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**S. 615**

To provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran’s nuclear program, and for other purposes.

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to be proposed by Mr. CORKER

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Iran Nuclear Agree-  
5 ment Review Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT OF**

7 **AGREEMENTS WITH IRAN RELATING TO THE**

8 **NUCLEAR PROGRAM OF IRAN.**

9 The Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et  
10 seq.) is amended by inserting after section 134 the fol-  
11 lowing new section:

1 **“SEC. 135. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT OF**  
2 **AGREEMENTS WITH IRAN.**

3 “(a) TRANSMISSION TO CONGRESS OF NUCLEAR  
4 AGREEMENTS WITH IRAN AND VERIFICATION ASSESS-  
5 MENT WITH RESPECT TO SUCH AGREEMENTS.—

6 “(1) TRANSMISSION OF AGREEMENTS.—Not  
7 later than 5 calendar days after reaching an agree-  
8 ment with Iran relating to the nuclear program of  
9 Iran, the President shall transmit to the appropriate  
10 congressional committees and leadership—

11 “(A) the agreement, as defined in sub-  
12 section (h)(1), including all related materials  
13 and annexes;

14 “(B) a verification assessment report of  
15 the Secretary of State prepared under para-  
16 graph (2) with respect to the agreement; and

17 “(C) a certification that—

18 “(i) the agreement includes the appro-  
19 priate terms, conditions, and duration of  
20 the agreement’s requirements with respect  
21 to Iran’s nuclear activities and provisions  
22 describing any sanctions to be waived, sus-  
23 pended, or otherwise reduced by the  
24 United States, and any other nation or en-  
25 tity, including the United Nations; and

1           “(ii) the President determines the  
2           agreement meets United States non-pro-  
3           liferation objectives, does not jeopardize  
4           the common defense and security, provides  
5           an adequate framework to ensure that  
6           Iran’s nuclear activities permitted there-  
7           under will not be inimical to or constitute  
8           an unreasonable risk to the common de-  
9           fense and security, and ensures that Iran’s  
10          nuclear activities permitted thereunder will  
11          not be used to further any nuclear-related  
12          military or nuclear explosive purpose, in-  
13          cluding for any research on or development  
14          of any nuclear explosive device or any  
15          other nuclear-related military purpose.

16          “(2) VERIFICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT.—

17                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of  
18          State shall prepare, with respect to an agree-  
19          ment described in paragraph (1), a report as-  
20          sessing—

21                         “(i) the extent to which the Secretary  
22                         will be able to verify that Iran is complying  
23                         with its obligations and commitments  
24                         under the agreement;

1           “(ii) the adequacy of the safeguards  
2           and other control mechanisms and other  
3           assurances contained in the agreement  
4           with respect to Iran’s nuclear program to  
5           ensure Iran’s activities permitted there-  
6           under will not be used to further any nu-  
7           clear-related military or nuclear explosive  
8           purpose, including for any research on or  
9           development of any nuclear explosive de-  
10          vice or any other nuclear-related military  
11          purpose; and

12           “(iii) the capacity and capability of  
13          the International Atomic Energy Agency to  
14          effectively implement the verification re-  
15          gime required by or related to the agree-  
16          ment, including whether the International  
17          Atomic Energy Agency will have sufficient  
18          access to investigate suspicious sites or al-  
19          legations of covert nuclear-related activities  
20          and whether it has the required funding,  
21          manpower, and authority to undertake the  
22          verification regime required by or related  
23          to the agreement.

24           “(B) ASSUMPTIONS.—In preparing a re-  
25          port under subparagraph (A) with respect to an

1 agreement described in paragraph (1), the Sec-  
2 retary shall assume that Iran could—

3 “(i) use all measures not expressly  
4 prohibited by the agreement to conceal ac-  
5 tivities that violate its obligations and com-  
6 mitments under the agreement; and

7 “(ii) alter or deviate from standard  
8 practices in order to impede efforts to  
9 verify that Iran is complying with those  
10 obligations and commitments.

