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118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. _____

To prohibit the importation into the United States of unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M____. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

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 “Prohibiting Russian
5 Uranium Imports Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE USEC PRIVATIZATION ACT.**

2 (a) PROHIBITION ON IMPORTS.—Section 3112A of
3 the USEC Privatization Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a) is
4 amended by adding at the end the following:

5 “(d) PROHIBITION ON IMPORTS OF LOW-ENRICHED
6 URANIUM.—

7 “(1) PROHIBITION.—Beginning on the date
8 that is 90 days after the date of enactment of this
9 subsection, and subject to paragraphs (2) and (3),
10 no unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is pro-
11 duced in the Russian Federation may be imported
12 into the United States.

13 “(2) WAIVER.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
15 graph (B), the Secretary of Energy, in con-
16 sultation with the Secretary of State and the
17 Secretary of Commerce, may waive application
18 of paragraph (1) to authorize the importation
19 of unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is
20 produced in the Russian Federation if the Sec-
21 retary of Energy determines that—

22 “(i) no alternative viable source of
23 low-enriched uranium is available to sus-
24 tain the continued operation of a nuclear
25 reactor or a United States nuclear energy
26 company; or

1 “(ii) importation of low-enriched ura-
2 nium that is produced in the Russian Fed-
3 eration is in the national interest.

4 “(B) LIMITATION ON AMOUNTS OF IM-
5 PORTS OF LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM.—

6 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The importation
7 into the United States of low-enriched ura-
8 nium, including low-enriched uranium ob-
9 tained under contracts for separative work
10 units, that is produced in the Russian Fed-
11 eration, whether or not such low-enriched
12 uranium is derived from highly enriched
13 uranium of weapons origin, may not ex-
14 ceed—

15 “(I) in calendar year 2023,
16 578,877 kilograms;

17 “(II) in calendar year 2024,
18 476,536 kilograms;

19 “(III) in calendar year 2025,
20 470,376 kilograms;

21 “(IV) in calendar year 2026,
22 464,183 kilograms; and

23 “(V) in calendar year 2027,
24 459,083 kilograms.

1 “(ii) TERMINATION.—Any waiver
2 issued under this subsection shall termi-
3 nate not later than January 1, 2028.

4 “(C) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of
5 Commerce shall—

6 “(i) administer the import limitations
7 described in subparagraph (B) in accord-
8 ance with the provisions of the Suspension
9 Agreement, including the provisions de-
10 scribed in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i);

11 “(ii) be responsible for enforcing the
12 import limitations described in subpara-
13 graph (B); and

14 “(iii) enforce the import limitations
15 described in subparagraph (B) in a man-
16 ner that imposes a minimal burden on the
17 commercial nuclear industry.

18 “(D) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Upon
19 issuing a waiver under subparagraph (A), the
20 Secretary of Energy shall submit to the Com-
21 mittee on Energy and Commerce of the House
22 of Representatives, the Committee on Ways and
23 Means of the House of Representatives, and the
24 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of
25 the Senate a notification that a waiver has been

1 issued, which shall include identification of the
2 recipient of the waiver.

3 “(3) APPLICABILITY.—This subsection does not
4 apply to imports—

5 “(A) by or under contract to the Depart-
6 ment of Energy for national security or non-
7 proliferation purposes, as determined by the
8 Secretary of Energy in consultation with the
9 Secretary of State and the Secretary of Com-
10 merce; or

11 “(B) of non-uranium isotopes.

12 “(4) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this
13 subsection shall terminate on December 31, 2040.”.

14 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3112A(c) of the
16 USEC Privatization Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a(c))
17 is amended—

18 (A) in paragraph (2)(A)—

19 (i) in clause (viii), by inserting “and”
20 after the semicolon at the end;

21 (ii) in clause (ix), by striking the
22 semicolon and inserting a period; and

23 (iii) by striking clauses (x) through
24 (xxvii);

25 (B) by striking paragraph (5);

1 (C) in paragraph (6), by striking “In addi-
2 tion to the adjustment under paragraph (5)(A),
3 the” and inserting “The”; and

4 (D) in paragraph (9), by striking “Decem-
5 ber 31, 2040” and inserting “the date described
6 in subsection (d)(1)”.

7 (2) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment to sec-
8 tion 3112A(c)(2)(A)(x) of the USEC Privatization
9 Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a(c)(2)(A)(x)) made by
10 paragraph (1)(A) of this subsection shall take effect
11 on the date that is 90 days after the date of enact-
12 ment of this Act.

13 **SEC. 3. AMOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR THE AMERICAN AS-**
14 **SURED FUEL SUPPLY.**

15 Of the amounts made available to carry out the civil
16 nuclear credit program established under section 40323(b)
17 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (42 U.S.C.
18 18753(b)), not more than \$1,500,000,000 may also be
19 made available for purposes of the American Assured Fuel
20 Supply of the Department of Energy.