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To amend title 28, United States Code, to establish certain requirements for compromise settlements between the President and the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RASKIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Block Lawless Agree-
5 ments and Nullify Corrupt Handouts and Emoluments
6 Act of 2026” or the “BLANCHE Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPROMISE SETTLEMENTS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 161 of title 28, United
3 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2414
4 the following:

5 **“§ 2414a. Compromise settlements between the Presi-**
6 **dent and the United States**

7 “(a) PROHIBITION.—In the case of any administra-
8 tive claim, civil action, or other claim against the United
9 States filed by the President (including a claim or civil
10 action filed by an individual who assumed the Office of
11 the President while such claim is pending), a covered
12 agreement resolving such claim or action may not be en-
13 tered into, and no action pursuant to such covered agree-
14 ment may be taken, if, pursuant to such covered agree-
15 ment—

16 “(1) the President (including after the Presi-
17 dent leaves office), or

18 “(2) any third party, at the direction of the
19 President,

20 would receive any payment by the United States, in cash
21 or in kind, including for damages, reimbursement, or at-
22 torneys’ fees.

23 “(b) INVALIDITY.—In the case of any administrative
24 claim, civil action, or other claim against the United
25 States filed by the President (including a claim or civil
26 action filed by an individual who assumed the Office of

1 the President while such claim is pending), any covered
2 agreement to resolve such claim or action is void ab initio
3 unless such covered agreement is the subject of a court
4 order giving it effect. A court of the United States may
5 not issue such an order unless—

6 “(1) the President, if no such civil action has
7 been filed, files a civil action before the court and
8 files the proposed terms of the covered agreement
9 with the court; and

10 “(2) the court conducts a hearing on the pro-
11 posed terms of the covered agreement, with presen-
12 tation of evidence by the parties, and thereafter en-
13 ters the order giving effect to the terms of the cov-
14 ered agreement, that includes explicit findings of the
15 court that—

16 “(A) the parties to the action are adverse;

17 “(B) the action was not brought to force
18 a covered agreement with the United States;

19 “(C) the United States made a good faith
20 effort to explore available defenses to the claims
21 at issue and has a reasonable legal basis for its
22 decision to enter into the covered agreement;

23 “(D) the covered agreement is not—

24 “(i) collusive; or

1 “(ii) the perpetration of a fraud on
2 the court; and

3 “(E) the covered agreement is in the inter-
4 est of justice.

5 “(c) COVERED AGREEMENT DEFINED.—In this sec-
6 tion, the term ‘covered agreement’ means any settlement
7 agreement, consent decree, compromise settlement, or
8 other agreement to resolve an administrative claim, civil
9 action, or other claim against the United States.

10 “(d) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply to any
11 covered agreement between the President and the United
12 States concluded before, on, or after the date of enactment
13 of this section.”.

14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
15 for chapter 161 of title 28, United States Code, is amend-
16 ed by inserting after the item related to section 2414 the
17 following:

“2414a. Compromise settlements between the President and the United
States.”.

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