

119<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 9043

To amend the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 relating to determinations with respect to efforts of foreign countries to reduce demand for commercial sex acts under the minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 26, 2026

Mrs. WAGNER (for herself, Ms. FOXX, and Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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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 “Sex Trafficking De-  
5 mand Reduction Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT RELATING TO DETERMINATIONS**  
2 **WITH RESPECT TO EFFORTS OF FOREIGN**  
3 **COUNTRIES TO REDUCE DEMAND FOR COM-**  
4 **MERCIAL SEX ACTS UNDER THE MINIMUM**  
5 **STANDARDS FOR THE ELIMINATION OF TRAF-**  
6 **FICKING.**

7 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Paragraph (12) of section 108(b)  
8 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22  
9 U.S.C. 7106(b)) is amended to read as follows:

10 “(12) Whether the government of the country  
11 has made serious and sustained efforts to—

12 “(A) prohibit the purchase of commercial  
13 sex acts to the extent such prohibition is within  
14 the authority of the central government or im-  
15 plement a policy against the purchase of com-  
16 mercial sex acts to the extent that prohibition  
17 is not within the authority of the central gov-  
18 ernment;

19 “(B) educate buyers of commercial sex on  
20 how traffickers exploit prostituted persons for  
21 human trafficking; and

22 “(C) reduce demand for participation in  
23 international sex tourism by nationals of the  
24 country.”.

25 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
26 subsection (a) takes effect on the date of the enactment

1 of this Act and applies with respect to determinations  
2 under subsection (a)(4) of section 108 of the Trafficking  
3 Victims Protection Act of 2000 that are made on or after  
4 such date of enactment.

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