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(Original Signature of Member)

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6302

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BERGMAN 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. REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE TAKING OF**
4 **DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANTS.**

5 (a) FORCE AND EFFECT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b),
7 sections 21.47 and 21.48 of title 50, Code of Fed-
8 eral Regulations (as in effect on January 1, 2016),
9 shall have the force and effect of law.

1 (2) PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Secretary of the In-
2 terior (referred to in this section as the “Sec-
3 retary”), acting through the Director of the United
4 States Fish and Wildlife Service (referred to in this
5 section as the “Director”), shall notify the public of
6 the authority provided by paragraph (1) in a manner
7 determined to be appropriate by the Secretary.

8 (b) SUNSET.—The authority provided by subsection
9 (a)(1) shall terminate on the effective date of a regulation
10 promulgated by the Director after the date of enactment
11 of this Act to control depredation of double-crested cor-
12 morant populations.

13 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
14 tion limits the authority of the Director to promulgate reg-
15 ulations relating to the taking of double-crested cor-
16 morants under any other law.