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H. R. 283

To authorize the President to enter into negotiations for the reacquisition
of the Panama Canal from the Republic of Panama.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2025

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. RULLI, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. CLYDE, Mr. LAWLER, Mrs. HOUCHIN, Mr. BEAN of Florida, Mr. HAMADEH of Arizona, Mr. BABIN, and Ms. TENNEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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the reacquisition of the Panama Canal from the Republic
of Panama.

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 “Panama Canal Repur-
5 chase Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE.**

7 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—The President, acting in co-
8 ordination with the Secretary of State, is authorized to

1 initiate and conduct negotiations with appropriate coun-
2 terparts of the Government of the Republic of Panama
3 to reacquire the Panama Canal.

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
5 of enactment of this Act, the President shall submit a re-
6 port to Congress detailing the progress of the negotiations
7 authorized by subsection (a), potential challenges, and an-
8 ticipated outcomes.

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