11 “(C) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—A report under  
12 subparagraph (A) shall be transmitted in un-  
13 classified form, but shall include a classified  
14 annex prepared in consultation with the Direc-  
15 tor of National Intelligence, summarizing rel-  
16 evant classified information.

17 “(3) EXCEPTION.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Neither the require-  
19 ments of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of para-  
20 graph (1), nor subsections (b) through (g) of  
21 this section, shall apply to an agreement de-  
22 scribed in subsection (h)(5) or to the EU–Iran  
23 Joint Statement made on April 2, 2015.

24 “(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—Not-  
25 withstanding subparagraph (A), any agreement

1 as defined in subsection (h)(1) and any related  
2 materials, whether concluded before or after the  
3 date of the enactment of this section, shall not  
4 be subject to the exception in subparagraph  
5 (A).

6 “(b) PERIOD FOR REVIEW BY CONGRESS OF NU-  
7 CLEAR AGREEMENTS WITH IRAN.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—During the 30-calendar day  
9 period following transmittal by the President of an  
10 agreement pursuant to subsection (a), the Com-  
11 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the  
12 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
13 resentatives shall, as appropriate, hold hearings and  
14 briefings and otherwise obtain information in order  
15 to fully review such agreement.

16 “(2) EXCEPTION.—The period for congressional  
17 review under paragraph (1) shall be 60 calendar  
18 days if an agreement, including all materials re-  
19 quired to be transmitted to Congress pursuant to  
20 subsection (a)(1), is transmitted pursuant to sub-  
21 section (a) between July 10, 2015, and September  
22 7, 2015.

23 “(3) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS DURING INITIAL  
24 CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW PERIOD.—Notwithstanding  
25 any other provision of law, except as provided in

1 paragraph (6), prior to and during the period for  
2 transmission of an agreement in subsection (a)(1)  
3 and during the period for congressional review pro-  
4 vided in paragraph (1), including any additional pe-  
5 riod as applicable under the exception provided in  
6 paragraph (2), the President may not waive, sus-  
7 pend, reduce, provide relief from, or otherwise limit  
8 the application of statutory sanctions with respect to  
9 Iran under any provision of law or refrain from ap-  
10 plying any such sanctions pursuant to an agreement  
11 described in subsection (a).

12 “(4) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS DURING PRESI-  
13 DENTIAL CONSIDERATION OF A JOINT RESOLUTION  
14 OF DISAPPROVAL.—Notwithstanding any other pro-  
15 vision of law, except as provided in paragraph (6),  
16 if a joint resolution of disapproval described in sub-  
17 section (c)(2)(B) passes the Congress, the President  
18 may not waive, suspend, reduce, provide relief from,  
19 or otherwise limit the application of statutory sanc-  
20 tions with respect to Iran under any provision of law  
21 or refrain from applying any such sanctions pursu-  
22 ant to an agreement described in subsection (a) for  
23 a period of 12 calendar days following the date of  
24 passage of the joint resolution of disapproval.

1           “(5) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS DURING CON-  
2           GRESSIONAL RECONSIDERATION OF A JOINT RESO-  
3           LUTION OF DISAPPROVAL.—Notwithstanding any  
4           other provision of law, except as provided in para-  
5           graph (6), if a joint resolution of disapproval de-  
6           scribed in subsection (c)(2)(B) passes the Congress,  
7           and the President vetoes such joint resolution, the  
8           President may not waive, suspend, reduce, provide  
9           relief from, or otherwise limit the application of stat-  
10          utory sanctions with respect to Iran under any pro-  
11          vision of law or refrain from applying any such sanc-  
12          tions pursuant to an agreement described in sub-  
13          section (a) for a period of 10 calendar days following  
14          the date of the President’s veto.

15          “(6) EXCEPTION.—The prohibitions under  
16          paragraphs (3) through (5) do not apply to any new  
17          deferral, waiver, or other suspension of statutory  
18          sanctions pursuant to the Joint Plan of Action if  
19          that deferral, waiver, or other suspension is made—

20                 “(A) consistent with the law in effect on  
21                 the date of the enactment of the Iran Nuclear  
22                 Agreement Review Act of 2015; and

23                 “(B) not later than 45 calendar days be-  
24                 fore the transmission by the President of an



1 agreement, assessment report, and certification  
2 under subsection (a).

