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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 10, 2023

Mr. HAWLEY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Raising Tariffs on Im-
5 ports from China Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPOSITION OF DUTIES TO BALANCE TRADE WITH**
2 **THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

3 (a) CALCULATION OF TRADE WITH THE PEOPLE'S
4 REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—Not later than January 31 of each
5 year, the President shall calculate and publish in the Fed-
6 eral Register, for the preceding calendar year—

7 (1) the total value of articles imported into the
8 United States from the People's Republic of China;
9 and

10 (2) the total value of articles exported from the
11 United States to the People's Republic of China.

12 (b) IMPOSITION OF DUTIES.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—If the total value calculated
14 under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) exceeds the
15 total value calculated under paragraph (2) of that
16 subsection for the preceding calendar year, the
17 President shall impose an additional duty with re-
18 spect to each article imported into the United States
19 from the People's Republic of China of 25 percent
20 ad valorem.

21 (2) ADDITIONAL DUTIES.—A duty imposed
22 under paragraph (1) shall be in addition to any duty
23 previously applicable with respect to an article.

24 (c) CONTINUED IMPOSITION OF DUTIES.—The duties
25 imposed under subsection (b) with respect to articles im-
26 ported into the United States from the People's Republic

1 of China shall remain in effect until the total value cal-
2 culated under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) is equal to
3 or less than the total value calculated under paragraph
4 (2) of that subsection for the preceding calendar year.

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