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To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for additional requirements for the use of authority under the Insurrection Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 8, 2020

Mr. BROWN of Maryland (for himself, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. TED LIEU of California, and Mr. MOULTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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 “Limitations on the In-
5 surrection act including Mechanisms for Invoking its Ter-
6 mination Act” or the “LIMIT Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF AUTHOR-**
8 **ITY UNDER INSURRECTION ACT.**

9 (a) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 13 of title 10,
2 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
3 end the following new section:

4 **“§ 256. Requirements for use of authority**

5 “The authority under section 251, 252, or 253 of this
6 title—

7 “(1) may only be exercised after the President
8 declares a national emergency under the National
9 Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) applicable
10 to the situation for which the authority is exercised;
11 and

12 “(2) may not be exercised if the national emer-
13 gency has been terminated.”.

14 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
15 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
16 by inserting after the item relating to section 255
17 the following new item:

“256. Requirements for use of authority.”.

18 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Such chapter is
19 further amended—

20 (1) in section 251, by striking “Whenever” and
21 inserting “Subject to the requirements under section
22 256 of this title, whenever”;

23 (2) in section 252, by striking “Whenever” and
24 inserting “Subject to the requirements under section
25 256 of this title, whenever”; and

1 (3) in section 253, by striking “The President”
2 and inserting “Subject to the requirements under
3 section 256 of this title, the President”.

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