than  
4 those described in paragraph (2), the requirements of sub-  
5 section (a) of this section shall apply with respect to that  
6 activity, except as provided in paragraph (4).

7 “(4) Determinations described in paragraph (2), and  
8 agency actions and decisions in connection with assess-  
9 ments of impacts of Antarctic joint activities, shall not be  
10 subject to judicial review.

11 “(c) NONGOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES.—(1) The Ad-  
12 ministrator shall, within 2 years after the date of the en-  
13 actment of the Antarctic Environmental Protection Act of  
14 1996, promulgate regulations to provide for—

15 “(A) the environmental impact assessment of  
16 nongovernmental activities, including tourism, for  
17 which the United States is required to give advance  
18 notice under paragraph 5 of Article VII of the Trea-  
19 ty; and

20 “(B) coordination of the review of information  
21 regarding environmental impact assessment received  
22 from other Parties under the Protocol.

23 “(2) Such regulations shall be consistent with Annex  
24 I to the Protocol.

1       “(d) DECISION TO PROCEED.—(1) No decision shall  
2 be taken to proceed with an activity for which a com-  
3 prehensive environmental evaluation is prepared under  
4 this section unless there has been an opportunity for con-  
5 sideration of the draft comprehensive environmental eval-  
6 uation at an Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting, ex-  
7 cept that no decision to proceed with a proposed activity  
8 shall be delayed through the operation of this paragraph  
9 for more than 15 months from the date of circulation of  
10 the draft comprehensive environmental evaluation pursu-  
11 ant to Article 3(3) of Annex I to the Protocol.

12       “(2) The Secretary of State shall circulate the final  
13 comprehensive environmental evaluation, in accordance  
14 with Article 3(6) of Annex I to the Protocol, at least 60  
15 days before the commencement of the activity in Antarc-  
16 tica.

17       “(e) CASES OF EMERGENCY.—The requirements of  
18 this section, and of regulations promulgated under this  
19 section, shall not apply in cases of emergency relating to  
20 the safety of human life or of ships, aircraft, or equipment  
21 and facilities of high value, or the protection of the envi-  
22 ronment, which require an activity to be undertaken with-  
23 out fulfilling those requirements.

24       “(f) EXCLUSIVE MECHANISM.—Notwithstanding any  
25 other provision of law, the requirements of this section



1 shall constitute the sole and exclusive statutory obligations  
 2 of the Federal agencies with regard to assessing the envi-  
 3 ronmental impacts of proposed Federal activities occur-  
 4 ring in Antarctica.

5 “(g) DECISIONS ON PERMIT APPLICATIONS.—The  
 6 provisions of this section requiring environmental impact  
 7 assessments (including initial environmental evaluations  
 8 and comprehensive environmental evaluations) shall not  
 9 apply to Federal actions with respect to issuing permits  
 10 under section 5.

11 “(h) PUBLICATION OF NOTICES.—Whenever the Sec-  
 12 retary of State makes a determination under paragraph  
 13 (2) of subsection (b) of this section, or receives a draft  
 14 comprehensive environmental evaluation in accordance  
 15 with Annex I, Article 3(3) to the Protocol, the Secretary  
 16 of State shall cause timely notice thereof to be published  
 17 in the Federal Register.”.

18 **SEC. 105. PERMITS.**

19 Section 5 of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978  
 20 (16 U.S.C. 2404) is amended—

- 21 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “section 4(a)”
- 22 and inserting in lieu thereof “section 4(b)”;
- 23 (2) in subsection (c)(1)(B) by striking “Spe-
- 24 cial” and inserting in lieu thereof “Species”; and
- 25 (3) in subsection (e)—

1           (A) by striking “or native plants to which  
2           the permit applies,” in paragraph (1)(A)(i) and  
3           inserting in lieu thereof “native plants, or na-  
4           tive invertebrates to which the permit applies,  
5           and”;

6           (B) by striking paragraph (1)(A) (ii) and  
7           (iii) and inserting in lieu thereof the following  
8           new clause:

9           “(ii) the manner in which the taking or  
10          harmful interference shall be conducted (which  
11          manner shall be determined by the Director to  
12          be humane) and the area in which it will be  
13          conducted;”;

14          (C) by striking “within Antarctica (other  
15          than within any specially protected area)” in  
16          paragraph (2)(A) and inserting in lieu thereof  
17          “or harmful interference within Antarctica”;

18          (D) by striking “specially protected spe-  
19          cies” in paragraph (2) (A) and (B) and insert-  
20          ing in lieu thereof “Specially Protected Spe-  
21          cies”;

22          (E) by striking “; and” at the end of para-  
23          graph (2)(A)(i)(II) and inserting in lieu thereof  
24          “ , or”;

1 (F) by adding after paragraph  
2 (2)(A)(i)(II) the following new subclause:

3 “(III) for unavoidable consequences of  
4 scientific activities or the construction and  
5 operation of scientific support facilities;  
6 and”;

7 (G) by striking “with Antarctica and” in  
8 paragraph (2)(A)(ii)(II) and inserting in lieu  
9 thereof “within Antarctica are”; and

10 (H) by striking subparagraphs (C) and (D)  
11 of paragraph (2) and inserting in lieu thereof  
12 the following new subparagraph:

13 “(C) A permit authorizing the entry into an  
14 Antarctic Specially Protected Area shall be issued  
15 only—

16 “(i) if the entry is consistent with an ap-  
17 proved management plan, or

18 “(ii) if a management plan relating to the  
19 area has not been approved but—

20 “(I) there is a compelling purpose for  
21 such entry which cannot be served else-  
22 where, and

23 “(II) the actions allowed under the  
24 permit will not jeopardize the natural eco-  
25 logical system existing in such area.”.

1   **SEC. 106. REGULATIONS.**

2           Section 6 of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978  
3   (16 U.S.C. 2405) is amended to read as follows:

4   **“SEC. 6. REGULATIONS.**

5           “(a) REGULATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE DIREC-  
6   TOR.—(1) The Director shall issue such regulations as are  
7   necessary and appropriate to implement Annex II and  
8   Annex V to the Protocol and the provisions of this Act  
9   which implement those annexes, including section 4(b) (2),  
10   (3), (4), and (5) of this Act. The Director shall designate  
11   as native species—

12           “(A) each species of the class Aves;

13           “(B) each species of the class Mammalia; and

14           “(C) each species of plant,

15   which is indigenous to Antarctica or which occurs there  
16   seasonally through natural migrations.

17           “(2) The Director, with the concurrence of the Ad-  
18   ministrators, shall issue such regulations as are necessary  
19   and appropriate to implement Annex III to the Protocol  
20   and the provisions of this Act which implement that  
21   Annex, including section 4(a) (1), (2), (3), and (4), and  
22   section 4(b)(1) of this Act.

23           “(3) The Director shall issue such regulations as are  
24   necessary and appropriate to implement Article 15 of the  
25   Protocol with respect to land areas and ice shelves in Ant-  
26   arctica.

1       “(4) The Director shall issue such additional regula-  
2 tions as are necessary and appropriate to implement the  
3 Protocol and this Act, except as provided in subsection (b).

4       “(b) REGULATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE SEC-  
5 RETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT IN WHICH THE COAST  
6 GUARD IS OPERATING.—The Secretary of the Depart-  
7 ment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall issue  
8 such regulations as are necessary and appropriate, in ad-  
9 dition to regulations issued under the Act to Prevent Pol-  
10 lution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.), to implement  
11 Annex IV to the Protocol and the provisions of this Act  
12 which implement that Annex, and, with the concurrence  
13 of the Director, such regulations as are necessary and ap-  
14 propriate to implement Article 15 of the Protocol with re-  
15 spect to vessels.

