Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 8419 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}\mathsf{F}\mathsf{F}\mathsf{E}\mathsf{R}\mathsf{E}\mathsf{D}}\mathsf{B}\mathsf{Y}\mathsf{M}$.

Strike all that follows after the enacting clause, and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the "American Victims of3 Terrorism Compensation Act".

4 SEC. 2. TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNDS INTO UNITED
5 STATES VICTIMS OF STATE SPONSORED TER6 RORISM FUND.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404 of the Justice for
8 United States Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act
9 (34 U.S.C. 20144) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (d)(4), by adding at the end11 the following:

"(E) FIFTH-ROUND PAYMENTS.—The Special Master shall authorize fifth-round payments to satisfy eligible claims under this section not later than November 15, 2024. All authorized payments shall be distributed to eligible claimants not later than December 31,
2024, or, if an eligible claimant has not pro-

1	vided the Special Master with the payment in-
2	formation required for distribution, as soon as
3	practicable after the date of receipt by the Spe-
4	cial Master of such information."; and
5	(2) in subsection $(e)(2)$, by adding at the end
6	the following:
7	"(C) CERTAIN ASSIGNED AND FORFEITED
8	ASSETS.—
9	"(i) BINANCE HOLDINGS LIMITED.—
10	The funds and the net proceeds from the
11	sale of property, forfeited or paid to the
12	United States as a criminal penalty or fine
13	arising from or in connection with the plea
14	agreement in the proceedings captioned as
15	United States v. Binance Holdings Limited,
16	No. 2:23-cr-00178 (RAJ) (W.D. Wash.
17	filed Nov. 14, 2023), plus all interest
18	earned on those amounts from the date of
19	such forfeiture or payment.
20	"(ii) TIMING.—An agency of the
21	United States shall deposit or transfer into
22	the Fund any amount paid by a defendant
23	in such proceedings pursuant to clause (i)
24	not later than the later of—

1	"(I) 30 days after the receipt of
2	each amount or payment by the agen-
3	cy; or
4	"(II) 15 days after the date of
5	enactment of this subparagraph.
6	"(iii) DOJ ASSETS FORFEITURE
7	FUND.—Fifty percent of the excess unobli-
8	gated balance of the Department of Justice
9	Assets Forfeiture Fund established under
10	section $524(c)(1)$ of that title, determined
11	on the later of January 31, or the date of
12	enactment of a final appropriations act for
13	each fiscal year, to be transferred annually
14	thereafter within 30 days of such deter-
15	mination, plus fifty percent of any interest
16	amount earned on the investment of any
17	balance of the Assets Forfeiture Fund as
18	of December 1. <i>Provided</i> , That no transfer
19	pursuant to this subparagraph shall count
20	against any limitation on the use of such
21	excess unobligated balances as provided in
22	an annual appropriations act or other leg-
23	islation.
24	"(iv) TREASURY FORFEITURE

FUND.—Fifty percent of the excess unobli-

1	gated balance of the Department of the
2	Treasury Forfeiture Fund established
3	under section 9705 of title 31, United
4	States Code, determined on the later of
5	January 31, or the date of enactment of a
6	final appropriations act for each fiscal
7	year, to be transferred annually thereafter
8	within 30 days of such determination, plus
9	fifty percent of any interest amount earned
10	on the investment of any balance of the
11	Treasury Forfeiture Fund as of December
12	1. Provided, That no transfer pursuant to
13	this subparagraph shall count against any
14	limitation on the use of such excess unobli-
15	gated balances as provided in an annual
16	appropriations act or other legislation.
17	"(v) DEFINITION.—In this subpara-
18	graph:
19	"(I) IN GENERAL.—The term
20	'excess unobligated balance' with re-
21	spect to a fund, means the difference
22	between—
23	"(aa) the unobligated bal-
24	ance of the fund, as of the dates

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specified in clause (ii) and clause (iii); and "(bb) the amount that is required to be retained in the fund to ensure the availability of amounts in the fiscal year after the fiscal year described in clauses (ii) and (iii) for the pur-

9 poses for which amounts in the10 fund are authorized to be used.

11 "(II) EXCLUSION OF **RESCIS-**12 SIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR AFTER DE-13 TERMINATION OF AMOUNT.—For pur-14 poses of subclause (I)(aa), the amount 15 of the unobligated balance of a fund, 16 as of September 30 of a fiscal year, 17 shall be determined without regard to 18 any rescission of amounts in the fund 19 for the next fiscal year included in an 20 appropriation Act referred to in sec-21 tion 105 of title 1, United States 22 Code, including any anticipated or po-23 tential rescission and any rescission 24 given continuing effect for such next 25 fiscal year under an act making con-

tinuing appropriations for such next
 fiscal year.

