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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BARR (for himself, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, and Mr. MURPHY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, Oversight and Government Reform, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To impose sanctions with respect to Chinese producers of synthetic opioids and opioid precursors, to hold Chinese officials accountable for the spread of illicit fentanyl, 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 “Stop Chinese Fentanyl
5 Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

2 It is the sense of Congress that the Government of
3 the People’s Republic of China should—

4 (1) work with the United States Government to
5 identify a list of unregulated chemicals used to cre-
6 ate precursor chemicals that bear increased scrutiny;

7 (2) require the proper labeling of chemical and
8 equipment shipments in accordance with inter-
9 national rules;

10 (3) immediately implement “know-your-cus-
11 tomer” procedures for chemical shipments; and

12 (4) direct all relevant departments and agen-
13 cies, including the National Narcotics Control Com-
14 mission, the Ministry of Public Security, the General
15 Administration of Customs, and the National Med-
16 ical Products Administration of the Government of
17 the People’s Republic of China to establish new rules
18 to crack down on precursor trafficking and enforce
19 such rules swiftly.

20 **SEC. 3. AMENDMENTS TO THE FENTANYL SANCTIONS ACT.**

21 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—Section 7203(5) of the Fentanyl
22 Sanctions Act (21 U.S.C. 2302(5)) is amended—

23 (1) by striking “The term ‘foreign opioid traf-
24 ficker’ means any foreign person” and inserting the
25 following: “The term ‘foreign opioid trafficker’—

26 “(A) means any foreign person”;

1 (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-
2 ing “; and”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(B) includes—

5 “(i) any entity of the People’s Repub-
6 lic of China that the President deter-
7 mines—

8 “(I) produces, manufactures, dis-
9 tributes, sells, or knowingly finances
10 or transports any goods described in
11 clause (i) or (ii) of paragraph (8)(A);
12 and

13 “(II) fails to take credible steps,
14 including through implementation of
15 appropriate know-your-customer pro-
16 cedures or through cooperation with
17 United States counternarcotics ef-
18 forts, to detect or prevent opioid traf-
19 ficking; and

20 “(ii) any senior official of the Govern-
21 ment of the People’s Republic of China or
22 other Chinese political official that—

23 “(I) has significant regulatory or
24 law enforcement responsibilities with

1 respect to the activities of an entity
2 described in clause (i); and

3 “(II) aids and abets, including
4 through intentional inaction, opioid
5 trafficking.”.

6 (b) IDENTIFICATION OF FOREIGN OPIOID TRAF-
7 FICKERS.—Section 7211 of the Fentanyl Sanctions Act
8 (21 U.S.C. 2311) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)(1)(A), by adding at the
10 end before the semicolon the following: “, including
11 whether the heads of the National Narcotics Control
12 Commission, the Ministry of Public Security, the
13 General Administration of Customs, and the Na-
14 tional Medical Products Administration of the Gov-
15 ernment of the People’s Republic of China are for-
16 eign opioid traffickers”; and

17 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “5 years” and
18 inserting “10 years”.

19 **SEC. 4. AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL EMER-**
20 **GENCY ECONOMIC POWERS ACT AND THE**
21 **TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT.**

22 (a) PERIODIC EVALUATION.—Section 203 of the
23 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
24 U.S.C. 1702) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
25 lowing:

1 “(d) PERIODIC EVALUATION.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If the authority granted to
3 the President under this section is exercised with re-
4 spect to a covered national emergency, the President
5 shall transmit to the appropriate congressional com-
6 mittees, not less frequently than annually, a periodic
7 evaluation in writing that—

8 “(A) assesses the effectiveness of the exer-
9 cise of such authority in resolving the covered
10 national emergency;

11 “(B) considers the views of public- and pri-
12 vate-sector stakeholders; and

13 “(C) discusses any potential changes to the
14 exercise of the authority for the purpose of
15 more effectively resolving the covered national
16 emergency.

17 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

18 “(A) the term ‘appropriate congressional
19 committees’ means—

20 “(i) the Committee on Foreign Af-
21 fairs, the Committee on Financial Services,
22 and the Committee on Oversight and Ac-
23 countability of the House of Representa-
24 tives; and

1 “(ii) the Committee on Homeland Se-
2 curity and Governmental Affairs, the Com-
3 mittee on Foreign Relations, and the Com-
4 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban
5 Affairs of the Senate; and

6 “(B) the term ‘covered national emergency’
7 means a national emergency that—

8 “(i) the President has declared, within
9 the preceding 5-year period, with respect
10 to any national emergency regarding inter-
11 national drug trafficking; and

12 “(ii) has not terminated.”.

13 (b) CONSULTATION AND REPORTS.—Section 204 of
14 the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
15 U.S.C. 1703) is amended—

16 (1) by striking “the Congress” each place it ap-
17 pears and inserting “the appropriate congressional
18 committees”; and

19 (2) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
21 DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘appropriate congres-
22 sional committees’ has the meaning given that term in sec-
23 tion 203(d)(2).”.

1 (3) AUTHORITY TO ISSUE REGULATIONS.—Sec-
2 tion 205 of the International Emergency Economic
3 Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1704) is amended—

4 (A) by striking “The President” and in-
5 serting “(a) The President”; and

6 (B) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(b) In issuing regulations under subsection (a) pur-
8 suant to a covered national emergency (as defined in sec-
9 tion 203), the President shall—

10 “(1) consider the costs and benefits of available
11 statutory and regulatory alternatives;

12 “(2) evaluate the costs and benefits for the pur-
13 pose of expeditiously resolving the applicable na-
14 tional emergency;

15 “(3) establish criteria for the eventual termi-
16 nation of the applicable national emergency; and

17 “(4) include in the basis and purpose incor-
18 porated in the regulations—

19 “(A) an explanation of how the regulations
20 will resolve the applicable national emergency;
21 and

22 “(B) a discussion of the costs and bene-
23 fits.”.

1 SEC. 5. EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTATION OF
2 GOODS.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—A requirement to block and pro-
4 hibit all transactions in all property and interests in prop-
5 erty pursuant to this Act or any amendment made by this
6 Act shall not include the authority or a requirement to
7 impose sanctions on the importation of goods.

8 (b) GOOD DEFINED.—In this section, the term
9 “good” means any article, natural or manmade substance,
10 material, supply or manufactured product, including in-
11 spection and test equipment, and excluding technical data.

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