

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300
OFFERED BY MR. SHERMAN OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . ENHANCED IRAN SANCTIONS ACT OF 2025.**

2 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
3 United States—

4 (1) that, in accordance with the Iran Nuclear 2
5 Weapons Capability and Terrorism Monitoring Act
6 of 2022 (22 U.S.C. 8701 note; Public Law 117–
7 4263), the United States must—

8 (A) ensure that the Islamic Republic of
9 Iran does not acquire a nuclear weapons capa-
10 bility;

11 (B) protect against aggression from the Is-
12 lamic Republic of Iran manifested through its
13 missiles and drone programs; and

14 (C) counter regional and global terrorism
15 of the Islamic Republic of Iran in a manner
16 that minimizes the threat posed by state and
17 non-state actors to the interests of the United
18 States;

19 (2) to fully enforce sanctions against all persons
20 involved in the international logistical chain that

1 provide support to the energy sector of the Islamic
2 Republic of Iran;

3 (3) through such sanctions, to deny the Islamic
4 Republic of Iran the financial resources required—

5 (A) to fund and facilitate international ter-
6 rorism;

7 (B) to finance the development of weapons
8 of mass destruction;

9 (C) to engage in destabilizing efforts
10 abroad; and

11 (D) to repress the rights of Iranian citi-
12 zens; and

13 (4) to strengthen coherence among members of
14 the international community in enforcing sanctions
15 on the malign activity of the Islamic Republic of
16 Iran.

17 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) ADMITTED; ALIEN.—The terms “admitted”
19 and “alien” have the meanings given those terms in
20 section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
21 Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)).

22 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
23 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
24 mittees” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations,
2 the Committee on the Judiciary, and the Com-
3 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
4 of the Senate; and

5 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
6 Committee on the Judiciary, and the Com-
7 mittee on Financial Services of the House of
8 Representatives.

9 (3) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
10 son” means a person that is not a United States
11 person, including the government of a foreign coun-
12 try.

13 (4) KNOWINGLY.—The term “knowingly”, with
14 respect to conduct, a circumstance, or a result,
15 means that a person has actual knowledge, or should
16 have known, of the conduct, the circumstance, or the
17 result.

18 (5) PROPERTY; INTEREST IN PROPERTY.—The
19 terms “property” and “interest in property” have
20 the meanings given the terms “property” and “prop-
21 erty interest”, respectively, in section 576.312 of
22 title 31, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on
23 the day before the date of the enactment of this Act.

24 (6) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
25 “United States person” means—

1 (A) an individual who is a United States
2 citizen or an alien lawfully admitted for perma-
3 nent residence to the United States;

4 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
5 the United States or any jurisdiction within the
6 United States, including a foreign branch of
7 such an entity; or

8 (C) any person in the United States.

9 (c) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO
10 PERSONS ENGAGED IN LOGISTICAL TRANSACTIONS OF
11 OIL, GAS, LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS, AND PETRO-
12 CHEMICAL PRODUCTS FROM THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF
13 IRAN.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of the
15 enactment of this Act, the President shall impose
16 the sanctions described in paragraph (2) with re-
17 spect to any foreign person, including any bank or
18 foreign financial institution, insurance provider, flag-
19 ging registry, pipeline construction or operation fa-
20 cility for liquefied natural gas, that—

21 (A) the President determines knowingly
22 engaged in, on or after such date of enactment,
23 any transaction involved in, relating or incident
24 to the processing, export, or sale of oil, conden-
25 sates, gas, liquefied natural gas, or other petro-

1 chemical products in whole or in part from the
2 Islamic Republic of Iran;

3 (B) is a subsidiary, successor, or alias of
4 a foreign person described in subparagraph (A);

5 (C)(i) directly or indirectly owns or con-
6 trols a 50 percent or greater interest in or is
7 owned or controlled by a 50 percent or greater
8 interest of a foreign person or foreign persons
9 subject to sanctions pursuant to subparagraph
10 (A) or (B); and

11 (ii) directly or indirectly conducts a
12 significant transaction with, for, or on be-
13 half of a foreign person described in para-
14 graph (1), (2), or (3) of section 3(b) of the
15 Stop Harboring Iranian Petroleum Act (22
16 U.S.C. 8572);

17 (D) the President determines is a cor-
18 porate officer of a foreign person described sub-
19 paragraph (A), (B), or (C); or

20 (E) is an immediate family member of a
21 foreign person described in subparagraph (A),
22 (B), or (C).