3 “(c) EFFECT OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION WITH RE-  
4 SPECT TO NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS WITH IRAN.—

5 “(1) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of  
6 Congress that—

7 “(A) the sanctions regime imposed on Iran  
8 by Congress is primarily responsible for bring-  
9 ing Iran to the table to negotiate on its nuclear  
10 program;

11 “(B) these negotiations are a critically im-  
12 portant matter of national security and foreign  
13 policy for the United States and its closest al-  
14 lies;

15 “(C) this section does not require a vote by  
16 Congress for the agreement to commence;

17 “(D) this section provides for congressional  
18 review, including, as appropriate, for approval,  
19 disapproval, or no action on statutory sanctions  
20 relief under an agreement; and

21 “(E) even though the agreement may com-  
22 mence, because the sanctions regime was im-  
23 posed by Congress and only Congress can per-  
24 manently modify or eliminate that regime, it is  
25 critically important that Congress have the op-

1 portunity, in an orderly and deliberative man-  
2 ner, to consider and, as appropriate, take action  
3 affecting the statutory sanctions regime im-  
4 posed by Congress.

5 “(2) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
6 provision of law, action involving any measure of  
7 statutory sanctions relief by the United States pur-  
8 suant to an agreement subject to subsection (a) or  
9 the Joint Plan of Action—

10 “(A) may be taken, consistent with exist-  
11 ing statutory requirements for such action, if,  
12 during the period for review provided in sub-  
13 section (b), the Congress adopts, and there is  
14 enacted, a joint resolution stating in substance  
15 that the Congress does favor the agreement;

16 “(B) may not be taken if, during the pe-  
17 riod for review provided in subsection (b), the  
18 Congress adopts, and there is enacted, a joint  
19 resolution stating in substance that the Con-  
20 gress does not favor the agreement; or

21 “(C) may be taken, consistent with exist-  
22 ing statutory requirements for such action, if,  
23 following the period for review provided in sub-  
24 section (b), there is not enacted any such joint  
25 resolution.

1           “(3) DEFINITION.—For the purposes of this  
2 subsection, the phrase ‘action involving any measure  
3 of statutory sanctions relief by the United States’  
4 shall include waiver, suspension, reduction, or other  
5 effort to provide relief from, or otherwise limit the  
6 application of statutory sanctions with respect to,  
7 Iran under any provision of law or any other effort  
8 to refrain from applying any such sanctions.

9           “(d) CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OF IRANIAN COM-  
10 PLIANCE WITH NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS.—

11           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall keep  
12 the appropriate congressional committees and lead-  
13 ership fully and currently informed of all aspects of  
14 Iranian compliance with respect to an agreement  
15 subject to subsection (a).

16           “(2) POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT BREACHES  
17 AND COMPLIANCE INCIDENTS.—The President shall,  
18 within 10 calendar days of receiving credible and ac-  
19 curate information relating to a potentially signifi-  
20 cant breach or compliance incident by Iran with re-  
21 spect to an agreement subject to subsection (a), sub-  
22 mit such information to the appropriate congress-  
23 sional committees and leadership.

24           “(3) MATERIAL BREACH REPORT.—Not later  
25 than 30 calendar days after submitting information

1 about a potentially significant breach or compliance  
2 incident pursuant to paragraph (2), the President  
3 shall make a determination whether such potentially  
4 significant breach or compliance issue constitutes a  
5 material breach and, if there is such a material  
6 breach, whether Iran has cured such material  
7 breach, and shall submit to the appropriate congress-  
8 sional committees and leadership such determina-  
9 tion, accompanied by, as appropriate, a report on  
10 the action or failure to act by Iran that led to the  
11 material breach, actions necessary for Iran to cure  
12 the breach, and the status of Iran's efforts to cure  
13 the breach.

