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“§ 13153. Civil penalties

“(a) CIVIL ACTION.—The Attorney General may bring a civil action in any appropriate district court of the United States against any covered individual who violates section 13152(a).

“(b) CIVIL PENALTY.—Any covered individual who knowingly violates section 13152(a) shall be subject to a civil monetary penalty equal to not more than 10 percent of the value of the financial interest that is the subject of the prohibited conduct, or the amount of financial gain, if any, that the covered individual benefitted from relating to the prohibited conduct, whichever is greater.

“(c) DISGORGEMENT.—A covered individual who is found to have violated section 13152(a) in a civil action under subsection (a) shall disgorge to the Treasury of the United States any profit from the prohibited conduct that is the subject of that civil action.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 131 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SUBCHAPTER IV—PROHIBITED FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

“13151. Definitions.

“13152. Prohibition on certain transactions.

“13153. Civil penalties.”.

(c) CRIMINAL PENALTIES RELATING TO PROHIBITED FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 11 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“§ 227A. Prohibited financial transactions

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term ‘covered individual’ means—

“(A) the President;

“(B) the Vice President;

“(C) a Member of Congress;

“(D) an individual appointed to a Senate-confirmed position; or

“(E) a special Government employee (as defined in section 202) associated with the Executive Office of the President.

“(2) MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—The term ‘Member of Congress’ has the meaning given that term in section 13101 of title 5.

“(3) PROHIBITED FINANCIAL TRANSACTION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘prohibited financial transaction’ means—

“(i) any issuance, sponsorship, or endorsement of a cryptocurrency, meme coin, token, non-fungible token, stablecoin, or other digital asset that is sold for remuneration; or

“(ii) any financial interest comparable to an interest described in clause (i) that is acquired through synthetic means, such as the use of a derivative, including an option, warrant, or other similar means.

“(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ‘prohibited financial transaction’ does not include the mere purchase, sale, holding, or other conduct relating to financial instruments or assets routinely accessible to any member of the public.

“(4) SENATE-CONFIRMED POSITION.—The term ‘Senate-confirmed position’ means a position in a department or agency of the executive branch of the United States for which appointment is required to be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

“(b) BENEFITTING FROM PROHIBITED FINANCIAL TRANSACTION.—Any covered individual who—

“(1) knowingly violates any provision of section 13152(a) of title 5; and

“(2) through such violation—

“(A) causes an aggregate loss of not less than \$1,000,000 to 1 or more persons in the United States; or

“(B) benefits financially, through profit, gain, or advantage, directly or indirectly through any family member or business associate of the covered individual, from the sale, purchase, or distribution of the financial interest described in subsection (a)(3)(A)(i) issued, sponsored, or endorsed in violation of section 13152(a) of title 5, shall be fined under this title, imprisoned for not more than 5 years, or both.

“(c) BRIBERY.—Any covered individual who—

“(1) knowingly violates any provision of section 13152(a) of title 5; and

“(2) directly or indirectly, corruptly demands, seeks, receives, accepts, or agrees to receive or accept any thing of value personally or for any other person or entity, in return for—

“(A) being influenced in the performance of any official act;

“(B) being influenced to commit or aid in committing, or to collude in, or allow, any fraud, or make opportunity for the commission of any fraud, on the United States; or

“(C) being induced to do or omit to do any act in violation of the official duty of such official or person, shall be fined under this title or not more than 2 times the monetary equivalent of the thing of value, whichever is greater, or imprisoned for not more than 5 years, or both, and may be disqualified from holding any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

“(d) INTENT.—To incur criminal liability under this section, it shall not be required that a covered individual intended to create a financial interest described in subsection (a)(3)(A)(i) through the issuance, sponsorship or endorsement of the financial interest described in subsection (a)(3)(A)(i).

“(e) LIABILITY AND IMMUNITY.—For purposes of any immunities to civil and criminal liability, any conduct relating to a prohibited financial transaction under this section shall be deemed an unofficial act and beyond the scope of official duties of the relevant covered individual.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 11 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 227 the following:

“227A. Prohibited financial transactions.”.

SA 3846. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3748 proposed by Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. REED) to the bill S. 2296, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 1067. ACCESS TO COVID-19 VACCINES.

Notwithstanding any rules, recommendations, or other statements issued by the Department of Health and Human Services or any other provision of law, no individual who requests a COVID-19 vaccine shall be denied such vaccine by a health care provider who is certified to administer vaccines pursuant to Federal and State licensure laws and who provides services in a health care setting that offers such vaccine, nor shall any such

individual be required to meet any criteria to receive such vaccine, except that a health care provider may deny an individual such a vaccine if the provider determines it not to be medically advisable for the individual to receive the vaccine. No Federal department, agency, or office, State, or health insurance issuer may deny full coverage for the COVID-19 vaccine with respect to an individual enrolled in a Federal health care program (as defined in section 1128B(f) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1320a-7b(f))), a State health care program (as defined in section 1128(h) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1320a-7(h))), the health insurance program under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, or a group health plan or group or individual health insurance coverage (as such terms are defined in section 2791 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg-91)).

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Ms. LUMMIS. Mr. President, I have three requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 3 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following interns on the Committee of Agriculture be granted floor privileges through December 12, 2025: Mara Hallcock and Elise Sharp.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Ms. LUMMIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rick Berger and Brad Patout, members of Senator WICKER's committee staff, be granted full floor passes for the remainder of the consideration of Calendar No. 115, S. 2296, Fiscal Year 2026 National Defense Authorization Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST—MCGRAW NOMINATION

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