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2D SESSION

# S. 3832

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 14, 2022

Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. HAWLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## 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 “COVID–19 Origin Dis-  
5 closure Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

7 It is the sense of Congress that—

1           (1) identifying the origin of Coronavirus Dis-  
2       ease 2019 (COVID–19) is critical for preventing a  
3       similar pandemic from occurring in the future;

4           (2) there is reason to believe the COVID–19  
5       pandemic may have originated at the Wuhan Insti-  
6       tute of Virology; and

7           (3) the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-  
8       ices has a responsibility to make available to the  
9       public as much information as possible about the or-  
10      igin of COVID–19 so the United States and like-  
11      minded countries can—

12                 (A) identify the origin of COVID–19 as ex-  
13                 peditiously as possible, and

14                 (B) use that information to take all appro-  
15                 priate measures to prevent a similar pandemic  
16                 from occurring again.

17 **SEC. 3. PUBLIC RELEASE OF INFORMATION RELATED TO**  
18 **THE ORIGIN OF COVID–19.**

19       Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-  
20      ment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human  
21      Services shall—

22           (1) publish any and all information relating to  
23       potential links between the Wuhan Institute of Virol-  
24       ogy and the origin of the Coronavirus Disease 2019  
25       (COVID–19), including—

1           (A) any coordination conducted by the De-  
2           partment of Health and Human Services with  
3           entities in China performing research on  
4           coronaviruses, including by disclosing any fund-  
5           ing of such research by the Department; and

6           (B) any research or literature review pro-  
7           duced by employees of the Department of  
8           Health and Human Services about the potential  
9           origin of COVID–19; and

10          (2) submit to Congress a report that contains  
11          all of the information described under paragraph  
12          (1).

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