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To prohibit the use of funds to seek membership in the World Health Organization or to provide assessed or voluntary contributions to the World Health Organization.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. ESTES, and Mr. STEUBE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “WHO is Accountable
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO SEEK MEMBER-**
2 **SHIP IN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION**
3 **OR TO PROVIDE ASSESSED OR VOLUNTARY**
4 **CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORLD HEALTH OR-**
5 **GANIZATION.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
7 sion of law, no funds available to any Federal department
8 or agency may be used to seek membership by the United
9 States in the World Health Organization or to provide as-
10 sessed or voluntary contributions to the World Health Or-
11 ganization until such time as the Secretary of State cer-
12 tifies to Congress that the World Health Organization
13 meets the conditions described in subsection (b).

14 (b) CONDITIONS DESCRIBED.—The conditions de-
15 scribed in this subsection are the following:

16 (1) The World Health Organization has adopt-
17 ed meaningful reforms to ensure that humanitarian
18 assistance is not politicized and is to be provided to
19 those with the most need.

20 (2) The World Health Organization is not
21 under the control or significant malign influence of
22 the Chinese Communist Party.

23 (3) The World Health Organization is not in-
24 volved in a coverup of the Chinese Communist Par-
25 ty's response to the COVID–19 pandemic.

1 (4) The World Health Organization grants ob-
2 server status to Taiwan.

3 (5) The World Health Organization does not di-
4 vert humanitarian or medical supplies to Iran, North
5 Korea, or Syria.

6 (6) The World Health Organization has put in
7 place mechanisms to increase transparency and ac-
8 countability in its operations and eliminate waste,
9 fraud, and abuse.

10 (7) The World Health Organization has ceased
11 all funding for, engagement in, and messaging with
12 respect to certain controversial and politically
13 charged issues that are non-germane to the World
14 Health Organization’s directive, including—

15 (A) so-called “gender identity” and harm-
16 ful rhetoric relating to “gender affirming care”;

17 (B) climate change; and

18 (C) access to abortion.

19 (8) The World Health Organization has agreed
20 that as a condition of membership by the United
21 States in the World Health Organization, no direc-
22 tive issued by the World Health Organization may
23 be considered to be legally binding on any United
24 States citizen or individual State.

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