

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1099

To amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, to modify requirements under that Act relating to exemptions, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 2023

Mr. PFLUGER (for himself and Mr. CROW) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Preventing Adversary
5 Influence, Disinformation, and Obscured Foreign Financ-
6 ing Act of 2023” or the “PAID OFF Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF EXEMPTIONS UNDER FARA.**

2 (a) DEFINITION.—Section 1 of the Foreign Agents
3 Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 611)
4 is amended by adding at the end the following:

5 “(q) The term ‘country of concern’ means—

6 “(1) the People’s Republic of China;

7 “(2) the Russian Federation;

8 “(3) the Islamic Republic of Iran;

9 “(4) the Democratic People’s Republic of
10 Korea;

11 “(5) the Republic of Cuba; and

12 “(6) the Syrian Arab Republic.”.

13 (b) EXEMPTIONS.—Section 3 of the Foreign Agents
14 Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 613),
15 is amended, in the matter preceding subsection (a), by in-
16 serting “, except that the exemptions under subsections
17 (d)(1) and (h) shall not apply to any agent of a foreign
18 principal that is a country of concern” before the colon.

19 (c) SUNSET.—The amendments made by subsections
20 (a) and (b) shall terminate on October 1, 2026.

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