A BILL

To prohibit the importation into the United States of unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation or by a Russian entity, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Reduce Russian Uranium Imports Act”.
SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE USEC PRIVATIZATION ACT.

(a) Prohibition on Imports.—Section 3112A of the USEC Privatization Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(d) Prohibition on Imports of Low-Enriched Uranium.—

“(1) Prohibition.—Beginning on the date that is 90 days after the date of the enactment of this subsection, and subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), no unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation or by a Russian entity may be imported into the United States.

“(2) Waiver.—

“(A) In general.—Subject to subparagraphs (B) and (C), the Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Commerce, may waive the application of paragraph (1) to authorize the importation of low-enriched uranium described in that paragraph if the Secretary of Energy determines that—

“(i) no alternative viable source of low-enriched uranium is available to sustain the continued operation of a nuclear reactor or a United States nuclear energy company; or
“(ii) importation of low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation or by a Russian entity is in the national interest.

“(B) LIMITATION ON AMOUNTS OF IMPORTS OF LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The importation into the United States of low-enriched uranium, including low-enriched uranium obtained under contracts for separative work units, that is produced in the Russian Federation or by a Russian entity, whether or not such low-enriched uranium is derived from highly enriched uranium of weapons origin, may not exceed—

“(I) in calendar year 2023, 578,877 kilograms;

“(II) in calendar year 2024, 476,536 kilograms;

“(III) in calendar year 2025, 470,376 kilograms;

“(IV) in calendar year 2026, 464,183 kilograms; and

“(V) in calendar year 2027, 459,083 kilograms.
“(ii) **Administration.**—The Secretary of Commerce shall—

“(I) administer the import limitations described in clause (i) in accordance with the provisions of the Suspension Agreement, including the provisions described in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i);

“(II) be responsible for enforcing the import limitations described in clause (i); and

“(III) enforce the import limitations described in clause (i) in a manner that imposes a minimal burden on the commercial nuclear industry.

“(C) **Termination.**—Any waiver issued under subparagraph (A) shall terminate not later than January 1, 2028.

“(D) **Notification to Congress.**—

“(i) **In general.**—Upon issuing a waiver under subparagraph (A), the Secretary of Energy shall submit to the committees specified in clause (ii) a notification that a waiver has been issued, which
shall include identification of the recipient
of the waiver.

“(ii) COMMITTEES SPECIFIED.—The
committees specified in this clause are—

“(I) the Committee on Energy
and Natural Resources and the Com-
mittee on Finance of the Senate; and

“(II) the Committee on Energy
and Commerce and the Committee on
Ways and Means of the House of
Representatives.

“(3) APPLICABILITY.—This subsection does not
apply to imports—

“(A) by or under contract to the Depart-
ment of Energy for national security or non-
proliferation purposes; or

“(B) of non-uranium isotopes.

“(4) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this
subsection shall terminate on December 31, 2040.

“(5) RUSSIAN ENTITY DEFINED.—In this sub-
section, the term ‘Russian entity’ means an entity
organized under the laws of or otherwise subject to
the jurisdiction of the Government of the Russian
Federation.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3112A(c) of the USEC Privatization Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a(c)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) in clause (viii), by inserting “and” after the semicolon at the end;

(II) in clause (ix), by striking the semicolon and inserting a period; and

(III) by striking clauses (x) through (xxvii); and

(ii) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking “paragraph (10)” and inserting “paragraph (9)”;

(B) in paragraph (3), by striking “United States” and all that follows through “for processing” and inserting “United States for processing”;

(C) by striking paragraph (5);

(D) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through (12) as paragraphs (5) through (11), respectively;

(E) in paragraph (5), as redesignated by subparagraph (D), by striking “In addition to
the adjustment under paragraph (5)(A), the”
and inserting “The”;

(F) in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (7),
as so redesignated, by striking “paragraph
(10)” and inserting “paragraph (9)”;

(G) in paragraph (8), as so redesignated,
by striking “December 31, 2040” and inserting
“the date described in subsection (d)(1)”; and

(H) in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (9),
as so redesignated, by striking “paragraphs
(2)(C) and (8)” and inserting “paragraphs
(2)(C) and (7)”.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment to sec-
tion 3112A(c)(2)(A)(x) of the USEC Privatization
Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a(c)(2)(A)(x)) made by
paragraph (1)(A) of this subsection shall take effect
on the date that is 90 days after the date of the en-
actment of this Act.