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H. R. 5996

To prohibit any direct or indirect United States funding for the territory of Gaza unless certain conditions are met.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 19, 2023

Mr. KUSTOFF (for himself, Mr. LAWLER, and Mr. MILLER of Ohio)
introduced the following bill

OCTOBER 25, 2023

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 “Stop Taxpayer Fund-
5 ing of Hamas Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. RESTRICTION ON THE EXPENDITURE FOR FEDERAL**
7 **FUNDS IN GAZA.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—No United States Government
9 funds may be obligated or expended in the territory of

1 Gaza until after the President certifies to the Committee
2 on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee
3 on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives that—

4 (1) such funds can be expended without benefit-
5 ting any organization or persons that is—

6 (A) a member of Hamas, Palestinian Is-
7 lamic Jihad, or any other organization des-
8 igned by the Secretary of State as a foreign
9 terrorist organization under section 219 of the
10 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
11 1189); or

12 (B) controlled or influenced by Hamas,
13 Palestinian Islamic Jihad, or any such foreign
14 terrorist organization; and

15 (2) all hostages who were taken to Gaza by
16 Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, or any other or-
17 ganization designated by the Secretary of State as a
18 foreign terrorist organization under section 219 of
19 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
20 1189) have been freed.

21 (b) UNITED NATIONS ENTITIES.—No United States
22 Government funds may be obligated or expended in the
23 territory of Gaza through any United Nations entity or
24 office unless the President certifies to the congressional
25 committees referred to in subsection (a) that such entity

- 1 or office is not encouraging or teaching anti-Israel or anti-
- 2 Semitic ideas or propaganda.

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