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# S. 2650

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CORKER (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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## A BILL

To provide for congressional review of agreements relating to Iran’s nuclear program, 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 “Iran Nuclear Negotia-  
5 tions Act of 2014”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) **APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-**  
9 **TEES.**—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
10 mittees” has the meaning given that term in section

1 14 of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law  
2 104–172; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

3 (2) **JOINT PLAN OF ACTION.**—The term “Joint  
4 Plan of Action” means the Joint Plan of Action,  
5 signed at Geneva November 24, 2013, by Iran and  
6 by France, Germany, the Russian Federation, the  
7 People’s Republic of China, the United Kingdom,  
8 and the United States, and all implementing mate-  
9 rials and agreements related to the Joint Plan of  
10 Action, including the technical understandings  
11 reached on January 12, 2014, and the extension of  
12 the Joint Plan of Action agreed to on July 19, 2014.

13 **SEC. 3. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL**  
14 **AGREEMENTS RELATING TO IRAN’S NUCLEAR**  
15 **PROGRAM.**

16 (a) **SUBMISSION OF AGREEMENTS TO CONGRESS.**—

17 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The President shall submit  
18 to Congress an agreement described in paragraph  
19 (2) not later than 3 calendar days after entering  
20 into the agreement.

21 (2) **AGREEMENT DESCRIBED.**—An agreement  
22 described in this paragraph is an agreement relating  
23 to Iran’s nuclear program entered into on or after  
24 the date of the enactment of this Act by the United  
25 States and Iran. An agreement is described in this

1 paragraph without regard to whether or not one or  
2 more countries other than the United States and  
3 Iran are parties to the agreement.

4 (b) COMMITTEE REVIEW.—During the 15-calendar  
5 day period beginning on the date on which the President  
6 submits an agreement to Congress under subsection (a),  
7 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and  
8 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
9 resentatives—

10 (1) shall review the agreement; and

11 (2) may hold hearings or briefings, as appro-  
12 priate, related to the agreement.

13 (c) JOINT RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL.—

14 (1) JOINT RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL DE-  
15 FINED.—In this section, the term “joint resolution  
16 of disapproval” means only a joint resolution of the  
17 two Houses of Congress—

18 (A) that does not have a preamble;

19 (B) the title of which is as follows: “Joint  
20 resolution disapproving a nuclear agreement  
21 with Iran”; and

22 (C) the matter after the resolving clause of  
23 which is as follows: “That Congress disapproves  
24 of the agreement relating to Iran’s nuclear pro-  
25 gram submitted by the President to Congress

1 under section 3(a) of the Iran Nuclear Negotia-  
2 tions Act of 2014 on \_\_\_\_\_.”, with the  
3 blank space being filled with the appropriate  
4 date.

5 (2) RECONVENING.—Upon receipt by Congress  
6 of an agreement described in paragraph (2) of sub-  
7 section (a), as required by paragraph (1) of that  
8 subsection—

9 (A) the Speaker, if the House of Rep-  
10 resentatives would otherwise be adjourned, shall  
11 notify the Members of the House that, pursuant  
12 to this section, the House shall convene not  
13 later than the second calendar day after receipt  
14 of the agreement; and

15 (B) if the Senate has adjourned or re-  
16 cessed for more than 2 days, the majority lead-  
17 er of the Senate, after consultation with the mi-  
18 nority leader of the Senate, shall notify the  
19 Members of the Senate that, pursuant to this  
20 section, the Senate shall convene not later than  
21 the second calendar day after receipt of the  
22 agreement.

23 (3) INTRODUCTION.—During the 15-calendar  
24 day period beginning on the calendar day after the  
25 end of the 15-calendar day period described in sub-

1 section (b), a joint resolution of disapproval may be  
2 introduced—

3 (A) in the House of Representatives, by  
4 the Speaker (or his designee) or the minority  
5 leader (or his designee); and

6 (B) in the Senate, by the majority leader  
7 (or his designee) or the minority leader (or his  
8 designee).

9 (4) COMMITTEE REFERRAL.—A joint resolution  
10 of disapproval introduced in the Senate shall be re-  
11 ferred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and a  
12 joint resolution of disapproval introduced in the  
13 House of Representatives shall be referred to the  
14 Committee on Foreign Affairs.

15 (5) DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEES.—If the com-  
16 mittee of either House to which a joint resolution of  
17 disapproval has been referred has not reported the  
18 joint resolution at the end of the 15-calendar day pe-  
19 riod after the introduction of the joint resolution,  
20 that committee shall be discharged from further con-  
21 sideration of the joint resolution and the joint reso-  
22 lution shall be placed on the appropriate calendar.

