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# IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. COTTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 "No EV Credits for5 Idle Allies Act".

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#### 1 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that the United States
does not have any free trade agreement in effect with the
European Union or any member country of the European
Union.

# 6 SEC. 3. EXCLUSION OF CRITICAL MINERALS EXTRACTED 7 OR PROCESSED IN CERTAIN COUNTRIES.

8 (a) EXCLUSION.—For purposes of determining the 9 credit under section 30D of the Internal Revenue Code 10 of 1986 with respect to any new clean vehicle (as defined in section 30D(d)(1) of such Code), any applicable critical 11 12 minerals contained in the battery of such vehicle which 13 were extracted or processed in Germany or France shall not be included for purposes of any determination under 14 section 30D(e)(1)(A) of such Code with respect to such 15 vehicle unless the Secretary of State certifies that the 16 country has, since February 24, 2022, directly provided 17 18 a cumulative amount of humanitarian, financial, and mili-19 tary aid to Ukraine which is not less than the cumulative 20amount of the United States' direct commitment of humanitarian, financial, and military aid to Ukraine, as 21 22 measured as a percent of GDP.

### 23 (b) RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of State
certifies that Germany or France satisfies the requirements under subsection (a), a review of such

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certification shall be made not less than annually
 thereafter for purposes of determining the inclusion
 or exclusion of applicable critical minerals extracted
 or processed in France or Germany in the credit cal culation described in such subsection.

6 (2) FAILURE TO RECERTIFY.—With respect to 7 the review described in paragraph (1), if the Sec-8 retary of State determines that France or Germany 9 has failed to satisfy the requirements under sub-10 section (a), the exclusion described in such sub-11 section with respect to applicable critical minerals 12 which were extracted or processed in such country 13 shall apply for the 12-month period subsequent to 14 such determination, at which time the Secretary of 15 State shall reassess the levels of aid described in 16 such subsection that have been provided.

17 (c) FAILURE TO ATTAIN CERTIFICATION FOR DURA-18 TION OF WAR IN UKRAINE.—If the Secretary of State 19 cannot make the certification described under subsection 20 (a) with respect to France or Germany for the duration 21 of the Russian war in Ukraine (as determined by the Sec-22 retary pursuant to subsection (d)), the exclusion described 23 in subsection (a) with respect to applicable critical min-24 erals which were extracted or processed in such country GAI23208 SRD

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shall apply until such time as the government of that
 country—

3 (1) spends not less than 2 percent of its GDP4 on defense spending; and

5 (2) with respect to the 2 most recently com6 pleted calendar years, has maintained that level of
7 funding.

8 (d) DETERMINATION.—For purposes of subsection 9 (c), the Secretary of State shall, upon determining that 10 the Russian war in Ukraine has concluded, submit a noti-11 fication to that effect to Congress.

12 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) AID TO UKRAINE.—The term "aid to
Ukraine" shall only apply to assistance provided to
the Government of Ukraine or for the assistance of
individuals within the borders of Ukraine.

17 (2) APPLICABLE CRITICAL MINERALS.—The
18 term "applicable critical minerals" has the same
19 meaning given such term in section 45Z(c)(6) of the
20 Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(3) DIRECTLY PROVIDED.—The term "directly
provided", with respect to aid, shall not include any
contributions made to the European Union and subsequently provided to support Ukraine.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply to
 vehicles placed in service after the date of enactment of
 this Act.