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S. 4315

To address the foreign production of precursor chemicals that are used for the illicit production of narcotics and psychotropic drugs and other controlled substances, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 26, 2022

Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. HAGERTY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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 “Protecting America
5 from Narcotics and Illicit Chemicals Act of 2022” or the
6 “PANIC Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. MODIFIED DEFINITION OF MAJOR ILLICIT DRUG**
2 **PRODUCING COUNTRY.**

3 Section 481(e)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of
4 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291(e)(2)) is amended—

5 (1) in subparagraph (C), by striking “; or” and
6 inserting a semicolon;

7 (2) in subparagraph (D), by inserting “or”
8 after the semicolon; and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
10 paragraph:

11 “(E) that is a direct source of covered syn-
12 thetic drugs or psychotropic drugs or other con-
13 trolled substances, including precursor chemi-
14 cals, when those precursor chemicals are used
15 in the production of such drugs and substances,
16 significantly affecting the United States;”.

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