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# S. 3681

To require the Secretary of State to submit to Congress classified dissent cables relating to the withdrawal of the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. WICKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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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. SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS OF DISSENT CA-**  
4 **BLES RELATING TO WITHDRAWAL OF THE**  
5 **UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES FROM AF-**  
6 **GHANISTAN.**

7 (a) SUBMISSION OF CLASSIFIED DISSENT CABLES  
8 TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 days after the date of

1 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall sub-  
2 mit to Congress any classified Department of State cable  
3 or memo that expresses a dissenting recommendation or  
4 opinion with respect to the withdrawal of the United  
5 States Armed Forces from Afghanistan.

6 (b) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF UNCLASSIFIED DIS-  
7 SENT CABLES.—Not later than 60 days after the date of  
8 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall  
9 make available to the public an unclassified version of any  
10 such cable or memo.

11 (c) PROTECTION OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE IN-  
12 FORMATION.—The name and any other personally identifi-  
13 able information of an author of a cable or memo referred  
14 to in subsection (a) shall be redacted before submission  
15 under that subsection or publication under subsection (b).

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