3 "(vi) INTEREST.—All interest earned
4 on any amount deposited or to be depos5 ited into the Fund pursuant to this Act
6 following receipt of such amount by any
7 agency of the United States, including all
8 interest earned on the amounts referenced
9 in clause (i).".

10 (b)RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in the amendments made by subsection (a) shall be construed to 11 12 harm, jeopardize, or impair any amounts identified for equitable sharing with law enforcement or previously court-13 ordered restitution owed to a direct crime victim of an of-14 15 fense in a matter or proceeding from which amounts are to be deposited into the Fund pursuant to section 16 17 404(e)(2)(C)(i) of the Justice for United States Victims Terrorism 18 of State Sponsored Act (34)U.S.C. 19 20144(e)(2)(C)(i).

20 SEC. 3. DEPOSIT OF TERRORISM-RELATED PENALTIES AND

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FINES INTO THE UNITED STATES VICTIMS OF STATE SPONSORED TERRORISM FUND.

(a) CRIMINAL FUNDS AND PROPERTY.—Section
404(e)(2)(A)(i) of the Justice for United States Victims
of State Sponsored Terrorism Act (34 U.S.C.

20144(e)(2)(A)(i)) is amended by striking "or any related 1 2 criminal conspiracy, scheme, or other Federal offense arising from the actions of, or doing business with or acting 3 on behalf of, a state sponsor of terrorism." and inserting 4 at the end the following: "and all funds, and the net pro-5 6 ceeds from the sale of property, forfeited or paid to the 7 United States after the date of enactment of the American 8 Victims of Terrorism Compensation Act as a criminal penalty or fine in a matter or proceeding involving, relating 9 to, or arising from the actions of, or doing business with, 10 11 or acting on behalf of, a state sponsor of terrorism, with-12 out regard to the nature of the offense.

13	"(I) Scope.—All funds and net
14	proceeds described in this clause shall
15	be deposited or transferred into the
16	Fund if the state sponsor of terrorism
17	was so designated at the time of the
18	penalty or fine, at any time during the
19	course of any related legal pro-
20	ceedings, or at the time of any related
21	conduct.
22	"(II) RULE OF CONSTRUC-

22 (II) KULE OF CONSTRUC23 TION.—Nothing in this clause shall be
24 construed to limit any rights to court25 ordered restitution of any direct crime

victim of an offense in a matter or
 proceeding from which amounts are to
 be deposited into the Fund pursuant
 to this clause.

5 "(III) TIMING.—An agency of 6 the United States shall deposit or 7 transfer into the Fund all funds and 8 the net proceeds from the sale of 9 property, forfeited or paid to the 10 United States described in this sub-11 section not later than the later of— 12 "(aa) 60 days after the re-

ceipt of each amount or payment
by the agency; or
"(bb) 30 days after the date

16 of enactment of this subpara-17 graph.".

18 (b) CIVIL FUNDS AND PROPERTY.—Section 19 404(e)(2)(A)(ii) of the Justice for United States Victims 20 of State Terrorism (34)U.S.C. Sponsored Act 21 20144(e)(2)(A)(ii)) is amended by striking "or any related 22 conspiracy, scheme, or other Federal offense arising from 23 the actions of, or doing business with or acting on behalf of, a state sponsor of terrorism." and inserting the fol-24 lowing: "and seventy-five percent of the net proceeds from 25

the sale of property, forfeited or paid to the United States
 after the date of enactment of the American Victims of
 Terrorism Compensation Act, as a civil penalty or fine in
 a matter or proceeding involving, relating to, or arising
 from the actions of, or doing business with, or acting on
 behalf of, a state sponsor of terrorism, without regard to
 the nature of the offense.

8	"(I) Scope.—All funds and net
9	proceeds described in this clause shall
10	be deposited or transferred into the
11	Fund if the state sponsor of terrorism
12	was so designated at the time of the
13	penalty or fine, at any time during the
14	course of any related legal pro-
15	ceedings, or at the time of any related
16	conduct.
17	"(II) RULE OF CONSTRUC-
18	TION.—Nothing in this clause shall be

19	construed to limit any rights to court-
20	ordered restitution of any direct crime
21	victim of an offense in a matter or
22	proceeding from which amounts are to
23	be deposited into the Fund pursuant
24	to this clause.

