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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Kildee 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 Represen-
2 tatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ban Aquaculture in
5 the Great Lakes Act”.

6 SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON AQUACULTURE IN THE GREAT
7 LAKES.

8 (a) Prohibition.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
9 sion of law, a person shall not engage in aquaculture in
10 the Great Lakes.
(b) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of the Interior shall administer this section.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) AQUACULTURE.—The term “aquaculture” means the propagation or rearing (or both) of aquatic species in a controlled or selected environment. The term does not include any fish hatchery operated by a Federal or State agency.

(2) GREAT LAKES.—The term “Great Lakes” means Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, Lake Huron, Lake St. Clair, Lake Michigan, and Lake Superior, including the connecting waters thereof, to the extent that those lakes or waters, respectively, are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect at the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.