

### 117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# H. R. 6821

To prohibit the importation of seafood and seafood products from the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 22, 2022

Mr. Young introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

## 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 "United States-Russian
- 5 Federation Seafood Reciprocity Act of 2022".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 Congress makes the following findings:
- 8 (1) In 2014, the Russian Federation invaded
- 9 and annexed the Crimean Peninsula from Ukraine.

- 1 (2) The United States and its allies imposed 2 sanctions with respect to the Russian Federation as 3 a result of that hostile and illegal action.
- (3) In retaliation, the Government of the Russian Federation imposed an embargo on agricultural products, including seafood, imported from the United States, the European Union, Australia, Canada, and Norway.
- 9 (4) Before imposing the embargo, the Russian 10 Federation was an important export market for 11 United States seafood products.
- 12 (5) Russian-origin seafood products continue to 13 enter into the United States market without restric-14 tion and imports of such products increased roughly 15 173 percent in value between 2013, the year before 16 the imposition of the embargo, and 2020.
- 17 SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF SEAFOOD AND
- 18 SEAFOOD PRODUCTS FROM THE RUSSIAN
- 19 **FEDERATION.**
- The importation into the United States from the Rus-
- 21 sian Federation of any article classifiable under chapter
- 22 3 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States
- 23 is prohibited.

#### SEC. 4. TERMINATION.

- 2 The prohibition under section 3 shall terminate on
- 3 the date on which the President determines and certifies
- 4 Congress that the Government of the Russian Federation
- 5 has terminated its prohibition on the importation of sea-
- 6 food products from the United States.

### 7 SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 8 Section 3 applies with respect to articles entered, or
- 9 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
- 10 the date that is 15 days after the date of the enactment
- 11 of this Act.

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