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H. R. 347

### AN ACT

- To require the Executive Office of the President to provide an inflation estimate with respect to Executive orders with a significant effect on the annual gross budget, and for other purposes.
  - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
  - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the "Reduce Exacerbated3 Inflation Negatively Impacting the Nation Act".

#### 4 SEC. 2. EXECUTIVE ORDER MANDATED INFLATION AC-5 COUNTABILITY AND REFORM.

6 (a) MANDATORY INFLATION FORECASTING.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—For any major Executive 8 order, the President, acting through the Director of 9 the Office of Management and Budget and the Chair 10 of the Council of Economic Advisers, shall prepare 11 and consider a statement estimating the inflationary 12 effects of the Executive order, including whether the 13 Executive order is determined to have no significant 14 impact on inflation, is determined to have quantifi-15 able inflationary impact on the consumer or pro-16 ducer price index (including a detailed description of 17 such impact), or is determined likely to have a sig-18 nificant impact on inflation but the amount cannot 19 be determined at the time the estimate is prepared. 20 Any statement prepared under this subsection shall 21 incorporate the inflationary impact of the debt serv-22 icing costs associated with the applicable major Ex-23 ecutive order. To the greatest extent practicable, any 24 estimate of the inflationary impact of any major Ex-25 ecutive order under this section shall take into ac-26 count the spending patterns of military personnel •HR 347 EH

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and of residents of non-metropolitan areas, including rural areas and farm households.

3 (2) CPI IMPACT DISAGGREGATED.—If an Exec-4 utive order is determined to have a quantifiable in-5 flationary impact on the consumer price index under 6 subsection (a), the statement required by such sub-7 section shall include the amount of such impact on 8 the consumer price index in total and disaggregated 9 by the Food, Energy, and All Items Less Food and 10 Energy categories of the consumer price index (as 11 such categories are determined by the Secretary of 12 Labor in consultation with the Commissioner of the 13 Bureau of Labor Statistics).

14 (b) AGENCY ASSISTANCE.—The head of each agency 15 shall provide to the President, acting through the Director and the Chair, such information and assistance as the 16 17 President, acting through the Director and the Chair, may reasonably request to assist the President, acting through 18 19 the Director and the Chair, in carrying out this section. 20 (c) REPORTING.—Not later than 180 days after the 21 date of the enactment of this Act, and every year there-22 after, the President, acting through the Director and the 23 Chair, shall publish on the public website of the Office 24 of Management and Budget and submit to the Committees 25 on the Budget of the Senate and House of Representa-

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tives, the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern mental Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee on Over sight and Accountability of the House of Representatives
 a report containing each statement prepared and consid ered under subsection (a) during the year.

6 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-7 tion shall be construed to suggest that the task of com-8 bating inflation and bringing down the cost of living is 9 the sole responsibility of the Executive Office of the Presi-10 dent, and not also a key pursuit of the United States 11 House of Representatives during the 118th Congress 12 through thoughtful, productive legislative action.

13 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

14 (1) AGENCY.—The term "agency" has the
15 meaning given such term in section 551 of title 5,
16 United States Code.

17 (2) MAJOR EXECUTIVE ORDER.—The term
18 "major Executive order" means any Executive order
19 that would be projected (in a conventional cost esti20 mate) to cause an annual gross budgetary or eco21 nomic effect of at least \$1,000,000, but does not in22 clude any such measure that—

23 (A) provides for emergency assistance or
24 relief at the request of any State or local gov-

| 1  | ernment or any official of a State or local gov-      |
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| 2  | ernment; or   |
| 3  | (B) is necessary for the national security            |
| 4  | or the ratification or implementation of inter-       |
| 5  | national treaty obligations.                          |
| 6  | (3) STATE.—The term "State" means each                |
| 7  | State of the United States, the District of Columbia, |
| 8  | each commonwealth, territory, or possession of the    |
| 9  | United States, and each federally recognized Indian   |
| 10 | Tribe.  |
|    | Passed the House of Representatives March 1,          |
|    | 2023.   |

Attest:

Clerk.

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