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S. 141

To reorder United States budget priorities with respect to United States assistance to foreign countries and international organizations.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 21, 1997

Mr. FAIRCLOTH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

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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 “Foreign Aid Reform
5 Act of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON UNITED STATES ASSISTANCE TO**
7 **COUNTRIES OPPOSING UNITED STATES**
8 **POLICY IN THE UNITED NATIONS.**

9 (a) PROHIBITION.—Funds may not be obligated or
10 expended in any fiscal year for United States assistance

1 for a foreign country if the government of that country
2 did not cast its vote in agreement with the United States
3 for at least 50 percent of the recorded votes taken in ses-
4 sions of the General Assembly and Security Council of the
5 United Nations during the calendar year preceding the
6 year in which the fiscal year began.

7 (b) DETERMINATION OF FOREIGN VOTING PRAC-
8 TICES.—For purposes of subsection (a), the voting prac-
9 tices of a foreign country shall be determined from the
10 report required to be submitted to Congress under section
11 406(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal
12 Years 1990 and 1991 (22 U.S.C. 2414a).

13 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON DOMESTIC FEDERAL AGENCIES**
14 **FURNISHING UNITED STATES ASSISTANCE.**

15 A domestic Federal agency may not, directly or indi-
16 rectly, furnish United States assistance to a foreign coun-
17 try or an international organization.

18 **SEC. 4. FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS SUBJECT**
19 **TO POINT OF ORDER.**

20 It shall not be in order in either the House of Rep-
21 resentatives or the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolu-
22 tion, amendment, motion, or conference report providing
23 new budget authority for a fiscal year with respect to for-
24 eign operations, export financing, or other related activi-
25 ties of the United States Government until that House of

1 Congress has passed all other appropriations measures re-
2 ported by the Committee on Appropriations, or being con-
3 sidered by the Committee on Appropriations, for that fis-
4 cal year.

5 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

6 As used in this Act:

7 (1) DOMESTIC FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term
8 “domestic Federal agency” means a Federal agency
9 the primary mission of which is to carry out func-
10 tions other than foreign affairs, defense, or national
11 security functions.

12 (2) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term “Federal
13 agency” has the meaning given the term “agency”
14 in section 551(1) of title 5, United States Code.

15 (3) INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION.—The term
16 “international organization” has the meaning given
17 the term in section 1 of the International Organiza-
18 tion Immunities Act (22 U.S.C. 288).

19 (4) NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY.—The term “new
20 budget authority” has the meaning given the term
21 in section 3(2)(C) of the Congressional Budget Act
22 of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 622(2)(C)).

23 (5) UNITED STATES ASSISTANCE.—The term
24 “United States assistance” has the meaning given

1 the term in section 481(e)(4) of the Foreign Assist-
2 ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291(e)(4)).

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