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To provide for the safe and orderly withdrawal of United States military forces and Department of Defense contractors from Iraq, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MCGOVERN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Safe and Orderly Withdrawal From Iraq Act”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.

Sec. 2. Withdrawal of United States Armed Forces and defense contractors from Iraq.

Sec. 3. Transfer of United States military facilities in Iraq.

Sec. 4. Prohibition on use of funds to further deploy United States Armed Forces to Iraq.

Sec. 5. Assistance to Iraqi Security Forces and multinational forces in Iraq.

Sec. 6. Continuation of social and economic reconstruction activities in Iraq.

Sec. 7. Asylum or other means of protection for Iraqi citizens.

Sec. 8. Definition.

1 **SEC. 2. WITHDRAWAL OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES**  
2 **AND DEFENSE CONTRACTORS FROM IRAQ.**

3 (a) COMMENCEMENT OF WITHDRAWAL.—Not later  
4 than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
5 the Secretary of Defense shall commence the withdrawal  
6 of units and members of the Armed Forces deployed in  
7 Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom and contractors  
8 operating in Iraq and funded using amounts appropriated  
9 to the Department of Defense.

10 (b) COMPLETION OF WITHDRAWAL.—The Secretary  
11 of Defense shall complete the withdrawal of the Armed  
12 Forces and defense contractors from Iraq not later than  
13 the end of the 180-day period beginning on the date of  
14 the commencement of the withdrawal under subsection  
15 (a).

16 (c) NO INCREASE IN TROOP LEVELS PENDING OR  
17 DURING WITHDRAWAL.—Funds appropriated or other-  
18 wise made available to the Department of Defense under  
19 any provision of law may not be obligated or expended to  
20 increase the number of members of the Armed Forces  
21 serving in Iraq in excess of the number of members serv-

1 ing in Iraq as of January 1, 2007, unless the increase  
2 has been specifically authorized in advance by an Act of  
3 Congress.

4 (d) REDEPLOYMENT LOCATIONS.—Nothing in this  
5 section shall be construed to restrict the locations outside  
6 of Iraq to which units and members of the Armed Forces  
7 withdrawn from Iraq may be redeployed, including rede-  
8 ployment to an adjacent or nearby country at the invita-  
9 tion of the government of the country or redeployment to  
10 bolster military forces deployed in Afghanistan as part of  
11 Operation Enduring Freedom.

12 (e) EXCEPTIONS.—

13 (1) PERSONNEL PROVIDING SECURITY FOR  
14 UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN IRAQ.—  
15 The Secretary of Defense may retain in Iraq mem-  
16 bers of the Armed Forces for the purpose of pro-  
17 viding security for the United States Embassy and  
18 other United States diplomatic missions in Iraq.

19 (2) PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN RECONSTRUC-  
20 TION ACTIVITIES.—At the request of the Govern-  
21 ment of Iraq, the Secretary of Defense may retain  
22 in Iraq members of the Army Corps of Engineers  
23 and defense contractors engaged in reconstruction  
24 projects in Iraq, to the extent necessary to complete  
25 such projects.

1 (f) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—To carry out the safe  
2 and orderly withdrawal of the Armed Forces and defense  
3 contractors from Iraq, as required by this section, the Sec-  
4 retary of Defense may use any funds appropriated or oth-  
5 erwise made available to the Department of Defense.

6 **SEC. 3. TRANSFER OF UNITED STATES MILITARY FACILI-**  
7 **TIES IN IRAQ.**

8 The President of the United States shall transfer to  
9 the Government of Iraq all right, title, and interest held  
10 by the United States in any military facility in Iraq that  
11 was constructed, repaired, or improved using amounts ap-  
12 propriated to the Department of Defense and occupied by  
13 a unit of the Armed Forces.

14 **SEC. 4. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO FURTHER DE-**  
15 **PLOY UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES TO**  
16 **IRAQ.**

17 Beginning on the date of the completion of the with-  
18 drawal of the Armed Forces from Iraq under section 2(b),  
19 funds appropriated or otherwise made available under any  
20 provision of law may not be obligated or expended to fur-  
21 ther deploy units or members of the Armed Forces to Iraq.

22 **SEC. 5. ASSISTANCE TO IRAQI SECURITY FORCES AND MUL-**  
23 **TINATIONAL FORCES IN IRAQ.**

24 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit or  
25 otherwise restrict the use of funds available to the Depart-

1 ment of Defense for the purpose of providing financial as-  
2 sistance or equipment to the Iraqi Security Forces or the  
3 multinational forces providing security or training in Iraq  
4 at the request of the Government of Iraq.

5 **SEC. 6. CONTINUATION OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RECON-**  
6 **STRUCTION ACTIVITIES IN IRAQ.**

7 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit or  
8 otherwise restrict the use of funds available to any depart-  
9 ment or agency of the United States (other than the De-  
10 partment of Defense) to carry out social and economic re-  
11 construction activities in Iraq at the request of the Gov-  
12 ernment of Iraq.

13 **SEC. 7. ASYLUM OR OTHER MEANS OF PROTECTION FOR**  
14 **IRAQI CITIZENS.**

15 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit or  
16 otherwise restrict the authority of the President to ar-  
17 range asylum or other means of protection for Iraqi citi-  
18 zens who might be physically endangered by the with-  
19 drawal of the Armed Forces from Iraq.

20 **SEC. 8. DEFINITION.**

21 In this Act, the term “Armed Forces” has the mean-  
22 ing given the term in section 101(a)(4) of title 10, United  
23 States Code.