16       “(c) TIME PERIOD FOR REGULATIONS.—The regula-  
17 tions to be issued under subsection (a) (1) and (2) of this  
18 section shall be issued within 2 years after the date of  
19 the enactment of the Antarctic Environmental Protection  
20 Act of 1996. The regulations to be issued under subsection  
21 (a)(3) of this section shall be issued within 3 years after  
22 the date of the enactment of the Antarctic Environmental  
23 Protection Act of 1996.”.

1 **SEC. 107. SAVING PROVISIONS.**

2 Section 14 of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978  
3 is amended to read as follows:

4 **“SEC. 14. SAVING PROVISIONS.**

5 “(a) REGULATIONS.—All regulations promulgated  
6 under this Act prior to the date of the enactment of the  
7 Antarctic Environmental Protection Act of 1996 shall re-  
8 main in effect until superseding regulations are promul-  
9 gated under section 6.

10 “(b) PERMITS.—All permits issued under this Act  
11 shall remain in effect until they expire in accordance with  
12 the terms of those permits.”.

13 **TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO ANT-**  
14 **ARCTIC PROTECTION ACT OF**  
15 **1990**

16 **SEC. 201. FINDING AND PURPOSE.**

17 Section 2 of the Antarctic Protection Act of 1990 (16  
18 U.S.C. 2461) is amended to read as follows:

19 **“SEC. 2. FINDING AND PURPOSE.**

20 “(a) FINDING.—The Congress finds that the Protocol  
21 on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty pro-  
22 hibits indefinitely Antarctic mineral resource activities.

23 “(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to pro-  
24 vide legislative authority to implement, with respect to the  
25 United States, Article 7 of the Protocol on Environmental  
26 Protection to the Antarctic Treaty.”.

1 **SEC. 202. PROHIBITION OF ANTARCTIC MINERAL RE-**  
2 **SOURCE ACTIVITIES.**

3 Section 4 of the Antarctic Protection Act of 1990 (16  
4 U.S.C. 2463) is amended by striking “Pending a new  
5 agreement among the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Par-  
6 ties in force for the United States, to which the Senate  
7 has given advice and consent or which is authorized by  
8 further legislation by the Congress, which provides an in-  
9 definite ban on Antarctic mineral resource activities, it”  
10 and inserting in lieu thereof “It”.

11 **SEC. 203. ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS.**

12 (a) REPEALS.—Sections 5 and 7 of the Antarctic  
13 Protection Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 2464 and 2466) are  
14 repealed.

15 (b) REDESIGNATION.—Section 6 of the Antarctic  
16 Protection Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 2465) is redesignated  
17 as section 5.

18 **TITLE III—AMENDMENTS TO**  
19 **THE ACT TO PREVENT POLLU-**  
20 **TION FROM SHIPS**

21 **SEC. 301. AMENDMENTS.**

22 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 2 of the Act to Prevent  
23 Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901) is amended—

24 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through  
25 (10) of subsection (a) as paragraphs (3) through  
26 (12), respectively;

1           (2) by inserting before paragraph (3), as so re-  
2           designated by paragraph (1) of this subsection, the  
3           following new paragraphs:

4           “(1) ‘Antarctica’ means the area south of 60  
5           degrees south latitude;

6           “(2) ‘Antarctic Protocol’ means the Protocol on  
7           Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty,  
8           signed October 4, 1991, in Madrid, and all annexes  
9           thereto, and includes any future amendments thereto  
10          which have entered into force;” and

11          (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
12          section:

13          “(c) For the purposes of this Act, the requirements  
14          of Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol shall apply in Ant-  
15          arctica to all vessels over which the United States has ju-  
16          risdiction.”.

17          (b) APPLICATION OF ACT.—Section 3(b)(1)(B) of the  
18          Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C.  
19          1902(b)(1)(B)) is amended by inserting “or the Antarctic  
20          Protocol” after “MARPOL Protocol”.

