

HR 4322

Combating Global Corruption Act of 2021

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Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Jul 1, 2021
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 1, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5209	Related bill	Nov 1, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
117 S 14	Related bill	Jun 24, 2021: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 88.

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This bill requires the Department of State to address corruption, including related to the Nord Stream 2 pipeline (a national gas pipeline expected to increase Russia's natural gas export capacity).

The State Department must annually publish a ranking of foreign countries based on their government's efforts to eliminate corruption.

The bill outlines the minimum standards that the State Department must consider when creating the ranking. These considerations include, for example, whether a country has criminalized corruption, adopted measures to prevent corruption, and complied with the United Nations Convention Against Corruption and other relevant international agreements. Tier one countries meet the standards; tier two countries make some efforts to meet the standards; tier three countries make de minimis or no efforts to meet the standards.

If a country is ranked in the second or third tier, the State Department must designate an anti-corruption contact at the U.S. diplomatic post in that country to promote good governance and combat corruption.

The bill also requires the State Department, in coordination with the Department of the Treasury, to evaluate whether to impose asset- and visa-blocking sanctions against foreign persons engaged in significant corruption (1) in tier three countries, or (2) related to the Nord Stream 2 pipeline. The State Department must report to Congress about any sanctions imposed under this bill. The evaluation and reporting requirements concerning the Nord Stream 2 pipeline terminate after five years.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jul 1, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 1, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.