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To require the rescission or termination of Federal contracts and subcontracts with enemies of the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Brown of Massachusetts (for himself and Ms. Ayotte) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 Contracting with
- 5 the Enemy Act of 2011".
- 6 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
- 7 In this Act:
- 8 (1) Element of the intelligence commu-
- 9 NITY.—The term "element of the intelligence com-
- munity" means an element of the intelligence com-

- 1 munity specified or designated in section 3(4) of the 2 National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 401a(4)).
- (2) Enemy of the united states.—The term "enemy of the United States" means any per-son or organization determined by the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of State to be hostile to United States forces or interests or providing sup-port to any person or organization hostile to United States forces or interests during the time of a de-clared war, peacekeeping operation, or other military or contingency operation.
 - (3) EXECUTIVE AGENCY.—The term "executive agency" has the meaning given the term in section 133 of title 41, United States Code.
 - (4) FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION.—The term "Federal Acquisition Regulation" means the regulation maintained under section 1303(a)(1) of title 41, United States Code.
 - (5) FEDERAL CONTRACT.—The term "Federal contract" means any contract, including any order under a multiple award or indefinite delivery or indefinite quality contract, entered into by an executive agency for the procurement of property or services.

SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH ENEMIES.

- 2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the
- 3 date of the enactment of this Act, the Federal Acquisition
- 4 Regulatory Council shall amend the Federal Acquisition
- 5 Regulation—
- 6 (1) to prohibit the awarding of Federal con-
- 7 tracts to enemies of the United States; and
- 8 (2) to provide that any Federal contract with
- 9 an enemy of the United States shall be null and void
- and may be immediately terminated or rescinded by
- the head of the executive agency concerned at no
- 12 cost to the United States Government, including any
- compensation otherwise due under termination for
- 14 convenience, termination for default, or other con-
- tract provisions or provisions of law.
- 16 (b) Prohibition on Subcontracts.—The regula-
- 17 tions prescribed under subsection (a) shall prohibit the
- 18 awarding of subcontracts under a Federal contract to en-
- 19 emies of the United States, and shall include the following
- 20 requirements:
- 21 (1) Federal contracts shall include a contract
- clause prohibiting the use of a subcontractor at any
- 23 tier under the contract that is an enemy of the
- 24 United States.
- 25 (2) If the head of an executive agency deter-
- 26 mines that a prime contractor has subcontracted at

- any tier under a Federal contract with a contractor that is an enemy of the United States, the contracting official shall—
 - (A) direct the prime contractor to terminate the subcontract immediately with no further payment or compensation to the subcontractor;
 - (B) notify the prime contractor that failure to terminate the subcontract shall be grounds for default on the prime contract; and
 - (C) take all necessary actions to ensure that no further payments, including previously approved payments and compensation otherwise due under termination for convenience, termination for default, or other contract provisions or provisions of law, are made to the subcontractor.
- 18 (c) Intelligence Community and National Se19 Curity Exception.—The prohibitions under subsections
 20 (a) and (b) shall not apply to contracts entered into by
 21 elements of the intelligence community in support of intel22 ligence activities or any other contract where national se23 curity may be compromised.
- 24 (d) Monitoring of Terminated Contracts.—25 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment

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- 1 of this Act, the Administrator for Federal Procurement
- 2 Policy shall direct the Administrator of General Services
- 3 to add a field to the Federal Awardee Performance and
- 4 Integrity Information System ("FAPHS") to record con-
- 5 tracts voided or otherwise terminated based on a deter-
- 6 mination that the contract, or any subcontract under the
- 7 contract, was with an enemy of the United States as de-
- 8 fined under section 2(1).
- 9 (e) DISSEMINATION.—The Administrator for Federal
- 10 Procurement Policy, in coordination with the Secretary of
- 11 Defense and the Secretary of State, shall ensure that the
- 12 regulations implementing this Act are disseminated to all
- 13 personnel affected and that all contractors are made aware
- 14 of this policy prior to contract awards.

15 SEC. 4. DETERMINATION OF ENEMY STATUS.

- 16 (a) Regulations.—
- 17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
- the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
- of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of
- 20 State, shall prescribe regulations establishing a proc-
- ess for the heads of executive agencies to make a de-
- termination that a party to a contract is an enemy
- of the United States as defined under section 2(1).
- 24 (2) Elements.—The regulations prescribed
- under paragraph (1) shall establish—

| 1 | (A) a process for verifying the information |
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| 2 | on which a determination under such paragraph |
| 3 | is sufficiently reliable; |
| 4 | (B) a process for protecting confidential |
| 5 | sources; |
| 6 | (C) a process requiring the heads of execu- |
| 7 | tive agencies to document the basis for deter- |
| 8 | minations under paragraph (1) and the infor- |
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| 11 | (D) a process for retaining such informa- |
| 12 | tion for possible review under section 5. |
| 13 | SEC. 5. DUE PROCESS PROCEDURE. |
| 14 | (a) In General.—Any contractor whose contract is |
| 15 | voided or otherwise terminated under the procedures pre- |
| 16 | scribed pursuant to section 3 may utilize the procedures |
| 17 | established under chapter 71 of title 41, United States |
| 18 | Code, except that the only basis for a claim under these |
| 19 | procedures is that the contractor is not an enemy of the |
| 20 | United States as defined under section 2(1). |
| 21 | (b) Protection of National Security.—The reg- |
| 22 | ulations established under chapter 71 of title 41, United |
| 23 | States Code, shall be amended to provide for the protec- |
| 24 | tion of national security as appropriate when a claim is |

25 submitted under subsection (a).

1 SEC. 6. APPLICABILITY.

- 2 This Act and the amendments made pursuant to this
- 3 Act shall apply with respect to contracts entered into on

4 or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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