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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

AN ACT

To strike the word “lunatic” from Federal law, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “21st Century Lan-
3 guage Act of 2012”.

4 **SEC. 2. MODERNIZATION OF LANGUAGE REFERRING TO**
5 **PERSONS WHO ARE MENTALLY ILL.**

6 (a) WORDS DENOTING NUMBER, GENDER, AND SO
7 FORTH.—Section 1 of title 1, United States Code, is
8 amended—

9 (1) by striking “and ‘lunatic’”; and

10 (2) by striking “lunatic,”.

11 (b) BANKING LAW PROVISIONS.—

12 (1) TRUST POWERS.—The first section of the
13 Act entitled “An Act to place authority over the
14 trust powers of national banks in the Comptroller of
15 the Currency”, approved September 28, 1962 (12
16 U.S.C. 92a), is amended—

17 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “com-
18 mittee of estates of lunatics,”; and

19 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “com-
20 mittee of estates of lunatics”.

21 (2) CONSOLIDATION AND MERGERS OF
22 BANKS.—The National Bank Consolidation and
23 Merger Act (12 U.S.C. 215 et seq.) is amended—

24 (A) in section 2 (12 U.S.C. 215)—

1 (i) in subsection (e), by striking “re-
2 ceiver, and committee of estates of luna-
3 tics” and inserting “and receiver”; and

4 (ii) in subsection (f), by striking “re-
5 ceiver, or committee of estates of lunatics”
6 and inserting “or receiver”; and

7 (B) in section 3 (12 U.S.C. 215a)—

8 (i) in subsection (e), by striking “re-
9 ceiver, and committee of estates of luna-
10 tics” and inserting “and receiver”; and

11 (ii) in subsection (f), by striking “re-
12 ceiver, or committee of estates of lunatics”
13 and inserting “or receiver”.

Passed the Senate May 23, 2012.

Attest:

NANCY ERICKSON,

Secretary.