

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to operate a uranium reserve.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 1st Sess.

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To invest in the energy and outdoor infrastructure of the United States to deploy new and innovative technologies, update existing infrastructure to be reliable and resilient, and secure energy infrastructure against physical and cyber threats, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. Barrasso

Viz:

1 At the end of subtitle C of title III, add the following:

2 **SEC. 32** ____. **NATIONAL STRATEGIC URANIUM RESERVE.**

3 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

4 (1) **URANIUM RESERVE.**—The term “Uranium
5 Reserve” means the uranium reserve operated pur-
6 suant to the program established under subsection

7 (b).

8 (2) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means
9 the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Under
10 Secretary for Science and Energy.

1 (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 60 days after
2 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall es-
3 tablish a program to operate a uranium reserve comprised
4 of uranium recovered in the United States in accordance
5 with this section.

6 (c) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Uranium Re-
7 serve are—

8 (1) to address domestic nuclear supply chain
9 issues;

10 (2) to provide assurance of the availability of
11 uranium recovered in the United States in the event
12 of a supply disruption; and

13 (3) to support strategic nuclear fuel cycle capa-
14 bilities in the United States.

15 (d) EXCLUSION.—The Secretary shall exclude from
16 the Uranium Reserve uranium that is recovered in the
17 United States by an entity that—

18 (1) is owned or controlled by the Government of
19 the Russian Federation or the Government of the
20 People’s Republic of China; or

21 (2) is organized under the laws of, or otherwise
22 subject to the jurisdiction of, the Russian Federation
23 or the People’s Republic of China.

24 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addi-
25 tion to amounts otherwise made available, there is appro-

1 priated to the Secretary to carry out this section, out of
2 any amounts in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
3 \$150,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2031.