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Purpose: To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a foreign official from demanding a bribe, and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. KENNEDY)

Viz:

- 1 At the end of subtitle G of title X, add the following:
- 2 **SEC. 1083. PROHIBITION OF DEMAND FOR BRIBE.**
- 3 Section 201 of title 18, United States Code, is
- 4 amended—
- 5 (1) in subsection (a)—
- 6 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at
- 7 the end;

1 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-  
2 riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(4) the term ‘foreign official’ means—

5 “(A)(i) any official or employee of a for-  
6 eign government or any department, agency, or  
7 instrumentality thereof; or

8 “(ii) any senior foreign political figure, as  
9 defined in section 1010.605 of title 31, Code of  
10 Federal Regulations, or any successor regula-  
11 tion;

12 “(B) any official or employee of a public  
13 international organization;

14 “(C) any person acting in an official ca-  
15 pacity for or on behalf of—

16 “(i) a government, department, agen-  
17 cy, or instrumentality described in sub-  
18 paragraph (A)(i); or

19 “(ii) a public international organiza-  
20 tion; or

21 “(D) any person acting in an unofficial ca-  
22 pacity for or on behalf of—

23 “(i) a government, department, agen-  
24 cy, or instrumentality described in sub-  
25 paragraph (A)(i); or

1                   “(ii) a public international organiza-  
2                   tion; and

3                   “(5) the term ‘public international organization’  
4                   means—

5                   “(A) an organization that is designated by  
6                   Executive order pursuant to section 1 of the  
7                   International Organizations Immunities Act (22  
8                   U.S.C. 288); or

9                   “(B) any other international organization  
10                  that is designated by the President by Execu-  
11                  tive order for the purposes of this section, effec-  
12                  tive as of the date of publication of such order  
13                  in the Federal Register.”; and

14                  (2) by adding at the end the following:

15                  “(f) PROHIBITION OF DEMAND FOR A BRIBE.—

16                  “(1) OFFENSE.—It shall be unlawful for any  
17                  foreign official or person selected to be a foreign of-  
18                  ficial to corruptly demand, seek, receive, accept, or  
19                  agree to receive or accept, directly or indirectly, any-  
20                  thing of value personally or for any other person or  
21                  nongovernmental entity, by making use of the mails  
22                  or any means or instrumentality of interstate com-  
23                  merce, from any person (as defined in section 104A  
24                  of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (15  
25                  U.S.C. 78dd-3), except that that definition shall be

1 applied without regard to whether the person is an  
2 offender) while in the territory of the United States,  
3 from an issuer (as defined in section 3(a) of the Se-  
4 curities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c(a))),  
5 or from a domestic concern (as defined in section  
6 104 of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977  
7 (15 U.S.C. 78dd-2)), in return for—

8 “(A) being influenced in the performance  
9 of any official act;

10 “(B) being induced to do or omit to do any  
11 act in violation of the official duty of such for-  
12 eign official or person; or

13 “(C) conferring any improper advantage,  
14 in connection with obtaining or retaining business  
15 for or with, or directing business to, any person.

16 “(2) PENALTIES.—Any person who violates  
17 paragraph (1) shall be fined not more than  
18 \$250,000 or 3 times the monetary equivalent of the  
19 thing of value, imprisoned for not more than 15  
20 years, or both.

21 “(3) JURISDICTION.—An offense under para-  
22 graph (1) shall be subject to extraterritorial Federal  
23 jurisdiction.

24 “(4) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the  
25 date of enactment of the Foreign Extortion Preven-

1 tion Act, and annually thereafter, the Attorney Gen-  
2 eral, in consultation with the Secretary of State as  
3 relevant, shall submit to the Committee on the Judi-  
4 ciary and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
5 Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary and the  
6 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
7 resentatives, and post on the publicly available  
8 website of the Department of Justice, a report—

9 “(A) focusing, in part, on demands by for-  
10 eign officials for bribes from entities domiciled  
11 or incorporated in the United States, and the  
12 efforts of foreign governments to prosecute such  
13 cases;

14 “(B) addressing United States diplomatic  
15 efforts to protect entities domiciled or incor-  
16 porated in the United States from foreign brib-  
17 ery, and the effectiveness of those efforts in  
18 protecting such entities;

19 “(C) summarizing major actions taken  
20 under this section in the previous year, includ-  
21 ing enforcement actions taken and penalties im-  
22 posed;

23 “(D) evaluating the effectiveness of the  
24 Department of Justice in enforcing this section;  
25 and

1           “(E) detailing what resources or legislative  
2           action the Department of Justice needs to en-  
3           sure adequate enforcement of this section.

4           “(5) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—This sub-  
5           section shall not be construed as encompassing con-  
6           duct that would violate section 30A of the Securities  
7           Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78dd-1) or sec-  
8           tion 104 or 104A of the Foreign Corrupt Practices  
9           Act of 1977 (15 U.S.C. 78dd-2; 15 U.S.C. 78dd-  
10          3) whether pursuant to a theory of direct liability,  
11          conspiracy, complicity, or otherwise.”.