

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 596
OFFERED BY MR. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Crimea Annexation
3 Non-recognition Act”.

4 SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST UNITED STATES RECOGNITION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION’S CLAIM OF SOVEREIGNTY OVER CRIMEA.

7 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
8 United States not to recognize the Russian Federation’s
9 claim of sovereignty over Crimea, its airspace, or its territorial waters.
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11 (b) PROHIBITION.—In accordance with subsection
12 (a), no Federal department or agency may take any action
13 or extend any assistance that implies recognition of the
14 Russian Federation’s claim of sovereignty over Crimea, its
15 airspace, or its territorial waters.

16 (c) WAIVER.—The President may waive the prohibition in subsection (b) on a case-by-case basis if the Presi-
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- 1 dent determines that it is vital to the national security
- 2 interests of the United States to do so.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to prohibit United States Government recognition of the Russian Federation’s claim of sovereignty over Crimea, and for other purposes.”.

