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H. R. 3326

[Report No. 115-298]

To increase accountability, combat corruption, and strengthen management effectiveness at the World Bank.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BARR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

Additional sponsor: Mr. SHERMAN

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on July 20, 2017]

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 “World Bank Account-*
5 *ability Act of 2017”.*

6 **SEC. 2. WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS UNTIL CERTAIN CONDI-**
7 **TIONS ARE MET.**

8 *(a) INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS.—*

9 *(1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to each of fiscal*
10 *years 2018 through 2023, in addition to any amounts*
11 *withheld from disbursement under subsection (b), 15*
12 *percent of the amounts provided in appropriations*
13 *Acts for the International Development Association*
14 *for the fiscal year—*

15 *(A) shall be withheld from disbursement*
16 *until the conditions of paragraph (2) or (3) are*
17 *satisfied; and*

18 *(B)(i) shall be disbursed after the conditions*
19 *of paragraph (2) are satisfied; and*

20 *(ii) may be disbursed after the conditions of*
21 *paragraph (3) are satisfied*

22 *(2) INITIAL CONDITIONS.—The conditions of this*
23 *paragraph are satisfied with respect to the amounts*
24 *provided in appropriations Acts for a fiscal year if,*
25 *in the fiscal year, the Secretary of the Treasury re-*

1 *ports to the appropriate congressional committees that*
2 *the International Bank for Reconstruction and Devel-*
3 *opment—*

4 *(A) is implementing institutional incen-*
5 *tives, including through formal staff evaluation*
6 *criteria, that prioritize poverty reduction, devel-*
7 *opment outcomes, and capable project manage-*
8 *ment over the volume of the Bank’s lending and*
9 *grantmaking;*

10 *(B) is taking steps to address the manage-*
11 *ment failures described in Inspection Panel In-*
12 *vestigation Report 106710–UG, and to prevent*
13 *their recurrence in countries that are eligible for*
14 *World Bank support; and*

15 *(C) is taking measures to strengthen its*
16 *management of trust funds, with the goal of in-*
17 *creasing the accountability of the trust funds for*
18 *poverty reduction and development outcomes.*

19 *(3) SUBSEQUENT CONDITIONS.—The conditions*
20 *of this paragraph are satisfied if the Secretary of the*
21 *Treasury reports to the appropriate congressional*
22 *committees, in each of the 3 fiscal years most recently*
23 *preceding the fiscal year in which the report is made,*
24 *that the International Bank for Reconstruction and*
25 *Development has instituted the measures described in*

1 paragraph (2) of this subsection and the measures de-
2 scribed in subsection (b)(2).

3 (b) GOVERNANCE AND ANTICORRUPTION REFORMS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to each of fiscal
5 years 2018 through 2023, in addition to any amounts
6 withheld from disbursement under subsection (a), 15
7 percent of the amounts provided in appropriations
8 Acts for the International Development Association
9 for the fiscal year—

10 (A) shall be withheld from disbursement
11 until the conditions of paragraph (2) or (3) are
12 satisfied; and

13 (B)(i) shall be disbursed after the conditions
14 of paragraph (2) are satisfied; and

15 (ii) may be disbursed after the conditions of
16 paragraph (3) are satisfied

17 (2) INITIAL CONDITIONS.—The conditions of this
18 paragraph are satisfied with respect to the amounts
19 provided in appropriations Acts for a fiscal year if,
20 in the fiscal year, the Secretary of the Treasury re-
21 ports to the appropriate congressional committees that
22 the International Bank for Reconstruction and Devel-
23 opment—

24 (A) is emphasizing in appropriate oper-
25 ational policies, directives, and country strate-

1 *gies its support for secure property rights, due*
2 *process of law, and economic freedom as essential*
3 *conditions for sustained poverty reduction in*
4 *World Bank borrowing countries;*

5 *(B)(i) in the preceding fiscal year, has not*
6 *approved any loans or grants assistance by the*
7 *Bank to a country designated by the United*
8 *States as a state sponsor of terrorism; and*

9 *(ii) is strengthening the ability of Bank-*
10 *funded projects to undermine violent extremism;*