23 (2) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-
24 scribed in this paragraph are the following:

1 (A) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The Presi-
2 dent shall, pursuant to the International Emer-
3 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et
4 seq.), block and prohibit all transactions in
5 property and interests in property of a foreign
6 person subject to sanctions pursuant to para-
7 graph (1) if such property and interests in
8 property are in the United States, come within
9 the United States, or are or come within the
10 possession or control of a United States person.

11 (B) ALIENS INADMISSIBLE FOR VISAS, AD-
12 MISSION, OR PAROLE.—

13 (i) VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—

14 In the case of an alien subject to sanctions
15 pursuant to paragraph (1), the alien is—

16 (I) inadmissible to the United
17 States;

18 (II) ineligible to receive a visa or
19 other documentation to enter the
20 United States; and

21 (III) otherwise ineligible to be
22 admitted or paroled into the United
23 States or to receive any other benefit
24 under the Immigration and Nation-
25 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

1 (ii) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

2 (I) IN GENERAL.—The visa or
3 other entry documentation of an alien
4 described in clause (i) shall be re-
5 voked, regardless of when such visa or
6 other entry documentation was issued.

7 (II) IMMEDIATE EFFECT.—A rev-
8 ocation under clause (I) shall take ef-
9 fect immediately and automatically
10 cancel any other valid visa or entry
11 documentation that is in the alien’s
12 possession.

13 (3) EXCEPTIONS.—

14 (A) EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTA-
15 TION OF GOODS.—

16 (i) IN GENERAL.—The requirement to
17 impose sanctions under this section shall
18 not include the authority or a requirement
19 to impose sanctions on the importation of
20 goods.

21 (ii) GOOD DEFINED.—In this para-
22 graph, the term “good” means any article,
23 natural or manmade substance, material,
24 supply, or manufactured product, including

1 inspection and test equipment, and exclud-
2 ing technical data.

3 (B) EXCEPTION TO COMPLY WITH INTER-
4 NATIONAL OBLIGATIONS AND LAW ENFORCE-
5 MENT ACTIVITIES.—Sanctions under paragraph
6 (2)(B) shall not apply with respect to an alien
7 if admitting or paroling the alien into the
8 United States is necessary—

9 (i) to permit the United States to
10 comply with the Agreement regarding the
11 Headquarters of the United Nations,
12 signed at Lake Success June 26, 1947,
13 and entered into force November 21, 1947,
14 between the United Nations and the
15 United States, or other applicable inter-
16 national obligations; or

17 (ii) to carry out or assist authorized
18 law enforcement activity in the United
19 States.

20 (C) EXCEPTION FOR HUMANITARIAN AS-
21 SISTANCE.—

22 (i) IN GENERAL.—Sanctions under
23 this section shall not apply to—

24 (I) the conduct or facilitation of
25 a transaction for the provision of agri-

1 cultural commodities, food, medicine,
2 medical devices, or humanitarian as-
3 sistance, or for humanitarian pur-
4 poses; or

5 (II) transactions that are nec-
6 essary for or related to the activities
7 described in clause (I).

8 (ii) DEFINITIONS.—In this para-
9 graph—

10 (I) the term “agricultural com-
11 modity” has the meaning given that
12 term in section 102 of the Agricul-
13 tural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C.
14 5602);

15 (II) the term “medical device”
16 has the meaning given the term “de-
17 vice” in section 201 of the Federal
18 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21
19 U.S.C. 321); and

20 (III) the term “medicine” has
21 the meaning given the term “drug” in
22 section 201 of the Federal Food,
23 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
24 321).

1 (D) EXCEPTION FOR SAFETY OF VESSELS
2 AND CREW.—Sanctions under this section shall
3 not apply with respect to a person providing
4 provisions to a vessel otherwise subject to sanc-
5 tions under this section if such provisions are
6 intended for the safety and care of the crew
7 aboard the vessel, the protection of human life
8 aboard the vessel, or the maintenance of the
9 vessel to avoid any environmental or other sig-
10 nificant damage.

11 (4) WAIVER.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—The President may, on
13 a case-by-case basis for a period of not more
14 than 180 days, waive the application of sanc-
15 tions imposed with respect to a foreign person
16 under this section if the President—

17 (i) certifies to the appropriate con-
18 gressional committees that the waiver is
19 vital to the national interests of the United
20 States; and

21 (ii) submits with the certification re-
22 quired under clause (i) a detailed justifica-
23 tion explaining the reasons for the waiver.

