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Proposed Amendment

SANDRA LEE, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

PART I

AMENDMENTS TO PATENTS ACT 1953

New clause 2B: To insert, after clause 2A, the following clause:

2B. Refusal of application in certain cases—Section 17 (1) of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding, after paragraph (c), the following paragraphs:

"(d) That the invention would endanger human, animal, or

plant life or health; or

"(e) That the invention would involve a serious prejudice to the environment; or

"(f) That the invention relates to diagnostic, therapeutic, and surgical methods for the treatment of humans or animals; or

"(g) That the invention relates to naturally occurring plants and animals other than micro-organisms; or

"(h) That the invention relates to essentially biological processes for the production of plants or animals other than non-biological and microbiological processes."

Clause 3: To omit clause 3.

Clause 82: To insert, after the word "employment," (line 19 on page 78), the word "wages,".