23 (6) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN THE HOUSE OF  
24 REPRESENTATIVES.—

1           (A) MOTIONS TO PROCEED.—After the  
2 committee authorized to consider a joint resolu-  
3 tion of disapproval reports it to the House of  
4 Representatives or has been discharged from its  
5 consideration, it shall be in order to move to  
6 proceed to consider the joint resolution in the  
7 House. All points of order against the motion  
8 are waived. Such a motion shall not be in order  
9 after the House has disposed of a motion to  
10 proceed on the joint resolution. The previous  
11 question shall be considered as ordered on the  
12 motion to its adoption without intervening mo-  
13 tion. The motion shall not be debatable. A mo-  
14 tion to reconsider the vote by which the motion  
15 is disposed of shall not be in order.

16           (B) CONSIDERATION.—A joint resolution  
17 of disapproval shall be considered as read. All  
18 points of order against the joint resolution and  
19 against its consideration are waived. The pre-  
20 vious question shall be considered as ordered on  
21 the joint resolution to its passage without inter-  
22 vening motion, except 20 hours of debate equal-  
23 ly divided and controlled by the proponent and  
24 an opponent. A motion to reconsider the vote  
25 on passage of the joint resolution shall not be

1 in order. No amendment to, or motion to re-  
2 commit, a joint resolution of disapproval shall  
3 be in order.

4 (C) APPEALS.—All appeals from the deci-  
5 sions of the Chair relating to the application of  
6 the Rules of the House of Representatives to  
7 the procedure relating to a joint resolution of  
8 disapproval shall be decided without debate.

9 (7) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN THE SENATE.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding Rule  
11 XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it is  
12 in order at any time after the committee au-  
13 thorized to consider a joint resolution of dis-  
14 approval reports it to the Senate or has been  
15 discharged from its consideration (even though  
16 a previous motion to the same effect has been  
17 disagreed to) to move to proceed to the consid-  
18 eration of the joint resolution, and all points of  
19 order against the joint resolution (and against  
20 consideration of the joint resolution) are  
21 waived. The motion to proceed is not debatable.  
22 The motion is not subject to a motion to post-  
23 pone. A motion to reconsider the vote by which  
24 the motion is agreed to or disagreed to shall not  
25 be in order. If a motion to proceed to the con-

1           sideration of the joint resolution is agreed to,  
2           the joint resolution shall remain the unfinished  
3           business until disposed of.

4           (B) DEBATE.—Debate in the Senate on a  
5           joint resolution of disapproval, and all debatable  
6           motions and appeals in connection with such a  
7           resolution, shall be limited to not more than 20  
8           hours, to be equally divided between, and con-  
9           trolled by, the majority leader and the minority  
10          leader or their designees. A motion to further  
11          limit debate is in order and not debatable. An  
12          amendment to, or a motion to postpone, or a  
13          motion to proceed to the consideration of other  
14          business, or a motion to recommit the joint res-  
15          olution of disapproval is not in order.

16          (C) VOTE ON PASSAGE.—The vote on pas-  
17          sage shall occur immediately following the con-  
18          clusion of the debate on a joint resolution of  
19          disapproval, and a single quorum call at the  
20          conclusion of the debate if requested in accord-  
21          ance with the rules of the Senate.

22          (D) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCE-  
23          DURE.—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair  
24          relating to the application of the rules of the  
25          Senate to the procedure relating to a joint reso-



1 lution of disapproval shall be decided without  
2 debate.

3 (E) CONSIDERATION OF VETO MES-  
4 SAGES.—Debate in the Senate of any veto mes-  
5 sage with respect to a joint resolution of dis-  
6 approval, including all debatable motions and  
7 appeals in connection with such a joint resolu-  
8 tion, shall be limited to 10 hours, to be equally  
9 divided between, and controlled by, the majority  
10 leader and the minority leader or their des-  
11 ignees.

12 (8) RULES RELATING TO SENATE AND HOUSE  
13 OF REPRESENTATIVES.—

14 (A) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY  
15 OTHER HOUSE.—If, before the passage by one  
16 House of a joint resolution of disapproval of  
17 that House, that House receives from the other  
18 House a joint resolution of disapproval, then  
19 the following procedures shall apply:

20 (i) The joint resolution of the other  
21 House shall not be referred to a com-  
22 mittee.

23 (ii) With respect to a joint resolution  
24 of the House receiving the resolution—

1 (I) the procedure in that House  
2 shall be the same as if no joint resolu-  
3 tion had been received from the other  
4 House; but

5 (II) the vote on passage shall be  
6 on the joint resolution of the other  
7 House.

8 (B) TREATMENT OF JOINT RESOLUTION  
9 OF OTHER HOUSE.—If one House fails to intro-  
10 duce or consider a joint resolution of dis-  
11 approval under this section, the joint resolution  
12 of disapproval of the other House shall be enti-  
13 tled to expedited floor procedures under this  
14 section.

