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To require the redesignation of Ansarallah as a foreign terrorist organization.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COTTON, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Ms. ERNST, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BOOZALAN, Mrs. BRITT, and Mr. ROUNDS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Dismantle Iran’s Proxy
5 Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. REDESIGNATION OF ANSARALLAH AS A FOREIGN**
7 **TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.**

8 (a) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO
9 ANSARALLAH.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President
3 shall—

4 (A) designate Ansarallah as a foreign ter-
5 rorist organization pursuant to section 219 of
6 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
7 1189); and

8 (B) impose, with respect to Ansarallah and
9 any foreign person the President determines is
10 an official, agent, or affiliate of Ansarallah, the
11 sanctions applicable with respect to a foreign
12 person pursuant to Executive Order 13224 (50
13 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property
14 and prohibiting transactions with persons who
15 commit, threaten to commit, or support ter-
16 rorism).

17 (2) DETERMINATION REQUIRED.—Not later
18 than 30 days after the President makes the designa-
19 tion required by subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1)
20 and imposes the sanctions required by subparagraph
21 (B) of that paragraph, the President shall submit to
22 the appropriate congressional committees a deter-
23 mination regarding whether the following foreign
24 persons are officials, agents, or affiliates of
25 Ansarallah:

1 (A) Abdul Malik al-Houthi.

2 (B) Abd al-Khaliq Badr al-Din al-Houthi.

3 (C) Abdullah Yahya al-Hakim.

4 (b) STRATEGY TO DEGRADE ANSARALLAH CAPA-
5 BILITY IN RED SEA.—Not later than 180 days after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall sub-
7 mit to the appropriate congressional committees a strat-
8 egy—

9 (1) to restore freedom of navigation in the Bab
10 al Mandeb Strait, the Red Sea, and adjacent water-
11 ways; and

12 (2) to take appropriate steps to degrade the of-
13 fensive capabilities of Ansarallah, including with re-
14 spect to command and control, key leaders, intel-
15 ligence sources supporting attacks by Ansarallah, le-
16 thal aid, training, and materiel support.

17 (c) REPORT ON OBSTACLES TO PROVISION OF HU-
18 MANITARIAN AID IN AREAS OF YEMEN UNDER DE-FACTO
19 ANSARALLAH CONTROL.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
21 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
22 retary of State, in consultation with the Adminis-
23 trator of the United States Agency for International
24 Development, shall submit to the appropriate con-
25 gressional committees a report on obstacles to the

1 provision of humanitarian aid by international orga-
2 nizations and nongovernmental organizations in
3 areas of Yemen under the de-facto control of
4 Ansarallah.

5 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report
6 required by paragraph (1) shall include the fol-
7 lowing:

8 (A) An identification of challenges to dis-
9 tribution of humanitarian aid created by rules,
10 regulations, and bureaucracy of Ansarallah with
11 respect to access and freedom of movement,
12 and an assessment of the overall impact such
13 rules, regulations, and bureaucracy have on the
14 ability of the international community to dis-
15 tribute humanitarian aid in a manner con-
16 sistent with basic humanitarian principles.

17 (B) An assessment of attempted inter-
18 ference by Ansarallah in the delivery of humani-
19 tarian aid, including the manipulation or undue
20 influence of beneficiary lists or related data for
21 political or military purposes, and the implica-
22 tions of any such interference on civilian needs
23 and aid distribution.

24 (C) An evaluation of the use of violence
25 and intimidation by Ansarallah against humani-

1 tarian workers and diplomats, including current
2 and former locally employed staff of the United
3 States embassy.

4 (D) An overview of the steps the United
5 States and its partners are taking to ensure hu-
6 manitarian aid is delivered unhindered and con-
7 sistent with basic humanitarian principles, in-
8 cluding how organizations supported by the
9 United States respond to attempted diversion or
10 interference by Ansarallah.

11 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) ANSARALLAH.—The term “Ansarallah”
13 means the movement known as Ansarallah, the
14 Houthi movement, or any other alias.

15 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
16 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
17 mittees” means—

18 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
19 the Senate; and

20 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
21 the House of Representatives;

22 (3) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
23 son” means a person that is not a United States
24 person.

1 (4) PERSON.—The term “person” means an in-
2 dividual or entity.

3 (5) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
4 “United States person” means—

5 (A) a national of the United States or an
6 alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence
7 in the United States (as those terms are de-
8 fined in section 101 of the Immigration and
9 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101)); or

10 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
11 the United States or of any jurisdiction within
12 the United States, including a foreign branch of
13 such an entity.