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To allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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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 "Patents for Humanity
- 5 Program Improvement Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. TRANSFERABILITY OF ACCELERATION CERTIFI-
- 7 CATES.
- 8 (a) In General.—A holder of an acceleration certifi-
- 9 cate issued pursuant to the Patents for Humanity Pro-

- 1 gram (established in the notice entitled "Humanitarian
- 2 Awards Pilot Program", published at 77 Fed. Reg. 6544
- 3 (February 8, 2012)), or any successor thereto, of the
- 4 United States Patent and Trademark Office, may transfer
- 5 (including by sale) the entitlement to such acceleration
- 6 certificate to another person.
- 7 (b) REQUIREMENT.—An acceleration certificate
- 8 transferred under subsection (a) shall be subject to any
- 9 other applicable limitations under the notice entitled "Hu-
- 10 manitarian Awards Pilot Program", published at 77 Fed.
- 11 Reg. 6544 (February 8, 2012), or any successor thereto.