1	"(III) TIMING.—An agency of
2	the United States shall deposit or
3	transfer into the Fund all funds and
4	the net proceeds from the sale of
5	property, forfeited or paid to the
6	United States described in this sub-
7	section not later than the later of—
8	"(aa) 60 days after the re-
9	ceipt of each amount or payment
10	by the agency; or
11	"(bb) 30 days after the date
12	of enactment of this subpara-
13	graph.".
14	SEC. 4. ANNUAL PAYMENTS.
15	Section 404(d)(4) of the Justice for United States
16	Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act (34 USC

16 Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act (34 U.S.C.
17 20144(d)(4)) is amended by striking subparagraph (A)
18 and inserting the following:

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D), on January
1, 2025, and January 1 of each calendar year
thereafter, the Special Master or the Attorney
General shall authorize additional payments on
a pro rata basis to those claimants with eligible
claims under subsection (c)(2) to include all

1 amounts received as of that date by any agency 2 of the United States that qualifies for deposit or transfer into the Fund, plus all interest 3 4 earned on any amounts deposited or transferred into the Fund that has not already been distrib-5 6 uted pursuant to subsection (d) and is not re-7 quired for the payment of administrative costs 8 or compensation as set forth in subsection 9 (b)(1)(B) and (C). All authorized payments 10 shall be distributed to the eligible claimants as 11 soon as practicable in the calendar year of au-12 thorization, or, if the Special Master or Attor-13 ney General authorizes payments prior to Janu-14 ary 1, not later than 1 year after the date of 15 such authorization.".

16 SEC. 5. REPORT OF FUND ACTIVITY.

Section 404(b)(1)(A) of the Justice for United States
Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act (34 U.S.C.
20144(b)(1)(A)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

21 "(iv) ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT.—
22 On January 31 of each year, the Attorney
23 General shall submit to the chairman and
24 ranking minority member of the Com25 mittee on the Judiciary of the Senate and

1	the chairman and ranking minority mem-
2	ber of the Committee on the Judiciary of
3	the House of Representatives a report on
4	the balance and activity of the Fund,
5	which the Attorney General shall make
6	public through the official webpage for the
7	Fund on or before March 1 of each year,
8	which shall include—
9	"(I) the total amount in the
10	Fund at the end of the preceding fis-
11	cal year;
12	"(II) deposits into the Fund dur-
13	ing the preceding fiscal year sufficient
14	to identify the source, including, if ap-
15	plicable, the case name and the
16	amount of each deposit, except to the
17	extent that any sealing order requires
18	any portion of such information to re-
19	main confidential;
20	"(III) disbursements from the
21	Fund during the preceding fiscal year
22	sufficient to identify specific amounts,
23	by category, disbursed for victim com-
24	pensation and other purposes, includ-

1	ing for administrative costs and use of
2	Department of Justice personnel;
3	"(IV) the amount, and the basis
4	for the calculation, of any funds de-
5	posited into the Fund from the De-
6	partment of Justice Asset Forfeiture
7	Fund, and the Department of the
8	Treasury Forfeiture Fund in the prior
9	fiscal year pursuant to section
10	404(e)(2)(C)(iv);
11	"(V) an explanation of any
12	amounts not deposited into the Fund
13	as a result of any 'rule of construc-
14	tion' herein; and
15	"(VI) an explanation of all
16	amounts from or relating to cases
17	qualifying for deposit under this Act
18	that are not deposited into the Fund
19	as a result of inter-agency credits, ad-
20	ministrative costs, or any other rea-
21	son.
22	"(v) GAO REPORT.—Not later than
23	January 1, 2027, and every 3 years there-
24	after, the Comptroller General of the

1	United States shall submit to Congress a
2	report—
3	"(I) evaluating the administra-
4	tion of the Fund and the sufficiency
5	of funding for the Fund; and
6	"(II) making recommendations
7	for any further funding of the
8	Fund.".
9	SEC. 6. ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND USE OF DEPARTMENT
10	OF JUSTICE PERSONNEL.
11	Section 404(b)(1) of the Justice for United States
12	Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act (34 U.S.C.
13	20144(b)(1)) is amended by striking subparagraph (B)
14	and inserting the following:
15	"(B) Administrative costs and use of
16	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PERSONNEL.—The
17	Special Master may utilize, as necessary, no
18	more than 10 full-time equivalent Department
19	of Justice personnel to assist in carrying out
20	the duties of the Special Master under this sec-
21	tion.".
22	SEC. 7. ADDITIONAL REPORTS.
23	Section $404(d)(4)(D)(iv)(IV)(bb)$ of the Justice for
24	United States Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act
25	(34 U.S.C. 20144(d)(4)(D)(iv)(IV)(bb)) is amended by in-

serting "not later than 30 days after the date on which 1 the Comptroller General submits its report identifying the 2 3 amounts described in subclauses (I) and (II) of clause (iii), and shall include all interest earned on amounts in the 4 lump sum catch-up payment reserve fund. All such 5 amounts, including interest, shall be included in the fifth-6 round payments to eligible claimants" before the period 7 at the end. 8

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