15 (C) TREATMENT OF COMPANION MEAS-  
16 URES.—If, following passage of a joint resolu-  
17 tion of disapproval in the Senate, the Senate  
18 then receives the companion measure from the  
19 House of Representatives, the companion meas-  
20 ure shall not be debatable.

21 (9) RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-  
22 TIVES AND THE SENATE.—This subsection is en-  
23 acted by Congress—

24 (A) as an exercise of the rulemaking power  
25 of the Senate and the House of Representa-

1           tives, respectively, and as such is deemed a part  
2           of the rules of each House, respectively, but ap-  
3           plicable only with respect to the procedure to be  
4           followed in that House in the case of a joint  
5           resolution, and it supersedes other rules only to  
6           the extent that it is inconsistent with such  
7           rules; and

8                   (B) with full recognition of the constitu-  
9                   tional right of either House to change the rules  
10                  (so far as relating to the procedure of that  
11                  House) at any time, in the same manner, and  
12                  to the same extent as in the case of any other  
13                  rule of that House.

14           (d) LIMITATION ON FUNDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION  
15           OF AGREEMENT.—No funds authorized to be appropriated  
16           for the Department of State that remain available for obli-  
17           gation as of the date of the enactment of this Act may  
18           be obligated or expended to implement an agreement de-  
19           scribed in subsection (a)(2), including for the waiver, sus-  
20           pension, or other reduction of any sanctions with respect  
21           to Iran pursuant to such an agreement, if—

22                   (1) the President fails to submit the agreement  
23                   to Congress as required by subsection (a); or

24                   (2) a joint resolution of disapproval is enacted  
25                   into law pursuant to subsection (b).

1 (e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
2 tion or any action taken pursuant to this section shall be  
3 construed as approval of any waiver, suspension, or other  
4 reduction of any sanctions with respect to Iran in connec-  
5 tion with any agreement relating to Iran’s nuclear pro-  
6 gram.

7 **SEC. 4. PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH INTER-**  
8 **NATIONAL AGREEMENTS RELATING TO**  
9 **IRAN’S NUCLEAR PROGRAM.**

10 (a) ASSESSMENT OF COMPLIANCE.—If any element  
11 of the intelligence community (as defined in section 3 of  
12 the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) re-  
13 ceives information from any person, including the Inter-  
14 national Atomic Energy Agency, the Secretary of Defense,  
15 the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Energy, a foreign  
16 government, a foreign intelligence service, or another rep-  
17 utable source, that Iran has failed to comply with the  
18 terms of the Joint Plan of Action, any agreement to imple-  
19 ment the Joint Plan of Action, or any other agreement  
20 related to Iran’s nuclear program (including an agreement  
21 described in section 3(a)(2)), or has refused to cooperate  
22 in any substantive way with appropriate requests of the  
23 International Atomic Energy Agency, the Director of Na-  
24 tional Intelligence shall—

1 (1) not later than 10 calendar days after receiv-  
2 ing that information, determine whether the infor-  
3 mation is credible and accurate; and

4 (2) submit to the appropriate congressional  
5 committees—

6 (A) the information; and

7 (B) the determination of the Director with  
8 respect to whether the information is credible  
9 and accurate and the reasons for that deter-  
10 mination.

11 (b) REINSTATEMENT OF SANCTIONS.—If the Direc-  
12 tor of National Intelligence determines that information  
13 described in subsection (a) is credible and accurate, any  
14 sanctions imposed with respect to Iran that have been  
15 waived, suspended, or otherwise reduced in connection  
16 with negotiations with Iran relating to Iran’s nuclear pro-  
17 gram, without regard to whether the waiver, suspension,  
18 or other reduction of those sanctions took effect before or  
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, shall be rein-  
20 stated in full by action of law on that date that is 5 cal-  
21 endar days after the date of the determination.

22 **SEC. 5. ENFORCEMENT OF TIMELINE FOR NEGOTIATING**  
23 **NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS WITH IRAN.**

24 Any sanctions imposed with respect to Iran that have  
25 been waived, suspended, or otherwise reduced in connec-

1 tion with negotiations with Iran relating to Iran’s nuclear  
2 program, without regard to whether the waiver, suspen-  
3 sion, or other reduction of those sanctions took effect be-  
4 fore or after the date of the enactment of this Act, shall  
5 be reinstated in full by action of law on November 28,  
6 2014, unless, before that date, the President—

7           (1) submits to Congress an agreement described  
8           in paragraph (2) of section 3(a) as required by para-  
9           graph (1) of that section; and

10           (2) certifies to the appropriate congressional  
11           committees that the agreement is a comprehensive  
12           and long-term agreement that—

13                   (A) addresses all key aspects of Iran’s nu-  
14                   clear program; and

15                   (B) is of a duration that is significantly  
16                   longer than any nuclear-related agreement be-  
17                   tween the United States and Iran entered into  
18                   before the date of the enactment of this Act.

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