

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 6177

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit contributions and donations by foreign nationals in connection with ballot initiatives and referenda.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 8, 2021

Mr. BANKS (for himself and Ms. SPANBERGER) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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 Ballot
5 Measures From Foreign Influence Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON CONTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS**
2 **BY FOREIGN NATIONALS IN CONNECTION**
3 **WITH BALLOT INITIATIVES AND REFERENDA.**

4 (a) PROHIBITION.—Section 319(a)(1)(A) of the Fed-
5 eral Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C.
6 30121(a)(1)(A)) is amended by inserting “, or a State or
7 local ballot initiative or ballot referendum” after “elec-
8 tion”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 this section shall apply with respect to contributions and
11 donations made on or after the date of enactment of this
12 Act.

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