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To authorize the President to impose emergency import restrictions on archaeological or ethnological materials of Iraq until normalization of relations between the United States and the Government of Iraq has been established.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 19, 2003

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Emergency Protection
5 for Iraqi Cultural Antiquities Act of 2003”.

1 **SEC. 2. EMERGENCY IMPLEMENTATION OF IMPORT RE-**
 2 **STRICTIONS.**

3 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—The President may exercise the au-
 4 thority of the President under section 304 of the Conven-
 5 tion on Cultural Property Implementation Act (19 U.S.C.
 6 2603) with respect to any archaeological or ethnological
 7 material of Iraq as if Iraq were a State Party under that
 8 Act, except that, in exercising such authority, subsection
 9 (c) of such section shall not apply.

10 (b) **DEFINITION.**—In this section, the term “archae-
 11 ological or ethnological material of Iraq” means cultural
 12 property of Iraq and other items of archaeological, histor-
 13 ical, cultural, rare scientific, or religious importance ille-
 14 gally removed from the Iraq National Museum, the Na-
 15 tional Library of Iraq, and other locations in Iraq, since
 16 the adoption of United Nations Security Council Resolu-
 17 tion 661 of 1990.

18 **SEC. 3. TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.**

19 The authority of the President under section 2 shall
 20 terminate upon the earlier of—

- 21 (1) the date that is 12 months after the date
 22 on which the President certifies to Congress that
 23 normalization of relations between the United States
 24 and the Government of Iraq has been established; or
 25 (2) September 30, 2004.