

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6821

To prohibit the importation of seafood and seafood products from the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 22, 2022

Mr. YOUNG introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 “United States-Russian
5 Federation Seafood Reciprocity Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress makes the following findings:

8 (1) In 2014, the Russian Federation invaded
9 and annexed the Crimean Peninsula from Ukraine.

1 (2) The United States and its allies imposed
2 sanctions with respect to the Russian Federation as
3 a result of that hostile and illegal action.

4 (3) In retaliation, the Government of the Rus-
5 sian Federation imposed an embargo on agricultural
6 products, including seafood, imported from the
7 United States, the European Union, Australia, Can-
8 ada, and Norway.

9 (4) Before imposing the embargo, the Russian
10 Federation was an important export market for
11 United States seafood products.

12 (5) Russian-origin seafood products continue to
13 enter into the United States market without restric-
14 tion and imports of such products increased roughly
15 173 percent in value between 2013, the year before
16 the imposition of the embargo, and 2020.

17 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF SEAFOOD AND**
18 **SEAFOOD PRODUCTS FROM THE RUSSIAN**
19 **FEDERATION.**

20 The importation into the United States from the Rus-
21 sian Federation of any article classifiable under chapter
22 3 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States
23 is prohibited.

1 **SEC. 4. TERMINATION.**

2 The prohibition under section 3 shall terminate on
3 the date on which the President determines and certifies
4 Congress that the Government of the Russian Federation
5 has terminated its prohibition on the importation of sea-
6 food products from the United States.

7 **SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

8 Section 3 applies with respect to articles entered, or
9 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
10 the date that is 15 days after the date of the enactment
11 of this Act.

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