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To prohibit the importation of wood and related articles from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. WESTERMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To prohibit the importation of wood and related articles from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus, and for other purposes.

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 “No Timber From Ty-
5 rants Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON THE IMPORTATION OF WOOD AND**
2 **RELATED ARTICLES FROM THE RUSSIAN**
3 **FEDERATION AND THE REPUBLIC OF**
4 **BELARUS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall prohibit the
6 importation into the United States of all wood and related
7 articles classifiable under chapter 44 of the Harmonized
8 Tariff Schedule of the United States that are determined
9 to originate from the Russian Federation or the Republic
10 of Belarus, without regard to whether such articles are
11 shipped through third countries.

12 (b) TERMINATION.—The President may terminate
13 the prohibition under subsection (a) with respect to either
14 the Russian Federation or the Republic of Belarus (or
15 both) beginning 90 days after the date on which the Presi-
16 dent certifies to Congress that the Russian Federation or
17 the Republic of Belarus (or both, as applicable)—

18 (1) has reached an agreement relating to the
19 respective withdrawal of Russian or Belarusian
20 forces (or both, if applicable) and cessation of mili-
21 tary hostilities that is accepted by the free and inde-
22 pendent government of Ukraine;

23 (2) poses no immediate military threat of ag-
24 gression to any North Atlantic Treaty Organization
25 member; and

1 (3) recognizes the right of the people of
2 Ukraine to independently and freely choose their
3 own government.

4 **SEC. 3. TIMBER PRODUCTION TO REPLACE PROHIBITED**
5 **IMPORTS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
7 sion of law, the Secretary concerned—

8 (1) shall authorize timber harvest in an amount
9 sufficient to equal the volume, with respect to cal-
10 endar year 2021, of imports of wood and related ar-
11 ticles described in section 2; and

12 (2) may only authorize timber harvest under
13 paragraph (1)—

14 (A) on public lands or National Forest
15 System lands designated as suitable for timber
16 production; and

17 (B) in accordance with the allowable sale
18 quantity of timber applicable to such lands on
19 the date of the enactment of this Act.

20 (b) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary concerned shall
21 not approve any forest plan or land management plan revi-
22 sion that reduces the allowable sale quantity of timber
23 under the plan unless the Secretary concerned submits a
24 written explanation to the Committees on Agriculture and
25 Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and

1 Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and
2 Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate certifying
3 that such revision will not interfere with the obligations
4 of the Secretary concerned under subsection (a).

5 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
6 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture and
7 Secretary of the Interior shall each submit a report to the
8 Committees specified in subsection (b) that includes—

9 (1) a list of timber sales initiated and com-
10 pleted by the Secretary concerned to fulfill the obli-
11 gations established under subsection (a); and

12 (2) a list of planned timber sales proposed by
13 the Secretary concerned to fulfill the obligations es-
14 tablished under subsection (a).

15 (b) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this sec-
16 tion, the term “Secretary concerned” means—

17 (1) the Secretary of the Interior, with respect
18 to public lands; and

19 (2) the Secretary of Agriculture, with respect to
20 National Forest System lands.