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To provide congressional review of nuclear agreements with Iran.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRANKS of Arizona (for himself, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. YOHO, Mr. DESANTIS, Mr. SALMON, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. POSEY, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. PERRY, and Mr. CHABOT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To provide congressional review of nuclear agreements with
Iran.

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 Agree-
5 ment Accountability Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF NUCLEAR AGREE-**
2 **MENTS WITH IRAN.**

3 (a) CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF NUCLEAR AGREE-
4 MENTS WITH RESPECT TO IRAN.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date of the
6 enactment of this Act, the President, within three
7 days of the conclusion of any agreement between the
8 United States, any other party, and the Islamic Re-
9 public of Iran related to Iran’s nuclear program,
10 shall submit such agreement to Congress.

11 (2) PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—During the 15-day pe-
13 riod beginning on the date on which the Presi-
14 dent submits an agreement under paragraph
15 (1), the Committees on Foreign Relations of the
16 Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs
17 of the House of Representatives shall review
18 any such agreement and may hold hearings or
19 briefings, as appropriate.

20 (B) EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR A
21 JOINT RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL OR DIS-
22 APPROVAL.—

23 (i) IN GENERAL.—During the 15-day
24 period beginning on the day after the pe-
25 riod for review provided for in subpara-
26 graph (A), a joint resolution of approval or

1 a joint resolution of disapproval may be in-
2 troduced in the House of Representatives
3 by the Speaker, the minority leader, or
4 their respective designee, or in the Senate
5 by the majority leader, the minority leader,
6 or their respective designee, and may not
7 be amended.

8 (ii) REFERRAL.—A joint resolution of
9 approval or a joint resolution of dis-
10 approval introduced under clause (i) in the
11 Senate shall be referred to the Committee
12 on Foreign Relations and a joint resolution
13 of approval or a joint resolution of dis-
14 approval introduced under clause (i) in the
15 House of Representatives shall be referred
16 to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

17 (iii) COMMITTEE DISCHARGE AND
18 FLOOR CONSIDERATION.—The provisions
19 of subsections (c) through (f) of section
20 152 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C.
21 2192) (relating to committee discharge and
22 floor consideration of certain resolutions in
23 the House of Representatives and the Sen-
24 ate) apply to a joint resolution of approval
25 or a joint resolution of disapproval under

1 this subsection to the same extent that
2 such subsections apply to joint resolutions
3 under such section 152, except that—

4 (I) subsection (c)(1) shall be ap-
5 plied and administered by substituting
6 “10 days” for “30 days”; and

7 (II) subsection (f)(1)(A)(i) shall
8 be applied and administered by sub-
9 stituting “Committee on Foreign Re-
10 lations” for “Committee on Finance”.

11 (iv) RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REP-
12 RESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE.—This
13 subsection is enacted by Congress—

14 (I) as an exercise of the rule-
15 making power of the Senate and the
16 House of Representatives, respec-
17 tively, and as such is deemed a part
18 of the rules of each House, respec-
19 tively, but applicable only with respect
20 to the procedure to be followed in that
21 House in the case of a joint resolu-
22 tion, and it supersedes other rules
23 only to the extent that it is incon-
24 sistent with such rules; and

1 (II) with full recognition of the
2 constitutional right of either House to
3 change the rules (so far as relating to
4 the procedure of that House) at any
5 time, in the same manner and to the
6 same extent as in the case of any
7 other rule of that House.

8 (v) DEFINITIONS.—In this sub-
9 section—

10 (I) the term “joint resolution of
11 approval” means only a joint resolu-
12 tion of the 2 Houses of Congress, the
13 sole matter after the resolving clause
14 of which is as follows: “That Congress
15 approves of the agreement between
16 the United States and the Islamic Re-
17 public of Iran submitted by the Presi-
18 dent to Congress under section 2(a) of
19 the Iran Nuclear Agreement
20 Accountability Act on _____.”,
21 with the blank space being filled with
22 the appropriate date; and

23 (II) the term “joint resolution of
24 disapproval” means only a joint reso-
25 lution of the 2 Houses of Congress,

1 the sole matter after the resolving
2 clause of which is as follows: “That
3 Congress disapproves of the agree-
4 ment between the United States and
5 the Islamic Republic of Iran sub-
6 mitted by the President to Congress
7 under section 2(a) of the Iran Nuclear
8 Agreement Accountability Act on
9 _____.”, with the blank space
10 being filled with the appropriate date.

11 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
12 tion or any action taken pursuant to this section shall be
13 construed as approval of any sanctions relief in connection
14 with any agreement with respect to Iran’s nuclear pro-
15 gram.

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