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RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–48 TEXT OF HOUSE AMENDMENT TO THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 550

[Showing the text of H.R. 5543, No War Against Iran Act, as introduced, with modifications.]

In the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment of the Senate, strike sections 1, 2, and 3 and insert the following:

1 TITLE I—NO WAR AGAINST IRAN

ACT 2 SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE. 4 This title may be cited as the "No War Against Iran Act". 5 SEC. 102. PROHIBITION OF UNAUTHORIZED MILITARY 7 FORCE IN OR AGAINST IRAN. 8 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following: 9 (1) The acquisition by the Government of Iran 10 of a nuclear weapon would pose a grave threat to 11 international peace and stability and the national se-12 curity of the United States and United States allies, 13 including Israel.

1	(2) The Government of Iran is a leading state
2	sponsor of terrorism, continues to materially support
3	the regime of Bashar al-Assad, and is responsible
4	for ongoing gross violations of the human rights of
5	the people of Iran.
6	(3) Article I of the United States Constitution
7	requires the President to obtain authorization from
8	Congress before engaging in war with Iran.
9	(b) CLARIFICATION OF CURRENT LAW.—Nothing in
10	the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law
11	107–40; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), the Authorization for Use
12	of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public
13	Law 107–243; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), or any other provi-
14	sion of law enacted before the date of the enactment of
15	this Act may be construed to provide authorization for the
16	use of military force against Iran.
17	(c) Prohibition of Unauthorized Military
18	FORCE IN OR AGAINST IRAN.—
19	(1) In general.—Except as provided in para-
20	graph (2), no Federal funds may be obligated or ex-
21	pended for any use of military force in or against
22	Iran unless Congress has—
23	(A) declared war; or
24	(B) enacted specific statutory authoriza-
25	tion for such use of military force after the date

1	of the enactment of this Act that meets the re-
2	quirements of the War Powers Resolution (50
3	U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).
4	(2) Exception.—The prohibition under para-
5	graph (1) shall not apply to a use of military force
6	that is consistent with section (2)(e) of the War
7	Powers Resolution.
8	(d) Rules of Construction.—Nothing in this title
9	may be construed—
10	(1) to prevent the President from using nec-
11	essary and appropriate force to defend United States
12	allies and partners if Congress enacts specific statu-
13	tory authorization for such use of force consistent
14	with the requirements of the War Powers Resolution
15	(50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.);
16	(2) to relieve the executive branch of restric-
17	tions on the use of force, reporting, or consultation
18	requirements set forth in the War Powers Resolution
19	(50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.); or
20	(3) to authorize the use of military force.

