

Suspend the Rules And Pass the Bill, H. R. 260, with Amendments

(The amendments strike all after the enacting clause and inserts a complete new text and a new title)

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H. R. 260

To require a strategy to oppose financial or material support by foreign countries and nongovernmental organizations to the Taliban, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2025

Mr. BURCHETT (for himself, Ms. GREENE of Georgia, Ms. MACE, Mr. BARRETT, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. BIGGS of Arizona, Mrs. LUNA, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. McCAUL, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Ms. BOEBERT, Mr. MILLS, Ms. TENNEY, and Mr. NORMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

To require a strategy to oppose financial or material support by foreign countries and nongovernmental organizations to the Taliban, 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 “No Tax Dollars for
5 Terrorists Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STRATEGY TO OPPOSE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BY**
2 **FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND NONGOVERN-**
3 **MENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO THE TALIBAN.**

4 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
5 United States—

6 (1) to oppose the provision of foreign assistance
7 by foreign countries and nongovernmental organiza-
8 tions to the Taliban, particularly those countries and
9 organizations that receive United States-provided
10 foreign assistance; and

11 (2) to review United States-provided foreign as-
12 sistance to such foreign countries and nongovern-
13 mental organizations that have provided foreign as-
14 sistance to the Taliban.

15 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
16 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall
17 submit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-
18 port identifying, to the extent possible—

19 (1) foreign countries and nongovernmental or-
20 ganizations that have provided foreign assistance to
21 the Taliban, including—

22 (A) the amount of United States-provided
23 foreign assistance each country or organization
24 receives, if any;

1 (B) the amount of foreign assistance each
2 country or organization has provided to the
3 Taliban; and

4 (C) a description of how the Taliban has
5 utilized such foreign assistance; and

6 (2) efforts the United States has taken since
7 August 2021 to oppose foreign countries and non-
8 governmental organizations from providing foreign
9 assistance to the Taliban, particularly those foreign
10 countries and organizations that receive United
11 States-provided foreign assistance.

12 (c) STRATEGY AND REPORTS.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
15 retary of State shall develop and implement a strat-
16 egy to discourage foreign countries and nongovern-
17 mental organizations from providing foreign assist-
18 ance to the Taliban. The strategy shall include ef-
19 forts to support Afghan women and girls who are
20 suffering under Taliban edicts, in a way that does
21 not support the Taliban, and efforts to relocate eligi-
22 ble, fully vetted, at-risk Afghans and Afghan allies
23 located inside and outside of Afghanistan to the
24 United States or third countries.

25 (2) REPORTS.—

1 (A) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than the
2 date on which the strategy required by para-
3 graph (1) is completed, the Secretary of State
4 shall submit to the appropriate congressional
5 committees a report detailing the strategy and
6 a plan for its implementation.

7 (B) SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—Not later
8 than 180 days after the date on which the
9 strategy required by paragraph (1) is com-
10 pleted, and every 180 days thereafter for 5
11 years, the Secretary of State shall submit to the
12 appropriate congressional committees a report
13 on the implementation of the strategy, including
14 the impact of the strategy in discouraging for-
15 eign countries and nongovernmental organiza-
16 tions from providing financial or material sup-
17 port to the Taliban.

18 (C) ADDITIONAL REPORT.—

19 (i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30
20 days after the date of the enactment of
21 this Act, the Secretary of State shall sub-
22 mit to the appropriate congressional com-
23 mittees a report on the decision to termi-
24 nate the bounty on Sirajuddin Haqqani
25 and other key members of the Haqqani

1 Network under the Rewards for Justice
2 program.

3 (ii) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The
4 report required by this subparagraph shall
5 include the following:

6 (I) The status of the bounty on
7 Sirajuddin Haqqani, Abdul Aziz
8 Haqqani, and Yahya Haqqani under
9 the Rewards for Justice program and
10 the rationale for any changes made
11 since September 1, 2021.

12 (II) An identification of members
13 of the Haqqani Network who are Spe-
14 cially Designated Global Terrorists
15 and the status of the designation of
16 the Haqqani Network as a foreign ter-
17 rorist organization.

18 (III) A description of any United
19 States Government engagements with
20 Sirajuddin Haqqani, Abdul Aziz
21 Haqqani, Yahya Haqqani, or the
22 Haqqani Network since September 1,
23 2021.

24 (IV) Whether new information
25 has emerged relating to the involve-

1 ment of the Haqqani Network in ter-
2 rorist attacks targeting the United
3 States Military or United States civil-
4 ians.

5 (iii) FORM.—The report required by
6 this subparagraph shall be submitted in
7 unclassified form but may include a classi-
8 fied annex.

9 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON DIRECT CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**
10 **IN AFGHANISTAN.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
12 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State
13 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees
14 a report on United States Government-funded direct cash
15 assistance programs in Afghanistan during the period be-
16 ginning on August 1, 2021, and ending on the date that
17 is 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

18 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-
19 quired by subsection (a) shall, with respect to such direct
20 cash assistance programs, include—

- 21 (1) a general description of the types of imple-
22 menting partners and recipients;
- 23 (2) a description of method of payments;
- 24 (3) a description of how and where currency ex-
25 changes occur;

1 (4) a description of how hawalas are used and
2 the oversight mechanism in place regarding use of
3 hawalas to transfer funds; and

4 (5) a description of how oversight is conducted,
5 including information on how the Department of
6 State prevents the Taliban from accessing cash as-
7 sistance under such programs.

8 (c) HAWALA DEFINED.—In this section, the term
9 “hawala” means a system of transferring money through
10 a network of money lending brokers.

11 **SEC. 4. REPORT ON STATUS OF AFGHAN FUND.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days
14 thereafter for 5 years, the Secretary of State, in consulta-
15 tion with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall submit to
16 the appropriate congressional committees a report on the
17 status of the Afghan Fund.

18 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-
19 quired by subsection (a) shall, to the extent possible, in-
20 clude—

21 (1) a list of Taliban members working at Da
22 Afghanistan Bank or serving on the Bank’s board;
23 and

24 (2) a description of—

1 (A) the Taliban’s influence over Da Af-
2 ghanistan Bank;

3 (B) the Afghan Fund’s board of trustees,
4 including how the Fund’s trustees were vetted
5 and selected, and what United States agencies
6 were involved in the vetting and selection pro-
7 cess;

8 (C) the conditions necessary for funds in
9 the Afghan Fund to be released to Da Afghani-
10 stan Bank;

11 (D) how the Afghan Fund’s board of trust-
12 ees will decide on the type and appropriateness
13 of the Fund’s activities, including what kind of
14 information will inform the board’s decisions
15 and how the board will collect and verify this
16 information; and

17 (E) a description of what controls have
18 been put into place to ensure funds are not di-
19 verted to or misused by the Taliban or other ac-
20 tors when the Fund begins making disburse-
21 ments.

22 **SEC. 5. APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-**
23 **FINED.**

24 In this Act, the term “appropriate congressional com-
25 mittees’ ” means—

1 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
2 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
3 resentatives; and

4 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
5 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to require a strategy to oppose foreign assistance by foreign countries and nongovernmental organizations to the Taliban, and for other purposes.”.