

113TH CONGRESS
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To impose sanctions with respect to the Government of Iran.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. KIRK) introduced the following bill; which
was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To impose sanctions with respect to the Government of Iran.

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 “Iran Export Embargo
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE**

7 **GOVERNMENT OF IRAN.**

8 The Iran Freedom and Counter-Proliferation Act of
9 2012 (22 U.S.C. 8801 et seq.) is amended by inserting
10 after section 1245 the following:

1 **“SEC. 1245A. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO**
2 **THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN.**

3 “(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
4 ings:

5 “(1) The Government of Iran stands in viola-
6 tion of the United Nations Universal Declaration of
7 Human Rights, adopted at Paris December 10,
8 1948, by denying its citizens basic freedoms, includ-
9 ing the freedoms of expression, religion, and peaceful
10 assembly and movement, and for flagrantly abusing
11 the rights of minorities and women.

12 “(2) The Government of Iran remains the lead-
13 ing state sponsor of terrorism in the world. That
14 Government’s sponsorship of terrorism includes re-
15 cent involvement in a terrorist attack in Bulgaria, a
16 plot to blow up a cafe in Washington, D.C., a plot
17 to assassinate United States officials in the Republic
18 of Azerbaijan, and attempted terrorist attacks in
19 Canada and the Republic of Georgia.

20 “(3) The Government of Iran stands in viola-
21 tion of United Nations Security Council Resolutions
22 1737 (2006), 1747 (2007), 1803 (2008), and 1929
23 (2010) by refusing to suspend proliferation-sensitive
24 nuclear activities, including all enrichment-related
25 and reprocessing activities and work on all heavy
26 water-related projects.

1 “(4) The Government of Iran continues to de-
2 velop ballistic missiles capable of threatening the in-
3 terests and allies of the United States.

4 “(5) The Government of Iran stands in viola-
5 tion of United Nations Security Council Resolution
6 1701 (2006) by its continued transfer of arms to
7 terrorist groups in southern Lebanon.

8 “(6) The Government of Iran continues to pro-
9 vide arms to terrorist groups in the Gaza Strip.

10 “(7) The Government of Iran continues to sup-
11 port the Government of Syria in carrying out human
12 rights abuses and crimes against humanity against
13 the people of Syria.

14 “(b) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—On and after the
15 date that is 60 days after the date of the enactment of
16 this Act, the President shall block and prohibit all trans-
17 actions in all property and interests in property of a per-
18 son described in subsection (f) if such property and inter-
19 ests in property are in the United States, come within the
20 United States, or are or come within the possession or
21 control of a United States person.

22 “(c) FACILITATION OF CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS.—
23 The President shall prohibit the opening, and prohibit or
24 impose strict conditions on the maintaining, in the United
25 States of a correspondent account or a payable-through

1 account by a foreign financial institution that the Presi-
2 dent determines has knowingly, on or after the date that
3 is 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
4 conducted or facilitated a significant transaction with re-
5 spect to the importation, sale, or transfer of goods or serv-
6 ices from Iran on behalf of a person described in sub-
7 section (f).

8 “(d) IMPORTATION, SALE, OR TRANSFER OF GOODS
9 AND SERVICES FROM IRAN.—The President shall impose
10 sanctions pursuant to the International Emergency Eco-
11 nomic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) with respect
12 to a person if the President determines that the person
13 knowingly, on or after the date that is 60 days after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, imports, purchases, or
15 transfers goods or services from a person described in sub-
16 section (f).

17 “(e) INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall impose
19 sanctions pursuant to the International Emergency
20 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) with
21 respect to a person if the President determines that
22 the person knowingly, on or after the date that is 60
23 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
24 provides underwriting services or insurance or rein-
25 surance to a person described in subsection (f).

1 “(2) EXCEPTION FOR UNDERWRITERS AND IN-
2 SURANCE PROVIDERS EXERCISING DUE DILI-
3 GENCE.—The President may not impose sanctions
4 under paragraph (1) with respect to a person that
5 provides underwriting services or insurance or rein-
6 surance if the President determines that the person
7 has exercised due diligence in establishing and en-
8 forcing official policies, procedures, and controls to
9 ensure that the person does not underwrite or enter
10 into a contract to provide insurance or reinsurance
11 for a person described in subsection (f).

12 “(f) PERSONS DESCRIBED.—A person described in
13 this subsection is any of the following:

14 “(1) The state and the Government of Iran, or
15 any political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality
16 of that Government, including the Central Bank of
17 Iran.

18 “(2) Any person owned or controlled, directly or
19 indirectly, by that Government.

20 “(3) Any person acting or purporting to act, di-
21 rectly or indirectly, for or on behalf of that Govern-
22 ment.

23 “(4) Any other person determined by the Presi-
24 dent to be described in paragraph (1), (2), or (3).

1 “(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—A person described
2 in subsection (f) is subject to sanctions under this section
3 without regard to whether the name of the person is pub-
4 lished in the Federal Register or incorporated into the list
5 of specially designated nationals and blocked persons
6 maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the
7 Department of the Treasury.

8 “(h) APPLICABILITY TO EXPORTS OF CRUDE OIL
9 FROM IRAN.—Subsections (c) and (d) shall apply with re-
10 spect to the exportation, importation, sale, or transfer of
11 crude oil from Iran on and after the date that is 180 days
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act.”.