11 *(C) is taking steps to conduct forensic au-*
12 *ditions of projects receiving assistance from the*
13 *Bank, increase the number of the forensic audits,*
14 *and strengthen the capacity of the Bank's Integ-*
15 *egrity Vice Presidency, and that not less than 50*
16 *percent of the forensic audits initiated by the*
17 *Bank in each fiscal year are of projects ran-*
18 *domly selected from among International Devel-*
19 *opment Association borrowing countries; and*

20 *(D) is taking measures to detect and mini-*
21 *mize corruption in all World Bank projects in-*
22 *volving development policy lending.*

23 *(3) SUBSEQUENT CONDITIONS.—The conditions*
24 *of this paragraph are satisfied if the Secretary of the*
25 *Treasury reports to the appropriate congressional*

1 *committees, in each of the 3 fiscal years most recently*
2 *preceding the fiscal year in which the report is made*
3 *that the International Bank for Reconstruction and*
4 *Development has instituted the measures described in*
5 *paragraph (2) of this subsection and the measures de-*
6 *scribed in subsection (a)(2).*

7 *(c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-*
8 *FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-*
9 *sional committees” means the Committees on Financial*
10 *Services and on Appropriations of the House of Representa-*
11 *tives and the Committees on Foreign Relations and on Ap-*
12 *propriations of the Senate.*

13 **SEC. 3. REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**

14 *The Chairman of the National Advisory Council on*
15 *International Monetary and Financial Policies shall in-*
16 *clude in the report required by section 1701 of the Inter-*
17 *national Financial Institutions Act for each of fiscal years*
18 *2018 through 2023 a detailed description of the actions un-*
19 *dertaken by the International Bank for Reconstruction and*
20 *Development in the fiscal year covered by the report to in-*
21 *stitute the measures described in subsections (a)(2) and*
22 *(b)(2) of section 2 of this Act.*

1 **SEC. 4. OPPOSITION TO WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR**
2 **GOVERNMENT THAT FAILS TO IMPLEMENT**
3 **OR ENFORCE MEASURES REQUIRED UNDER**
4 **AN APPLICABLE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY**
5 **COUNCIL RESOLUTION.**

6 *The Bretton Woods Agreements Act (22 U.S.C. 286 et*
7 *seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:*

8 **“SEC. 73. OPPOSITION TO ASSISTANCE FOR GOVERNMENT**
9 **THAT FAILS TO IMPLEMENT OR ENFORCE**
10 **MEASURES REQUIRED UNDER AN APPLICA-**
11 **BLE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL**
12 **RESOLUTION.**

13 *“The Secretary of the Treasury should instruct the*
14 *United States Executive Director at the International Bank*
15 *for Reconstruction and Development to use the voice and*
16 *vote of the United States to oppose the provision of assist-*
17 *ance to the government of a borrowing country of the Inter-*
18 *national Development Association if the President of the*
19 *United States determines that the government has know-*
20 *ingly failed to implement or enforce sanctions required*
21 *under an applicable United Nations Security Council reso-*
22 *lution (as defined in section 3 of the North Korea Sanctions*
23 *and Policy Enhancement Act of 2016 (Public Law 114–*
24 *122; 22 U.S.C. 9202)) that is in effect.”.*

1 **SEC. 5. EIGHTEENTH REPLENISHMENT OF THE INTER-**
2 **NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION; RE-**
3 **DUCTION FROM IDA-17 AUTHORIZED LEVEL.**

4 *The International Development Association Act (22*
5 *U.S.C. 284 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the*
6 *following:*

7 **“SEC. 30. EIGHTEENTH REPLENISHMENT.**

8 *“(a) CONTRIBUTION AUTHORITY.—The United States*
9 *Governor of the International Development Association*
10 *may contribute on behalf of the United States*
11 *\$3,291,030,000 to the eighteenth replenishment of the re-*
12 *sources of the Association, subject to obtaining the necessary*
13 *appropriations.*

14 *“(b) LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-*
15 *TIONS.—In order to pay for the contribution provided for*
16 *in subsection (a), there are authorized to be appropriated,*
17 *without fiscal year limitation, \$3,291,030,000 for payment*
18 *by the Secretary of the Treasury.”.*

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