14 “(4) SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than  
15 180 calendar days after entering into an agreement  
16 described in subsection (a), and not less frequently  
17 than once every 180 calendar days thereafter, the  
18 President shall submit to the appropriate congress-  
19 sional committees and leadership a report on Iran's  
20 nuclear program and the compliance of Iran with  
21 the agreement during the period covered by the re-  
22 port, including the following elements:

23 “(A) Any action or failure to act by Iran  
24 that breached the agreement or is in noncompli-  
25 ance with the terms of the agreement.

1           “(B) Any delay by Iran of more than one  
2 week in providing inspectors access to facilities,  
3 people, and documents in Iran as required by  
4 the agreement.

5           “(C) Any progress made by Iran to resolve  
6 concerns by the International Atomic Energy  
7 Agency about possible military dimensions of  
8 Iran’s nuclear program.

9           “(D) Any procurement by Iran of mate-  
10 rials in violation of the agreement or which  
11 could otherwise significantly advance Iran’s  
12 ability to obtain a nuclear weapon.

13           “(E) Any centrifuge research and develop-  
14 ment conducted by Iran that—

15                 “(i) is not in compliance with the  
16 agreement; or

17                 “(ii) may substantially enhance the  
18 breakout time of acquisition of a nuclear  
19 weapon by Iran, if deployed.

20           “(F) Any diversion by Iran of uranium,  
21 carbon-fiber, or other materials for use in  
22 Iran’s nuclear program in violation of the  
23 agreement.

24           “(G) Any covert nuclear activities under-  
25 taken by Iran, including any covert nuclear

1 weapons-related or covert fissile material activi-  
2 ties or research and development.

3 “(H) An assessment of whether any Ira-  
4 nian financial institutions are engaged in money  
5 laundering or terrorist finance activities, includ-  
6 ing names of specific financial institutions if ap-  
7 plicable.

8 “(I) Iran’s advances in its ballistic missile  
9 program, including developments related to its  
10 long-range and inter-continental ballistic missile  
11 programs.

12 “(J) An assessment of—

13 “(i) whether Iran directly supported,  
14 financed, planned, or carried out an act of  
15 terrorism against the United States or a  
16 United States person anywhere in the  
17 world;

18 “(ii) whether, and the extent to which,  
19 Iran supported acts of terrorism, including  
20 acts of terrorism against the United States  
21 or a United States person anywhere in the  
22 world;

23 “(iii) all actions, including in inter-  
24 national fora, being taken by the United  
25 States to stop, counter, and condemn acts

1 by Iran to directly or indirectly carry out  
2 acts of terrorism against the United States  
3 and United States persons;

4 “(iv) the impact on the national secu-  
5 rity of the United States and the safety of  
6 United States citizens as a result of any  
7 Iranian actions reported under this para-  
8 graph; and

9 “(v) all of the sanctions relief pro-  
10 vided to Iran, pursuant to the agreement,  
11 and a description of the relationship be-  
12 tween each sanction waived, suspended, or  
13 deferred and Iran’s nuclear weapon’s pro-  
14 gram.

15 “(K) An assessment of whether violations  
16 of internationally recognized human rights in  
17 Iran have changed, increased, or decreased, as  
18 compared to the prior 180-day period.

19 “(5) ADDITIONAL REPORTS AND INFORMA-  
20 TION.—

21 “(A) AGENCY REPORTS.—Following sub-  
22 mission of an agreement pursuant to subsection  
23 (a) to the appropriate congressional committees  
24 and leadership, the Department of State, the  
25 Department of Energy, and the Department of

1 Defense shall, upon the request of any of those  
2 committees or leadership, promptly furnish to  
3 those committees or leadership their views as to  
4 whether the safeguards and other controls con-  
5 tained in the agreement with respect to Iran’s  
6 nuclear program provide an adequate frame-  
7 work to ensure that Iran’s activities permitted  
8 thereunder will not be inimical to or constitute  
9 an unreasonable risk to the common defense  
10 and security.

