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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. PAUL, Mr. DAINES, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. RISCH, Ms. LUMMIS, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mrs. BLACKBURN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on ______

A BILL

- To require Senate approval before the United States assumes any obligation under a WHO pandemic agreement and to suspend funding for the WHO until such agreement is ratified by the Senate.
 - 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 "Defending American
- 5 Sovereignty in Global Pandemics Act".

1SEC. 2. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF UNITED STATES2FUNDING FOR THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANI-3ZATION UNTIL PANDEMIC TREATY IS AP-4PROVED BY THE SENATE.

5 (a) PROHIBITION.—The United States shall not become a party to a convention, agreement, or other inter-6 7 national instrument under the Constitution of the World 8 Health Organization to strengthen pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response except pursuant to a treaty 9 made under Article II, section 2, clause 2 of the Constitu-10 tion of the United States on or after the date of the enact-11 12 ment of this Act.

(b) FUNDING RESTRICTION.—The Government of
the United States may not obligate or expend any funds
for the World Health Organization beginning on the effective date of an agreement described in subsection (a) and
ending on the date on which the Senate approves a resolution of ratification with respect to such convention, agreement, or instrument.