24 (B) RENEWAL OF WAIVER.—The President
25 may, on a case-by-case basis, renew a waiver

1 issued under subparagraph (A) for additional
2 periods of not more than 180 days if the Presi-
3 dent—

4 (i) determines that the renewal of the
5 waiver is vital to the national interests of
6 the United States; and

7 (ii) not less than 15 days before the
8 waiver expires, submits to the appropriate
9 congressional committees a report on the
10 renewal of the waiver that includes—

11 (I) a justification for the renewal
12 of the waiver; and

13 (II) a detailed plan to phase out
14 the need for any such waiver issued
15 with respect to such foreign person.

16 (5) IMPLEMENTATION; PENALTIES.—

17 (A) IMPLEMENTATION.—The President
18 may exercise all authorities provided under sec-
19 tions 203 and 205 of the International Emer-
20 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702
21 and 1704) to carry out paragraph (2)(A).

22 (B) PENALTIES.—A person that violates,
23 attempts to violate, conspires to violate, or
24 causes a violation of paragraph (2)(A) or any
25 regulation, license, or order issued to carry out

1 that subsection shall be subject to the penalties
2 set forth in subsections (b) and (c) of section
3 206 of the International Emergency Economic
4 Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1705) to the same ex-
5 tent as a person that commits an unlawful act
6 described in subsection (a) of that section.

7 (6) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—(A) Paragraph
8 (1)(C)(i) shall be construed to be consistent with
9 Frequently Asked Questions 398 through 402, pub-
10 lished by the Office of Foreign Assets Control on
11 August 11, 2020, and August 13, 2014, or any suc-
12 cessors to such frequently asked questions.

13 (B) For purposes of determinations under
14 paragraph (1) that a foreign person engaged in
15 activities described in such paragraph, a foreign
16 person shall not be determined to know that pe-
17 troleum or petroleum products originated from
18 Iran if such person relied on a certificate of ori-
19 gin or other documentation confirming that the
20 origin of the petroleum or petroleum products
21 was a country other than Iran, unless such per-
22 son knew or had reason to know that such doc-
23 umentation was falsified.

24 (C) Nothing in this section may be con-
25 strued to affect the availability of any existing

1 authorities to issue waivers, exceptions, exemp-
2 tions, licenses, or other authorization.

3 (d) INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP ON IRANIAN
4 SANCTIONS.—

5 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
7 retary of State shall establish a working group to be
8 known as the “Interagency Working Group on Ira-
9 nian Sanctions” (referred to in this subsection as
10 the “Working Group”).

11 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The Working Group shall
12 be composed one or more representatives from each
13 of the following:

14 (A) The Department of State.

15 (B) The Department of the Treasury.

16 (C) The Department of Justice. Such
17 other Federal departments or agencies as the
18 Secretary of State determines appropriate.

19 (3) CHAIR.—The President shall designate a
20 Chair of the Working Group.

21 (4) MULTILATERAL CONTACT GROUP.—

22 (A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Working
23 Group shall endeavor to establish a multilateral
24 contact group with like-minded nations to co-
25 ordinate international efforts to enforce sanc-

1 tions imposed with respect to the Islamic Re-
2 public of Iran.

3 (B) DUTIES.—The multilateral contact
4 group shall—

5 (i) share information on evolving
6 sanctions frameworks to identify areas of
7 difference or enforcement gaps;

8 (ii) share information on newly-des-
9 ignated entities;

10 (iii) raise awareness of new sanctions
11 evasion practices; and

12 (iv) coordinate on new measures to
13 curb Iranian malign activity, including ura-
14 nium enrichment activities, ballistic missile
15 production, and support for terrorism.

16 (e) PRIVATE SECTOR REPORTING ON PERSONS EN-
17 GAGED IN SANCTIONABLE ACTIVITIES OR SANCTIONS
18 EVASION.—Section 36(b) of the State Department Basic
19 Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2708(b)) is amend-
20 ed—

21 (1) in paragraph (13), by striking “; or” and
22 inserting a semicolon;

23 (2) in paragraph (14), by striking the period at
24 the end and inserting “; or”; and

1 (3) by adding at the end the following para-
2 graph:

3 “(15) the identification a person described in
4 section 4(a) of the Enhanced Iran Sanctions Act of
5 2025 or any person that has attempted or is at-
6 tempting to evade sanctions imposed under such Act
7 with proceeds generated by the sale of intercepted
8 oil, gas, liquefied natural gas, petrochemical prod-
9 ucts, or related products from the Islamic Republic
10 of Iran.”.