11 “(B) PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON NU-  
12 CLEAR INITIATIVES WITH IRAN.—The President  
13 shall keep the appropriate congressional com-  
14 mittees and leadership fully and currently in-  
15 formed of any initiative or negotiations with  
16 Iran relating to Iran’s nuclear program, includ-  
17 ing any new or amended agreement.

18 “(6) COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION.—After the  
19 review period provided in subsection (b), the Presi-  
20 dent shall, not less than every 90 calendar days—

21 “(A) determine whether the President is  
22 able to certify that—

23 “(i) Iran is transparently, verifiably,  
24 and fully implementing the agreement, in-



1 cluding all related technical or additional  
2 agreements;

3 “(ii) Iran has not committed a mate-  
4 rial breach with respect to the agreement  
5 or, if Iran has committed a material  
6 breach, Iran has cured the material  
7 breach;

8 “(iii) Iran has not taken any action,  
9 including covert action, that could signifi-  
10 cantly advance its nuclear weapons pro-  
11 gram; and

12 “(iv) suspension of sanctions related  
13 to Iran pursuant to the agreement is—

14 “(I) appropriate and propor-  
15 tionate to the specific and verifiable  
16 measures taken by Iran with respect  
17 to terminating its illicit nuclear pro-  
18 gram; and

19 “(II) vital to the national secu-  
20 rity interests of the United States;  
21 and

22 “(B) if the President determines he is able  
23 to make the certification described in subpara-  
24 graph (A), make such certification to the appro-  
25 priate congressional committees and leadership.

1           “(7) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of  
2 Congress that—

3           “(A) United States sanctions on Iran for  
4 terrorism, human rights abuses, and ballistic  
5 missiles will remain in place under an agree-  
6 ment, as defined in subsection (h)(1);

7           “(B) issues not addressed by an agreement  
8 on the nuclear program of Iran, including fair  
9 and appropriate compensation for Americans  
10 who were terrorized and subjected to torture  
11 while held in captivity for 444 days after the  
12 seizure of the United States Embassy in  
13 Tehran, Iran, in 1979 and their families, the  
14 freedom of Americans held in Iran, the human  
15 rights abuses of the Government of Iran against  
16 its own people, and the continued support of  
17 terrorism worldwide by the Government of Iran,  
18 are matters critical to ensure justice and the  
19 national security of the United States, and  
20 should be expeditiously addressed;

21           “(C) the President should determine the  
22 agreement in no way compromises the commit-  
23 ment of the United States to Israel’s security,  
24 nor its support for Israel’s right to exist; and

1           “(D) in order to responsibly implement  
2           any long-term agreement reached between the  
3           P5+1 countries and Iran, it is critically impor-  
4           tant that Congress have the opportunity to re-  
5           view any agreement and, as necessary, take ac-  
6           tion to modify the statutory sanctions regime  
7           imposed by Congress.

8           “(e) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLA-  
9           TION.—

10           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In the event the President  
11           does not submit a certification pursuant to sub-  
12           section (d)(6) or has determined pursuant to sub-  
13           section (d)(3) that Iran has materially breached an  
14           agreement subject to subsection (a) and the material  
15           breach has not been cured, Congress may initiate  
16           within 60 calendar days expedited consideration of  
17           qualifying legislation pursuant to this subsection.

18           “(2) QUALIFYING LEGISLATION DEFINED.—For  
19           purposes of this subsection, the term ‘qualifying leg-  
20           islation’ means only a bill of either House of Con-  
21           gress—

22           “(A) the title of which is as follows: ‘A bill  
23           reinstating statutory sanctions imposed with re-  
24           spect to Iran.’; and

1           “(B) the matter after the enacting clause  
2 of which is: ‘Any statutory sanctions imposed  
3 with respect to Iran pursuant to \_\_\_\_\_  
4 that were waived, suspended, reduced, or other-  
5 wise relieved pursuant to an agreement sub-  
6 mitted pursuant to section 135(a) of the Atomic  
7 Energy Act of 1954 are hereby reinstated and  
8 any action by the United States Government to  
9 facilitate the release of funds or assets to Iran  
10 pursuant to such agreement, or provide any  
11 further waiver, suspension, reduction, or other  
12 relief pursuant to such agreement is hereby  
13 prohibited.’, with the blank space being filled in  
14 with the law or laws under which sanctions are  
15 to be reinstated.

