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S. 179

To authorize the appropriation of an additional \$10,000,000,000 to secure critical materials and supplies to combat the COVID–19 pandemic.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 2, 2021

Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Mr. MURPHY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS TO SE-**
4 **CURE CRITICAL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES**
5 **TO COMBAT COVID–19 PANDEMIC.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-
7 priated to the Secretary of Health and Human Services
8 for fiscal year 2021 \$10,000,000,000 to secure critical
9 materials and supplies to combat the coronavirus disease

1 2019 (commonly referred to as “COVID–19”) pandemic,
2 including through efforts to expand domestic capacity to
3 manufacture such supplies through the use of authorities
4 available under the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50
5 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.).

6 (b) COORDINATION OF USE OF FUNDS.—In obli-
7 gating and expending amounts authorized to be appro-
8 priated by subsection (a), the Secretary of Health and
9 Human Services shall coordinate with the Secretary of De-
10 fense and the Secretary of Homeland Security.

11 (c) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—Amounts au-
12 thorized to be appropriated by subsection (a) shall supple-
13 ment and not supplant other amounts authorized to be
14 appropriated to secure critical materials and supplies to
15 combat the COVID–19 pandemic.

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