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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. KAINES, and Mr. YOUNG) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on ____________

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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,
SECTION 1. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZATION TO DEVELOP OR PRODUCE SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.

Section 57 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2077) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“f. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

“(1) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this subsection, and every 90 days thereafter, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to the chairman and ranking member of each of the appropriate congressional committees a report that describes each authorization issued by the Secretary under subsection b.(2) during the 90-day period preceding submission of the report.

“(B) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by subparagraph (A) shall include—

“(i) a summary of each application for an authorization under subsection b.(2) during the 90-day period preceding submission of the report, including a description of—
“(I) whether the application was accepted or rejected;

“(II) the applicant; and

“(III) the intended purpose for which the applicant sought the authorization; and

“(ii) an annex containing—

“(I) each application submitted to the Secretary during that period; and

“(II) each report submitted to the Secretary under section 810.12 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any corresponding similar regulation or ruling) during that period.

“(C) ADDITIONAL MATERIAL IN INITIAL REPORT.—The first report required to be submitted by subparagraph (A) shall include the matters required by subparagraph (B) for the period beginning on March 25, 2015, and ending on the date of the enactment of this subsection.

“(D) REVIEW BY SECRETARY OF STATE.—The Secretary shall submit each report required by this paragraph to the Secretary of State for
approval before submitting the report to the chairman and ranking members of the appropriate congressional committees.

“(E) FORM.—Each report required by this paragraph shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

“(2) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS OF APPLICATIONS AND CERTAIN REPORTS.—The Secretary of Energy shall provide to the chairman and ranking member of each of the appropriate congressional committees an application for an authorization under subsection b.(2) that is pending before or has been approved by the Secretary, or a report submitted under section 810.12 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any corresponding similar regulation or ruling), not later than 10 days after receiving a request for the application or report, as the case may be, from the chairman or ranking member of either such committee.

“(3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘appropriate congressional committees’ means—

“(A) the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and the
Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

and

“(B) the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.”.