16           “(3) INTRODUCTION.—During the 60-calendar  
17 day period provided for in paragraph (1), qualifying  
18 legislation may be introduced—

19           “(A) in the House of Representatives, by  
20 the majority leader or the minority leader; and

21           “(B) in the Senate, by the majority leader  
22 (or the majority leader’s designee) or the mi-  
23 nority leader (or the minority leader’s des-  
24 ignee).

1           “(4) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN HOUSE OF  
2 REPRESENTATIVES.—

3           “(A) REPORTING AND DISCHARGE.—If a  
4 committee of the House to which qualifying leg-  
5 islation has been referred has not reported such  
6 qualifying legislation within 10 legislative days  
7 after the date of referral, that committee shall  
8 be discharged from further consideration there-  
9 of.

10           “(B) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—  
11 Beginning on the third legislative day after  
12 each committee to which qualifying legislation  
13 has been referred reports it to the House or has  
14 been discharged from further consideration  
15 thereof, it shall be in order to move to proceed  
16 to consider the qualifying legislation in the  
17 House. All points of order against the motion  
18 are waived. Such a motion shall not be in order  
19 after the House has disposed of a motion to  
20 proceed on the qualifying legislation with regard  
21 to the same agreement. The previous question  
22 shall be considered as ordered on the motion to  
23 its adoption without intervening motion. The  
24 motion shall not be debatable. A motion to re-

1 consider the vote by which the motion is dis-  
2 posed of shall not be in order.

3 “(C) CONSIDERATION.—The qualifying  
4 legislation shall be considered as read. All  
5 points of order against the qualifying legislation  
6 and against its consideration are waived. The  
7 previous question shall be considered as ordered  
8 on the qualifying legislation to final passage  
9 without intervening motion except two hours of  
10 debate equally divided and controlled by the  
11 sponsor of the qualifying legislation (or a des-  
12 ignee) and an opponent. A motion to reconsider  
13 the vote on passage of the qualifying legislation  
14 shall not be in order.

15 “(5) CONSIDERATION IN THE SENATE.—

16 “(A) COMMITTEE REFERRAL.—Qualifying  
17 legislation introduced in the Senate shall be re-  
18 ferred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

19 “(B) REPORTING AND DISCHARGE.—If the  
20 Committee on Foreign Relations has not re-  
21 ported such qualifying legislation within 10 ses-  
22 sion days after the date of referral of such leg-  
23 islation, that committee shall be discharged  
24 from further consideration of such legislation

1 and the qualifying legislation shall be placed on  
2 the appropriate calendar.

3 “(C) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—  
4 Notwithstanding Rule XXII of the Standing  
5 Rules of the Senate, it is in order at any time  
6 after the committee authorized to consider  
7 qualifying legislation reports it to the Senate or  
8 has been discharged from its consideration  
9 (even though a previous motion to the same ef-  
10 fect has been disagreed to) to move to proceed  
11 to the consideration of qualifying legislation,  
12 and all points of order against qualifying legis-  
13 lation (and against consideration of the quali-  
14 fying legislation) are waived. The motion to  
15 proceed is not debatable. The motion is not sub-  
16 ject to a motion to postpone. A motion to recon-  
17 sider the vote by which the motion is agreed to  
18 or disagreed to shall not be in order. If a mo-  
19 tion to proceed to the consideration of the  
20 qualifying legislation is agreed to, the qualifying  
21 legislation shall remain the unfinished business  
22 until disposed of.

23 “(D) DEBATE.—Debate on qualifying leg-  
24 islation, and on all debatable motions and ap-  
25 peals in connection therewith, shall be limited

1 to not more than 10 hours, which shall be di-  
2 vided equally between the majority and minority  
3 leaders or their designees. A motion to further  
4 limit debate is in order and not debatable. An  
5 amendment to, or a motion to postpone, or a  
6 motion to proceed to the consideration of other  
7 business, or a motion to recommit the quali-  
8 fying legislation is not in order.

