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H. R. 4871

To prevent Federal funds received under any grant from the National Institutes of Health from being used to obtain animals from animal shelters for research purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 1986

Mr. MRAZEK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 "Pet Protection Act of
5 1986".

6 SEC. 2. RESTRICTION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Federal funds received under any
8 grant or research protocol of the National Institutes of
9 Health may not be used to obtain or use any animal acquired

1 directly or indirectly from any animal shelter for any research
2 purpose.

3 (b) ANIMAL SHELTER DEFINED.—As used in subsec-
4 tion (a), the term “animal shelter” means any organization or
5 government agency which—

6 (1) cares for lost, stray, unwanted, abandoned, or
7 homeless animals; or

8 (2) is given custody of animals seized under State
9 or local law.

10 SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.

11 The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall pre-
12 scribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this
13 Act.

14 SEC. 4. PENALTY.

15 The violation of this Act or any regulation prescribed
16 under this Act in connection with any research project or
17 protocol shall result in the immediate termination of funds for
18 the project or research protocol.

19 SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

20 This Act shall apply with respect to funds appropriated
21 in any Act or joint resolution enacted after 6 months after the
22 date of the enactment of this Act.