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To amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection Act to provide that meat, poultry, and egg products containing certain pathogens or contaminants are adulterated, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. DELAURO (for herself and Ms. SLAUGHTER) 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. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Pathogen Reduction5 and Testing Reform Act of 2014".

1	SEC. 2. PRODUCTS CONTAINING CERTAIN PATHOGENS OR
2	CONTAMINANTS ADULTERATED.
3	(a) Meat and Meat Food Products.—Section
4	1(m) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C.
5	601(m)) is amended—
6	(1) in paragraph (1) —
7	(A) by inserting "or a microbial pathogen
8	that is associated with serious illness or death"
9	after "which may render it injurious to health";
10	and
11	(B) by inserting "or such a microbial
12	pathogen" after "added substance"; and
13	(2) in paragraph (2)—
14	(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B),
15	(C), and (D) as subparagraphs (C), (D), and
16	(E), respectively;
17	(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
18	the following new subparagraph:
19	"(B) if it bears or contains a strain of a micro-
20	bial pathogen, such as Campylobacter or Salmonella,
21	that is resistant to not less than two critically impor-
22	tant antibiotics for human medicine (as specified in
23	the World Health Organization's list of Critically
24	Important Antimicrobials);"; and
25	(C) in subparagraph (E) (as redesignated
26	by subparagraph (A)) by striking "clause (B),

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1	(C), or (D)" and inserting "this subparagraph
2	or subparagraph (C) or (D)".
3	(b) Poultry and Poultry Products.—Section
4	4(g) of the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C.
5	453(g)) is amended—
6	(1) in paragraph (1) —
7	(A) by inserting "or a microbial pathogen
8	that is associated with serious illness or death"
9	after "which may render it injurious to health";
10	and
11	(B) by inserting "or such a microbial
12	pathogen" after "added substance"; and
13	(2) in paragraph (2) —
14	(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B),
15	(C), and (D) as subparagraphs (C), (D), and
16	(E), respectively;
17	(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
18	the following new subparagraph:
19	"(B) if it bears or contains a strain of a micro-
20	bial pathogen, such as Campylobacter or Salmonella,
21	that is resistant to not less than two critically impor-
22	tant antibiotics for human medicine (as specified in
23	the World Health Organization's list of Critically
24	Important Antimicrobials);"; and

1	(C) in subparagraph (E) (as redesignated
2	by subparagraph (A)) by striking "clause (B),
3	(C), or (D)" and inserting "this subparagraph
4	or subparagraph (C) or (D)".
5	(c) EGGS AND EGG PRODUCTS.—Section 4(a) of the
6	Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1033(a)) is
7	amended—
8	(1) in paragraph (1) —
9	(A) by inserting "or a microbial pathogen
10	that is associated with serious illness or death"
11	after "which may render it injurious to health";
12	and
13	(B) by inserting "or such a microbial
14	pathogen" after "added substance"; and
15	(2) in paragraph (2) —
16	(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B),
17	(C), and (D) as subparagraphs (C), (D), and
18	(E), respectively;
19	(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
20	the following new subparagraph:
21	"(B) if it bears or contains a strain of a micro-
22	bial pathogen, such as Campylobacter or Salmonella,
23	that is resistant to not less than two critically impor-
24	tant antibiotics for human medicine (as specified in

1	the World Health Organization's list of Critically
2	Important Antimicrobials);"; and
3	(C) in subparagraph (E) (as redesignated
4	by subparagraph (A)) by striking "clause (B),
5	(C), or (D)" and inserting "this subparagraph
6	or subparagraph (C) or (D)".
7	SEC. 3. TESTING FOR CERTAIN PATHOGENS OR CONTAMI-
8	NANTS REQUIRED.
9	(a) Meat and Meat Food Products.—The Fed-
10	eral Meat Inspection Act is amended by inserting after
11	section 9 (21 U.S.C. 609) the following new section:
12	"SEC. 9A. TESTING FOR CERTAIN PATHOGENS OR CON-
13	TAMINANTS REQUIRED.
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 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 	"Not later than one year after the date of the enact- ment of this section, the Secretary shall, for purposes of examinations or inspections conducted under this Act, es- tablish sampling protocols and testing procedures using the methods and technologies the Secretary determines are most appropriate— "(1) to determine if meat and meat food prod-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	"Not later than one year after the date of the enact- ment of this section, the Secretary shall, for purposes of examinations or inspections conducted under this Act, es- tablish sampling protocols and testing procedures using the methods and technologies the Secretary determines are most appropriate— (1) to determine if meat and meat food prod- ucts are adulterated within the meaning of para-

(b) POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS.—The Poul try Products Inspection Act is amended by inserting after
 section 8 (21 U.S.C. 457) the following new section:

4 "SEC. 8A. TESTING FOR CERTAIN PATHOGENS OR CON-5 TAMINANTS REQUIRED.

6 "Not later than one year after the date of the enact-7 ment of this section, the Secretary shall, for purposes of 8 examinations or inspections conducted under this Act, es-9 tablish sampling protocols and testing procedures using 10 the methods and technologies the Secretary determines 11 are most appropriate—

"(1) to determine if poultry and poultry products are adulterated within the meaning of paragraph (1) or (2)(B) of section 4(g); and

15 "(2) to prevent the entry into or flow or move16 ment in commerce of, or the burdening of commerce
17 by, any such product that is determined to be so
18 adulterated.".

(c) EGG AND EGG PRODUCTS.—The Egg Products
Inspection Act is amended by inserting after section 7 (21
U.S.C. 1036) the following new section:

22 "SEC. 7A. TESTING FOR CERTAIN PATHOGENS OR CON23 TAMINANTS REQUIRED.

24 "Not later than one year after the date of the enact-25 ment of this section, the Secretary shall, for purposes of

examinations or inspections conducted under this Act, es tablish sampling protocols and testing procedures using
 the methods and technologies the Secretary determines
 are most appropriate—

- 5 "(1) to determine if eggs and egg products are
 6 adulterated within the meaning of paragraph (1) or
 7 (2)(B) of section 4(a); and
- 8 "(2) to prevent the entry into or flow or move-9 ment in commerce of, or the burdening of commerce 10 by, any such product that is determined to be so 11 adulterated.".

12 SEC. 4. REGULATIONS; EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 18 months after
the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
Agriculture shall issue regulations to carry out the amendments made by this Act.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
this Act shall apply with respect to meat and meat food
products, poultry and poultry products, and eggs and egg
products entering into interstate or foreign commerce on
or after the date of the enactment of this Act.