9 “(E) VOTE ON PASSAGE.—The vote on  
10 passage shall occur immediately following the  
11 conclusion of the debate on the qualifying legis-  
12 lation and a single quorum call at the conclu-  
13 sion of the debate, if requested in accordance  
14 with the rules of the Senate.

15 “(F) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCE-  
16 DURE.—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair  
17 relating to the application of the rules of the  
18 Senate, as the case may be, to the procedure re-  
19 lating to qualifying legislation shall be decided  
20 without debate.

21 “(G) CONSIDERATION OF VETO MES-  
22 SAGES.—Debate in the Senate of any veto mes-  
23 sages with respect to qualifying legislation, in-  
24 cluding all debatable motions and appeals in  
25 connection with such qualifying legislation, shall



1 be limited to 10 hours, to be equally divided be-  
2 tween, and controlled by, the majority leader  
3 and the minority leader or their designees.

4 “(6) RULES RELATING TO SENATE AND HOUSE  
5 OF REPRESENTATIVES.—

6 “(A) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY  
7 OTHER HOUSE.—If, before the passage by one  
8 House of qualifying legislation of that House,  
9 that House receives qualifying legislation from  
10 the other House, then the following procedures  
11 shall apply:

12 “(i) The qualifying legislation of the  
13 other House shall not be referred to a com-  
14 mittee.

15 “(ii) With respect to qualifying legis-  
16 lation of the House receiving the legisla-  
17 tion—

18 “(I) the procedure in that House  
19 shall be the same as if no qualifying  
20 legislation had been received from the  
21 other House; but

22 “(II) the vote on passage shall be  
23 on the qualifying legislation of the  
24 other House.

1           “(B) TREATMENT OF A BILL OF OTHER  
2 HOUSE.—If one House fails to introduce quali-  
3 fying legislation under this section, the quali-  
4 fying legislation of the other House shall be en-  
5 titled to expedited floor procedures under this  
6 section.

7           “(C) TREATMENT OF COMPANION MEAS-  
8 URES.—If, following passage of the qualifying  
9 legislation in the Senate, the Senate then re-  
10 ceives a companion measure from the House of  
11 Representatives, the companion measure shall  
12 not be debatable.

13           “(D) APPLICATION TO REVENUE MEAS-  
14 URES.—The provisions of this paragraph shall  
15 not apply in the House of Representatives to  
16 qualifying legislation which is a revenue meas-  
17 ure.

18           “(f) RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND  
19 SENATE.—Subsection (e) is enacted by Congress—

20           “(1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of  
21 the Senate and the House of Representatives, re-  
22 spectively, and as such are deemed a part of the  
23 rules of each House, respectively, but applicable only  
24 with respect to the procedure to be followed in that  
25 House in the case of legislation described in those

1 sections, and supersede other rules only to the ex-  
2 tent that they are inconsistent with such rules; and

3 “(2) with full recognition of the constitutional  
4 right of either House to change the rules (so far as  
5 relating to the procedure of that House) at any time,  
6 in the same manner, and to the same extent as in  
7 the case of any other rule of that House.

8 “(g) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in the sec-  
9 tion shall be construed as—

10 “(1) modifying, or having any other impact on,  
11 the President’s authority to negotiate, enter into, or  
12 implement appropriate executive agreements, other  
13 than the restrictions on implementation of the agree-  
14 ments specifically covered by this section;

15 “(2) allowing any new waiver, suspension, re-  
16 duction, or other relief from statutory sanctions with  
17 respect to Iran under any provision of law, or allow-  
18 ing the President to refrain from applying any such  
19 sanctions pursuant to an agreement described in  
20 subsection (a) during the period for review provided  
21 in subsection (b);

22 “(3) revoking or terminating any statutory  
23 sanctions imposed on Iran; or

24 “(4) authorizing the use of military force  
25 against Iran.

