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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 28, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. COHEN, Ms. CHENEY, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. WALTZ, and Mr. MALINOWSKI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Ukraine Democracy
3 Defense Lend-Lease Act of 2022”.

4 **SEC. 2. LOAN AND LEASE OF DEFENSE ARTICLES TO THE**
5 **GOVERNMENT OF UKRAINE.**

6 (a) **AUTHORITY TO LEND OR LEASE DEFENSE ARTI-**
7 **CLES TO THE GOVERNMENT OF UKRAINE.—**

8 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to the provisions of
9 law described in paragraph (2), for fiscal years 2022
10 and 2023, the President may authorize the United
11 States Government to lend or lease defense articles
12 to the Government of Ukraine to help bolster
13 Ukraine’s defense capabilities and protect its civilian
14 population from potential invasion by the armed
15 forces of the Government of the Russian Federation.

16 (2) **EXCLUSIONS.**—For the purposes of the au-
17 thority described in paragraph (1), the following
18 provisions of law shall not apply:

19 (A) Section 503(b)(3) of the Foreign As-
20 sistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2311(b)(3)).

21 (B) Sections 61 and 63 of the Arms Ex-
22 port Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2796, 2796b).

23 (3) **WAIVER OF CERTAIN REPORT REQUIRE-**
24 **MENTS.**—Congress finds that an emergency exists
25 for purposes of subsection (b) of section 62 of the
26 Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2796a), and

1 the requirements of subsection (b) of such section
2 are waived.

3 (4) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—The Presi-
4 dent may delegate the enhanced authority described
5 in paragraph (1) only to an official appointed by the
6 President by and with the advice and consent of the
7 Senate.

8 (b) PROCEDURES FOR DELIVERY OF DEFENSE ARTI-
9 CLES.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enact-
10 ment of this Act, the President shall establish expedited
11 procedures for the delivery of any defense article loaned
12 or leased to the Government of Ukraine under an agree-
13 ment entered into under subsection (a) to ensure timely
14 delivery of the article to that Government.

15 (c) DEFINITION OF DEFENSE ARTICLE.—In this Act,
16 the term “defense article” has the meaning given that
17 term in section 47 of the Arms Export Control Act (22
18 U.S.C. 2794).

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