Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 6930, with an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

^{117TH CONGRESS} 2D SESSION H.R.6930

To authorize the confiscation of assets subject to United States jurisdiction of certain foreign persons, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2022

Mr. MALINOWSKI (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. MEIJER, Mr. COHEN, Mr. BANKS, Ms. WILD, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. KILDEE, and Mr. CURTIS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

- To authorize the confiscation of assets subject to United States jurisdiction of certain foreign persons, 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,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Asset Seizure for
- 5 Ukraine Reconstruction Act".

1 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

2 It is the sense of Congress as follows:

(1) The President should take all constitutional
steps to seize and confiscate assets under the jurisdiction of the United States of foreign persons
whose wealth is derived in part through corruption
linked to or political support for the regime of Russian President Vladimir Putin and with respect to
which the President has imposed sanctions.

10 (2) The President, by means of instructions, li-11 censes, or other regulations as may be promulgated 12 and in a manner consistent with due process of law, 13 should confiscate any property or accounts subject to 14 the jurisdiction of the United States, valued over 15 \$2,000,000, and belonging to Russian energy com-16 panies or to foreign persons whose wealth is derived 17 in part through corruption linked to or political sup-18 port for the regime of Russian President Vladimir 19 Putin and with respect to which the President has 20 imposed sanctions.

(3) All rights, title, and interest in any property
so confiscated should vest, upon the terms directed
by the President, in such agency or person as the
President may designate from time to time, and
upon such terms and conditions as the President
may prescribe.

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1	(4) Such interest or property should be held,
2	used, administered, liquidated, or sold, by such
3	agency or person and such designated agency or per-
4	son should perform any and all acts incident to the
5	accomplishment or furtherance of these purposes.
6	(5) The President should use all liquidated
7	funds for the benefit of the people of Ukraine, in-
8	cluding for the following:
9	(A) Post-conflict reconstruction in
10	Ukraine.
11	(B) Humanitarian assistance.
12	(C) United States government assistance
13	provided to the security forces of the govern-
14	ment of Ukraine.
15	(D) Provisions to support refugees and ref-
16	ugee resettlement in neighboring countries and
17	in the United States.
18	(E) Technology items and services to en-
19	sure the free flow of information to the Ukrain-
20	ian people in Ukraine, including items to
21	counter internet censorship by Russian authori-
22	ties, to circumvent efforts to shut down internet
23	or communication services by Russian authori-
24	ties and bolster the cybersecurity capabilities of

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1	Ukrainian Government or non-governmental or-
2	ganizations.

3 (F) Humanitarian and development assist4 ance for the Russian people, including democ5 racy and human rights programming and moni6 toring.

7 SEC. 3. INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.

8 The President shall establish an interagency working 9 group, which shall be headed by the Secretary of State, 10 to determine the constitutional mechanisms through which the President can take steps to seize and confiscate assets 11 12 under the jurisdiction of the United States of foreign per-13 sons whose wealth is derived in part through corruption linked to or political support for the regime of Russian 14 15 President Vladimir Putin and with respect to which the President has imposed sanctions. 16

17 SEC. 4. REPORT ON STEPS AND AUTHORITIES.

18 Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, on behalf of the 19 interagency working group, shall submit to the Committee 2021 on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and 22 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a re-23 port about the steps taken by the interagency working 24 group to accomplish the steps laid out in section 2, a re-25 port that includes any recommendations to impose addi $\mathbf{5}$

tional energy-related sanctions on the Government of Rus sia, and a report on any additional authorities the Presi dent needs to take such steps.

4 SEC. 5. EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO MEM-

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BERS OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT.

6 Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-7 ment of this Act, the President shall submit to the Com-8 mittee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives 9 and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate 10 a report, which may be submitted in classified form if necessary, that contains a justification for any determination 11 12 of whether or not, in addition to the sanctions imposed 13 pursuant to Executive Order 14024 (86 Fed. Reg. 73; relating to blocking property with respect to specified 11 14 15 harmful foreign activities of the Government of the Russian Federation), imposing sanctions on 328 members of 16 the Russian State Duma, a determination as to whether 17 remaining members of the Duma and the Russian Federa-18 tion Council, which includes officials who may be involved 19 20in corrupt and other sanctionable activities, who voted on 21February 22, 2022, to recognize the Donetsk People's Re-22 public (DPR) and the Luhansk People's Republic (LPR), 23 as well as the Russian Federation Council in its entirety, 24 should be subject to sanctions under the such Executive Order. 25

1 SEC. 6. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.

2 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, 3 4 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement titled "Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation" for this 5 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record 6 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-7 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the 8 vote on passage. 9