

Public Law 88-482

August 22, 1964
[H. R. 1839]

AN ACT

To provide for the free importation of certain wild animals, and to provide for the imposition of quotas on certain meat and meat products.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) item 852.20 of title I of the Tariff Act of 1930 (Tariff Schedules of the United States; 28 F.R., part II, August 17, 1963) is amended to read as follows:

852.20	Wild animals (including birds and fish) imported for use, or for sale for use, in any scientific public collection for exhibition for scientific or educational purposes.....	Free	Free
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(b) Headnote 1 of part 4 of schedule 8 of such title I is amended by striking out "item 850.50," and inserting in lieu thereof "items 850.50 and 852.20."

(c) The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the tenth day after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 2. (a) It is the policy of the Congress that the aggregate quantity of the articles specified in items 106.10 (relating to fresh, chilled, or frozen cattle meat) and 106.20 (relating to fresh, chilled, or frozen meat of goats and sheep (except lambs)) of the Tariff Schedules of the United States which may be imported into the United States in any calendar year beginning after December 31, 1964, should not exceed 725,400,000 pounds; except that this quantity shall be increased or decreased for any calendar year by the same percentage that estimated average annual domestic commercial production of these articles in that calendar year and the two preceding calendar years increases or decreases in comparison with the average annual domestic commercial production of these articles during the years 1959 through 1963, inclusive.

(b) The Secretary of Agriculture, for each calendar year after 1964, shall estimate and publish—

(1) before the beginning of such calendar year, the aggregate quantity prescribed for such calendar year by subsection (a), and

(2) before the first day of each calendar quarter in such calendar year, the aggregate quantity of the articles described in subsection (a) which (but for this section) would be imported in such calendar year.

In applying paragraph (2) for the second or any succeeding calendar quarter in any calendar year, actual imports for the preceding calendar quarter or quarters in such calendar year shall be taken into account to the extent data is available.

(c) (1) If the aggregate quantity estimated before any calendar quarter by the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant to subsection (b) (2) equals or exceeds 110 percent of the aggregate quantity estimated by him pursuant to subsection (b) (1), and if there is no limitation in effect under this section with respect to such calendar year, the President shall by proclamation limit the total quantity of the articles described in subsection (a) which may be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, during such calendar year, to the aggregate quantity estimated for such calendar year by the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant to subsection (b) (1).

(2) If the aggregate quantity estimated before any calendar quarter by the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant to subsection (b) (2) does not equal or exceed 110 percent of the aggregate quantity estimated by him pursuant to subsection (b) (1), and if a limitation is in effect under this section with respect to such calendar year, such limitation shall cease to apply as of the first day of such calendar quarter;

Wild birds and animals.
Free entry.
77A Stat. 420.
19 USC 1202.

Meat imports, limitation.

77A Stat. 20.
19 USC 1202.

Presidential proclamation.