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S. 1301

To prohibit the use of the poisons sodium fluoroacetate (known as “Compound 1080”) and sodium cyanide for predator control.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 2, 2019

Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. BOOKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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 “Chemical Poisons Re-
5 duction Act of 2019” or “Canyon’s Law”.

6 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

7 The purpose of this Act is to restrict the use of the
8 poisons sodium fluoroacetate (known as “Compound

1 1080”) and sodium cyanide to kill predatory animals due
2 to the risks posed by those poisons to—

- 3 (1) public safety;
- 4 (2) national security;
- 5 (3) the environment; and
- 6 (4) persons and other animals that come into
7 accidental contact with those poisons.

8 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON USE OF CERTAIN POISONS FOR**
9 **PREDATOR CONTROL.**

10 (a) DEFINITION OF PREDATOR CONTROL DEVICE.—

11 In this section, the term “predator control device”
12 means—

- 13 (1) a dispenser designed to propel sodium
14 fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide when activated by
15 an animal;
- 16 (2) a livestock protection collar designed to re-
17 lease sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide when
18 punctured by an animal;
- 19 (3) a gas cartridge or other pyrotechnic device
20 designed to emit sodium fluoroacetate or sodium cy-
21 anide fumes when activated by an animal; and
- 22 (4) any other means of dispensing sodium
23 fluoroacetate or sodium cyanide, including in the
24 form of capsules, for wildlife management or other
25 animal control purposes.

1 (b) PROHIBITION.—It shall be unlawful to use so-
2 dium fluoroacetate (known as “Compound 1080”) or so-
3 dium cyanide in a predator control device.

4 (c) PENALTY.—Any person that violates subsection
5 (b) shall be fined under title 18, United States Code, im-
6 prisoned for not more than 2 years, or both.

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