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# S. 4694

To extend and expand limitations on the importation of uranium from the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. RISCH, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. MANCHIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To extend and expand limitations on the importation of uranium from the Russian Federation, 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 “Russian Suspension  
5 Agreement Extension Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF LIMITATIONS ON**  
2 **IMPORTATION OF URANIUM FROM RUSSIAN**  
3 **FEDERATION.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3112A of the USEC Pri-  
5 vatization Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) by redesignating paragraph (7) as  
8 paragraph (8); and

9 (B) by inserting after paragraph (6) the  
10 following:

11 “(7) SUSPENSION AGREEMENT.—The term  
12 ‘Suspension Agreement’ has the meaning given that  
13 term in section 3102(13).”;

14 (2) in subsection (b)—

15 (A) by striking “United States to support”  
16 and inserting the following: “United States—  
17 “(1) to support”;

18 (B) by striking the period at the end and  
19 inserting a semicolon; and

20 (C) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(2) to reduce reliance on uranium imports in  
22 order to protect essential national security interests;

23 “(3) to revive and strengthen the supply chain  
24 for nuclear fuel produced and used in the United  
25 States; and

1 “(4) to expand production of nuclear fuel in the  
2 United States.”; and

3 (3) in subsection (c)—

4 (A) in paragraph (2)—

5 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

6 (I) in clause (vi), by striking “;  
7 and” and inserting a semicolon;

8 (II) in clause (vii), by striking  
9 the period at the end and inserting a  
10 semicolon; and

11 (III) by adding at the end the  
12 following:

13 “(viii) in calendar year 2021, 596,682  
14 kilograms;

15 “(ix) in calendar year 2022, 489,617  
16 kilograms;

17 “(x) in calendar year 2023, 578,877  
18 kilograms;

19 “(xi) in calendar year 2024, 476,536  
20 kilograms;

21 “(xii) in calendar year 2025, 470,376  
22 kilograms;

23 “(xiii) in calendar year 2026, 464,183  
24 kilograms;

1                   “(xiv) in calendar year 2027, 459,083  
2 kilograms;  
3                   “(xv) in calendar year 2028, 344,312  
4 kilograms;  
5                   “(xvi) in calendar year 2029, 340,114  
6 kilograms;  
7                   “(xvii) in calendar year 2030,  
8 332,141 kilograms;  
9                   “(xviii) in calendar year 2031,  
10 328,862 kilograms;  
11                  “(xix) in calendar year 2032, 322,255  
12 kilograms;  
13                  “(xx) in calendar year 2033, 317,536  
14 kilograms;  
15                  “(xxi) in calendar year 2034, 298,088  
16 kilograms;  
17                  “(xxii) in calendar year 2035,  
18 294,511 kilograms;  
19                  “(xxiii) in calendar year 2036,  
20 286,066 kilograms;  
21                  “(xxiv) in calendar year 2037,  
22 281,272 kilograms;  
23                  “(xxv) in calendar year 2038, 277,124  
24 kilograms;

1           “(xxvi) in calendar year 2039,  
2           277,124 kilograms; and

3           “(xxvii) in calendar year 2040,  
4           267,685 kilograms.”;

5           (ii) by redesignating subparagraph  
6           (B) as subparagraph (C); and

7           (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
8           (A) the following:

9           “(B) ADMINISTRATION.—

10           “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of  
11           Commerce shall administer the import lim-  
12           itations described in subparagraph (A) in  
13           accordance with the provisions of the Sus-  
14           pension Agreement, including—

15           “(I) the limitations on sales of  
16           enriched uranium product and separa-  
17           tive work units plus conversion, in  
18           amounts determined in accordance  
19           with Section IV.B.1 of the Suspension  
20           Agreement (as amended by the draft  
21           amendment published in the Federal  
22           Register on September 16, 2020 (85  
23           Fed. Reg. 57826)), and Appendix 5 of  
24           the Suspension Agreement;

1           “(II) the requirements for nat-  
2           ural uranium returned feed associated  
3           with imports of low-enriched uranium,  
4           including pursuant to sales of enrich-  
5           ment, with or without conversion,  
6           from the Russian Federation, as set  
7           forth in such Section IV.B.1; and

8           “(III) any other provisions of the  
9           Suspension Agreement.

10           “(ii) EFFECT OF TERMINATION OF  
11           SUSPENSION AGREEMENT.—Clause (i)  
12           shall remain in effect if the Suspension  
13           Agreement is terminated.”;

14           (B) in paragraph (3)—

15           (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
16           the semicolon and inserting “; or”;

17           (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
18           “; or” and inserting a period; and

19           (iii) by striking subparagraph (C);

20           (C) in paragraph (5)—

21           (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
22           “reference data” and all that follows  
23           through “2019” and inserting the fol-  
24           lowing: “lower scenario data in the report  
25           of the World Nuclear Association entitled

1           ‘The Nuclear Fuel Report: Global Sce-  
2           narios for Demand and Supply Availability  
3           2019–2040’. In each of calendar years  
4           2023, 2029, and 2035’; and

5           (ii) by redesignating subparagraphs  
6           (B) and (C) as subparagraphs (C) and  
7           (D), respectively;

8           (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
9           (A) the following:

10           “(B) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than  
11           one year after the date of the enactment of the  
12           Russian Suspension Agreement Extension Act  
13           of 2020, and every 3 years thereafter, the Sec-  
14           retary shall submit to Congress a report that  
15           includes—

16           “(i) a recommendation on the use of  
17           all publicly available data to ensure accu-  
18           rate forecasting by scenario data to com-  
19           port to actual demand for low-enriched  
20           uranium for nuclear reactors in the United  
21           States; and

22           “(ii) an identification of the steps to  
23           be taken to adjust the import limitations  
24           described in paragraph (2)(A) based on the  
25           most accurate scenario data.”; and

1 (iv) in subparagraph (D), as redesignated by clause (ii), by striking “subparagraph (B)” and inserting “subparagraph (C)”;

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5 (D) in paragraph (9), by striking “2020”  
6 and inserting “2040”;

7 (E) in paragraph (12)(B), by inserting “or  
8 the Suspension Agreement” after “the Russian  
9 HEU Agreement”; and

10 (F) by striking “(2)(B)” each place it ap-  
11 pears and inserting “(2)(C)”.

12 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by sub-  
13 section (a) apply with respect to uranium imported from  
14 the Russian Federation on or after January 1, 2021.

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