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To establish penalties for violating section 104(f) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 8, 2025

Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mrs. MOODY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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 “Aid Accountability Act
5 of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING SECTION 104(F) OF THE**
7 **FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961.**

8 Section 104(f) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961
9 (22 U.S.C. 2151b(f)) is amended by adding at the end
10 the following:

1 “(4)(A) A Federal employee who knowingly violates
2 any requirement under this subsection—

3 “(i) shall be terminated from Federal employ-
4 ment;

5 “(ii) may not be employed by the Federal Gov-
6 ernment after such violation; and

7 “(iii) shall be fiscally liable for, and shall pay
8 to the Federal Government, an amount equal to the
9 amount of funds illegally allocated to the activity
10 that was in violation of such requirement in order to
11 provide restitution for such violation.

12 “(B) A grantee, subgrantee, contractor or other re-
13 cipient of Federal funds who violates any of the require-
14 ments under this subsection may not receive any Federal
15 funds after such violation.

16 “(C) The Secretary of State—

17 “(i) shall make a final determination with re-
18 spect to any violation of a requirement under this
19 subsection and the penalties to be imposed pursuant
20 to subparagraph (A) or (B), and such final deter-
21 mination shall not be subject to review or reversal
22 except by a Federal court of competent jurisdiction;
23 and

1 “(ii) not later than 60 days after making a de-
2 termination pursuant to clause (i), shall submit a re-
3 port to Congress that includes—

4 “(I) a description of the nature of the vio-
5 lation;

6 “(II) who carried out or was involved in
7 the violation; and

8 “(III) what will be done to ensure such
9 violation is not repeated.

10 “(D) Each final determination by the Secretary of
11 State pursuant to subparagraph (C)(i) shall be subject to
12 the procedures set forth in chapter 8 of title 5, United
13 States Code (commonly referred to as the ‘Congressional
14 Review Act’).”.

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