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# S. 2179

To amend the International Emergency Economic Powers Act to clarify the conditions under which export controls may be imposed on agricultural products.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban 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 “Selective Agriculture  
5       Embargo Prohibition Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. AGRICULTURAL EXPORT CONTROLS.**

7       The International Emergency Economic Powers Act  
8       (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating section 208 as section 209;

2 and

3 (2) by inserting after section 207 the following

4 new section:

5 **“SEC. 208. AGRICULTURAL CONTROLS.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

7 “(1) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—If the President  
8 imposes export controls on any agricultural commod-  
9 ity in order to carry out the provisions of this Act,  
10 the President shall immediately transmit a report on  
11 such action to Congress, setting forth the reasons  
12 for the controls in detail and specifying the period  
13 of time, which may not exceed 1 year, that the con-  
14 trols are proposed to be in effect. If Congress, within  
15 60 days after the date of its receipt of the report,  
16 adopts a joint resolution pursuant to subsection (b),  
17 approving the imposition of the export controls, then  
18 such controls shall remain in effect for the period  
19 specified in the report, or until terminated by the  
20 President, whichever occurs first. If Congress, within  
21 60 days after the date of its receipt of such report,  
22 fails to adopt a joint resolution approving such con-  
23 trols, then such controls shall cease to be effective  
24 upon the expiration of that 60-day period.

1           “(2) APPLICATION OF PARAGRAPH (1).—The  
 2           provisions of paragraph (1) and subsection (b) shall  
 3           not apply to export controls—

4                   “(A) which are extended under this Act if  
 5                   the controls, when imposed, were approved by  
 6                   Congress under paragraph (1) and subsection  
 7                   (b); or

8                   “(B) which are imposed with respect to a  
 9                   country as part of the prohibition or curtail-  
 10                  ment of all exports to that country.

11          “(b) JOINT RESOLUTION.—

12               “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sub-  
 13               section, the term ‘joint resolution’ means only a joint  
 14               resolution the matter after the resolving clause of  
 15               which is as follows: ‘That, pursuant to section 208  
 16               of the International Emergency Economic Powers  
 17               Act, the President may impose export controls as  
 18               specified in the report submitted to Congress on  
 19               \_\_\_\_\_.’, with the blank space being  
 20               filled with the appropriate date.

21               “(2) INTRODUCTION.—On the day on which a  
 22               report is submitted to the House of Representatives  
 23               and the Senate under subsection (a), a joint resolu-  
 24               tion with respect to the export controls specified in  
 25               such report shall be introduced (by request) in the

1 House of Representatives by the chairman of the  
2 Committee on International Relations, for himself  
3 and the ranking minority member of the Committee,  
4 or by Members of the House designated by the  
5 chairman and ranking minority member; and shall  
6 be introduced (by request) in the Senate by the Ma-  
7 jority Leader of the Senate, for himself and the Mi-  
8 nority Leader of the Senate, or by Members of the  
9 Senate designated by the Majority Leader and Mi-  
10 nority Leader of the Senate. If either House is not  
11 in session on the day on which such a report is sub-  
12 mitted, the joint resolution shall be introduced in  
13 that House, as provided in the preceding sentence,  
14 on the first day thereafter on which that House is  
15 in session.

16 “(3) REFERRAL.—All joint resolutions intro-  
17 duced in the House of Representatives and in the  
18 Senate shall be referred to the appropriate commit-  
19 tee.

20 “(4) DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE.—If the com-  
21 mittee of either House to which a joint resolution  
22 has been referred has not reported the joint resolu-  
23 tion at the end of 30 days after its referral, the com-  
24 mittee shall be discharged from further consider-

1       ation of the joint resolution or of any other joint res-  
2       olution introduced with respect to the same matter.

3           “(5) CONSIDERATION IN SENATE AND HOUSE  
4       OF REPRESENTATIVES.—A joint resolution under  
5       this subsection shall be considered in the Senate in  
6       accordance with the provisions of section 601(b)(4)  
7       of the International Security Assistance and Arms  
8       Export Control Act of 1976. For the purpose of ex-  
9       pediting the consideration and passage of joint reso-  
10      lutions reported or discharged pursuant to the provi-  
11      sions of this subsection, it shall be in order for the  
12      Committee on Rules of the House of Representatives  
13      to present for consideration a resolution of the  
14      House of Representatives providing procedures for  
15      the immediate consideration of a joint resolution  
16      under this subsection which may be similar, if appli-  
17      cable, to the procedures set forth in section  
18      601(b)(4) of the International Security Assistance  
19      and Arms Export Control Act of 1976.

20           “(6) PASSAGE BY 1 HOUSE.—In the case of a  
21      joint resolution described in paragraph (1), if, before  
22      the passage by 1 House of a joint resolution of that  
23      House, that House receives a resolution with respect  
24      to the same matter from the other House, then—

1                   “(A) the procedure in that House shall be  
2                   the same as if no joint resolution had been re-  
3                   ceived from the other House; but

4                   “(B) the vote on final passage shall be on  
5                   the joint resolution of the other House.

6           “(c) COMPUTATION OF TIME.—In the computation of  
7 the period of 60 days referred to in subsection (a) and  
8 the period of 30 days referred to in paragraph (4) of sub-  
9 section (b), there shall be excluded the days on which ei-  
10 ther House of Congress is not in session because of an  
11 adjournment of more than 3 days to a day certain or be-  
12 cause of an adjournment of Congress sine die.”.

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