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To amend the Animal Welfare Act to strike the limitation that permits interstate movement of live birds, for the purpose of fighting, to States in which animal fighting is lawful.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 21, 2001

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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. INTERSTATE MOVEMENT OF ANIMALS FOR ANI-
- 4 **MAL FIGHTING.**
- 5 (a) Removal of Limitation.—Section 26 of the
- 6 Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2156) is amended by strik-
- 7 ing subsection (d) and inserting the following:
- 8 "(d) Activities Not Subject to Prohibition.—
- 9 This section does not apply to the selling, buying, trans-
- 10 porting, or delivery of animals in interstate or foreign
- 11 commerce for any purpose or purposes, so long as those
- 12 purposes do not include that of an animal fighting ven-
- 13 ture.".
- 14 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 15 subsection (a) takes effect on the date that is 30 days
- 16 after the date of enactment of this Act.