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To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a foreign official from demanding a bribe, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. MALINOWSKI, and Mr. HUDSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Foreign Extortion Pre-
5 vention Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF DEMAND FOR BRIBE.**

7 Section 201 of title 18, United States Code is amend-
8 ed—

1 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
2 following:

3 “(4) The term ‘foreign official’ means any offi-
4 cer or employee—

5 “(A) of a foreign government or any de-
6 partment, agency, or instrumentality thereof;

7 “(B) of a public international organization;
8 or

9 “(C) any person acting in an official ca-
10 pacity for or on behalf of any such government
11 or department, agency, or instrumentality, or
12 for or on behalf of any such public international
13 organization.

14 “(5) The term ‘public international organiza-
15 tion’ means—

16 “(A) an organization that is designated by
17 Executive Order pursuant to section 1 of the
18 International Organizations Immunities Act (22
19 U.S.C. 288); or

20 “(B) any other international organization
21 that is designated by the President by Execu-
22 tive order for the purposes of this section, effec-
23 tive as of the date of publication of such order
24 in the Federal Register”; and

25 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(f) Whoever, being a foreign official or person se-
2 lected to be a foreign official, otherwise than as provided
3 by law for the proper discharge of official duty, directly
4 or indirectly, corruptly demands, seeks, receives, accepts,
5 or agrees to receive or accept anything of value personally
6 or for any other person or entity, in return for—

7 “(1) being influenced in the performance of any
8 official act; or

9 “(2) being induced to do or omit to do any act
10 in violation of the official duty of such official or
11 person ,

12 shall be fined under this title or imprisoned for not more
13 than two years or both.”.