21          (c) ADMINISTRATION.—Section 4 of the Act to Pre-  
22          vent Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1903) is amended—

23                  (1) by inserting “, Annex IV to the Antarctic  
24                  Protocol,” after “the MARPOL Protocol” in the  
25                  first sentence of subsection (a);



1           (2) in subsection (b)(1) by inserting “, Annex  
2       IV to the Antarctic Protocol,” after “the MARPOL  
3       Protocol”;

4           (3) in subsection (b)(2)(A) by striking “within  
5       1 year after the effective date of this paragraph,”;  
6       and

7           (4) in subsection (b)(2)(A)(i) by inserting “and  
8       of Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol” after “the  
9       Convention”.

10       (d) POLLUTION RECEPTION FACILITIES.—Section 6  
11 of the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C.  
12 1905) is amended—

13           (1) in subsection (b) by inserting “or the Ant-  
14       arctic Protocol” after “the MARPOL Protocol”;

15           (2) in subsection (e)(1) by inserting “or the  
16       Antarctic Protocol” after “the Convention”;

17           (3) in subsection (e)(1)(A) by inserting “or Ar-  
18       ticle 9 of Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol” after  
19       “the Convention”; and

20           (4) in subsection (f) by inserting “or the Ant-  
21       arctic Protocol” after “the MARPOL Protocol”.

22       (e) VIOLATIONS.—Section 8 of the Act to Prevent  
23 Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1907) is amended—

1           (1) in the first sentence of subsection (a) by in-  
2       serting “Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol,” after  
3       “MARPOL Protocol”;

4           (2) in the second sentence of subsection (a)—  
5               (A) by inserting “or to the Antarctic Pro-  
6       tocol” after “to the MARPOL Protocol”; and

7               (B) by inserting “and Annex IV to the  
8       Antarctic Protocol” after “of the MARPOL  
9       Protocol”;

10          (3) in subsection (b) by inserting “or the Ant-  
11       arctic Protocol” after “MARPOL Protocol” both  
12       places it appears;

13          (4) in subsection (c)(1) by inserting “, of Arti-  
14       cle 3 or Article 4 of Annex IV to the Antarctic Pro-  
15       tocol,” after “to the Convention”;

16          (5) in subsection (c)(2) by inserting “or the  
17       Antarctic Protocol” after “which the MARPOL Pro-  
18       tocol”;

19          (6) in subsection (c)(2)(A) by inserting “,  
20       Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol,” after  
21       “MARPOL Protocol”;

22          (7) in subsection (c)(2)(B)—

23               (A) by inserting “or the Antarctic Proto-  
24       col” after “to the MARPOL Protocol”; and

1 (B) by inserting “or Annex IV to the Ant-  
2 arctic Protocol” after “of the MARPOL Proto-  
3 col”;

4 (8) in subsection (d)(1) by inserting “, Article  
5 5 of Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol,” after  
6 “Convention”;

7 (9) in subsection (e)(1)—

8 (A) by inserting “or the Antarctic Proto-  
9 col” after “MARPOL Protocol”; and

10 (B) by striking “that Protocol” and insert-  
11 ing in lieu thereof “those Protocols”; and

12 (10) in subsection (e)(2) by inserting “, of  
13 Annex IV to the Antarctic Protocol,” after  
14 “MARPOL Protocol”.

15 (f) PENALTIES.—Section 9 of the Act to Prevent Pol-  
16 lution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1908) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (a) by inserting “Annex IV to  
18 the Antarctic Protocol,” after “MARPOL Proto-  
19 col,”;

20 (2) in subsection (b)(1) by inserting “Annex IV  
21 to the Antarctic Protocol,” after “MARPOL Proto-  
22 col,”;

23 (3) in subsection (b)(2) by inserting “Annex IV  
24 to the Antarctic Protocol,” after “MARPOL Proto-  
25 col,”;

1           (4) in subsection (d) by inserting “Annex IV to  
2     the Antarctic Protocol,” after “MARPOL Proto-  
3     col,”;

4           (5) in subsection (e) by inserting “, Annex IV  
5     to the Antarctic Protocol,” after “MARPOL Proto-  
6     col”; and

7           (6) in subsection (f) by inserting “or the Ant-  
8     arctic Protocol” after “MARPOL Protocol” both  
9     places it appears.

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