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114TH CONGRESS 2D Session



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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. STEFANIK 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 "Stamp Out Invasive

5 Species Act".

6 SEC. 2. COMBATING INVASIVE SPECIES SEMIPOSTAL.

7 (a) FINDING.—Congress finds that invasive species8 pose a serious threat to our natural ecosystems, signifi-

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cantly harm native plant and animal populations, and
 cause detrimental economic damage to local communities.

- 3 (b) SEMIPOSTAL.—In order to afford a convenient
 4 way for members of the public to contribute to programs
 5 that combat invasive species, the United States Postal
 6 Service shall issue a semipostal stamp in accordance with
 7 the provisions of this section. Such semipostal stamp shall
 8 be known as the "Combating Invasive Species Semipostal
 9 Stamp".
- 10 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The issuance and sale of the
 Combating Invasive Species Semipostal Stamp shall
 be governed by the provisions of section 416 of title
 39, United States Code, and regulations issued
 under such section, subject to the requirements of
 this subsection.
- 17 (2) DIFFERENTIAL RATE.—The differential in18 cluded in the rate of postage established for the
 19 Combating Invasive Species Semipostal Stamp under
 20 section 416(c) of such title may not exceed 25 per21 cent.
- (3) DURATION.—The Combating Invasive Species Semipostal Stamp shall be made available to the
 public for a period of 2 years, beginning not later

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than 12 months after the date of enactment of this
 Act.

3 (4) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—All amounts becoming available from the sale of the Combating 4 5 Invasive Species Semipostal Stamp (as determined 6 under section 416(d) of such title) shall be trans-7 ferred in equal proportion to the Department of the 8 Interior and the Department of Agriculture, for the 9 purpose described in subsection (a), through pay-10 ments which shall be made at least twice a year.

(d) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this Act, the term
"semipostal stamp" means a stamp described in section
416(a)(1) of such title.