

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5272

To prevent recognition of the Taliban-controlled government of Afghanistan,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

Mr. CURTIS (for himself, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and
Mr. KINZINGER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Taliban Recognition
5 Prevention Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PREVENTION OF RECOGNITION OF TALIBAN-CON-**
7 **TROLLED GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN.**

8 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
9 gress that—

1 (1) the Taliban maintains a close partnership
2 with al Qaeda and other terrorist organizations that
3 pose a threat to the national security interests of the
4 United States; and

5 (2) the President should not—

6 (A) extend diplomatic recognition to the
7 Taliban-controlled government of Afghanistan;

8 (B) provide any funds to the Taliban, di-
9 rectly or indirectly; or

10 (C) act to relieve any bilateral or multilat-
11 eral sanctions on the Taliban or Taliban lead-
12 ers.

13 (b) RECOGNITION PREVENTION.—The Secretary of
14 State shall instruct, as appropriate, the representative of
15 the United States Government for each international orga-
16 nization in which the United States participates to use the
17 voice, vote, and influence of the United States to advocate
18 that such organization not recognize the Taliban-con-
19 trolled government of Afghanistan.

20 (c) INCLUSION OF SUBORDINATE ORGANIZATIONS.—
21 For purposes of this section, the term “Taliban” in-
22 cludes—

23 (1) subordinate organizations, including the
24 Haqqani Network; and

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1 (2) any successor organization.

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