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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. GRIJALVA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ______________________________

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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 “Murder Hornet Eradi-
5    cation Act of 2020”.

(Original Signature of Member)
SEC. 2. MURDER HORNET ERADICATION PROGRAM.

(a) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Interior shall establish a program to provide financial assistance to States for management, research, and public education activities necessary to—

(1) eradicate the Asian giant hornet; and

(2) restore bee populations damaged by the Asian giant hornet.

(b) ELIGIBILITY.—A State is eligible to receive funds under this section if such State has demonstrated to the Secretary sufficient need for a program to implement measures to eradicate the Asian giant hornet.

(c) COST SHARING.—

(1) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the costs of the program may not exceed 75 percent of the total costs of the program.

(2) IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.—The non-Federal share of the costs of the program may be provided in the form of in-kind contributions of materials or services.

(d) LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Not more than 5 percent of financial assistance provided by the Secretary under this section may be used for administrative expenses.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For financial assistance under this section, there is authorized
to be appropriated to the Secretary $4,000,000 for each
of fiscal years 2021 through 2025.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ASIAN GIANT HORNET.—The term “Asian
giant hornet” means a *Vespa mandarinia*.

(2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
the Secretary of the Interior.

(3) STATE.—The term “State” means each of
the several States, the District of Columbia, and the
territories and insular possessions of the United
States.