1 “(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 “(1) AGREEMENT.—The term ‘agreement’  
3 means an agreement related to the nuclear program  
4 of Iran that includes the United States, commits the  
5 United States to take action, or pursuant to which  
6 the United States commits or otherwise agrees to  
7 take action, regardless of the form it takes, whether  
8 a political commitment or otherwise, and regardless  
9 of whether it is legally binding or not, including any  
10 joint comprehensive plan of action entered into or  
11 made between Iran and any other parties, and any  
12 additional materials related thereto, including an-  
13 nexes, appendices, codicils, side agreements, imple-  
14 menting materials, documents, and guidance, tech-  
15 nical or other understandings, and any related  
16 agreements, whether entered into or implemented  
17 prior to the agreement or to be entered into or im-  
18 plemented in the future.

19 “(2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
20 TEES.—The term ‘appropriate congressional com-  
21 mittees’ means the Committee on Finance, the Com-  
22 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the  
23 Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Com-  
24 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the  
25 Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on

1 Financial Services, the Permanent Select Committee  
2 on Intelligence, and the Committee on Foreign Af-  
3 fairs of the House of Representatives.

4 “(3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
5 TEES AND LEADERSHIP.—The term ‘appropriate  
6 congressional committees and leadership’ means the  
7 Committee on Finance, the Committee on Banking,  
8 Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Select Committee  
9 on Intelligence, and the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
10 tions, and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the  
11 Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means, the  
12 Committee on Financial Services, the Permanent Se-  
13 lect Committee on Intelligence, and the Committee  
14 on Foreign Affairs, and the Speaker, Majority Lead-  
15 er, and Minority Leader of the House of Representa-  
16 tives.

17 “(4) IRANIAN FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The  
18 term ‘Iranian financial institution’ has the meaning  
19 given the term in section 104A(d) of the Com-  
20 prehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Di-  
21 vestment Act of 2010 (22 U.S.C. 8513b(d)).

22 “(5) JOINT PLAN OF ACTION.—The term ‘Joint  
23 Plan of Action’ means the Joint Plan of Action,  
24 signed at Geneva November 24, 2013, by Iran and  
25 by France, Germany, the Russian Federation, the

1 People’s Republic of China, the United Kingdom,  
2 and the United States, and all implementing mate-  
3 rials and agreements related to the Joint Plan of  
4 Action, including the technical understandings  
5 reached on January 12, 2014, the extension thereto  
6 agreed to on July 18, 2014, the extension agreed to  
7 on November 24, 2014, and any materially identical  
8 extension that is agreed to on or after the date of  
9 the enactment of the Iran Nuclear Agreement Re-  
10 view Act of 2015.

11 “(6) EU-IRAN JOINT STATEMENT.—The term  
12 ‘EU-Iran Joint Statement’ means only the Joint  
13 Statement by EU High Representative Federica  
14 Mogherini and Iranian Foreign Minister Javad Zarif  
15 made on April 2, 2015, at Lausanne, Switzerland.

16 “(7) MATERIAL BREACH.—The term ‘material  
17 breach’ means, with respect to an agreement de-  
18 scribed in subsection (a), any breach of the agree-  
19 ment, or in the case of non-binding commitments,  
20 any failure to perform those commitments, that sub-  
21 stantially—

22 “(A) benefits Iran’s nuclear program;

23 “(B) decreases the amount of time re-  
24 quired by Iran to achieve a nuclear weapon; or

1                   “(C) deviates from or undermines the pur-  
2                   poses of such agreement.

3                   “(8) NONCOMPLIANCE DEFINED.—The term  
4                   ‘noncompliance’ means any departure from the  
5                   terms of an agreement described in subsection (a)  
6                   that is not a material breach.

7                   “(9) P5+1 COUNTRIES.—The term ‘P5+1  
8                   countries’ means the United States, France, the  
9                   Russian Federation, the People’s Republic of China,  
10                  the United Kingdom, and Germany.

11                  “(10) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term  
12                  ‘United States person’ has the meaning given that  
13                  term in section 101 of the Comprehensive Iran  
14                  Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of  
15                  2010 (22 U.S.C. 8511).”.