



# UKRAINIAN NATIONAL INFORMATION SERVICE

TWITTER: @UNISDIRECT INSTAGRAM: @UNISDIRECT  
FACEBOOK: UKRAINIAN NATIONAL INFORMATION SERVICE (UNIS)

December 15, 2021

Dear Friends of Ukraine,

The Ranking Member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Sen. James Risch (R-ID), has introduced new legislation to bolster support for Ukraine. Referred to as the GUARD (Guaranteeing Ukraine's Autonomy by Reinforcing its Defense) Act, the legislative initiative is currently sponsored by the following senators:

James Inhofe (R-OK)  
Marco Rubio (R-FL)  
Pat Toomey (R-PA)  
John Barrasso (R-WY)  
John Cornyn (R-TX)  
Tom Cotton (R-AR)  
Rob Portman (R-OH)

Highlights of the bill include \$450 million in Foreign Military Financing (FMF) for Ukraine; enforces sanctions against the NordStream2 political pipeline; designates Russia as a state-sponsor of terror; reaffirms United States commitment to Ukraine's territorial integrity and independence; and, increases military assistance to Ukraine.

Below please find a link for more information and comments from the supporting sponsors:  
<https://www.foreign.senate.gov/press/ranking/release/risch-colleagues-introduce-legislation-to-bolster-support-for-ukraine>

UNIS will keep you informed of the progress of the legislation in the remaining days of the congressional session.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact the Ukrainian National Information Service (UNIS) at: [unis.sawkiw@gmail.com](mailto:unis.sawkiw@gmail.com).

~~~~~  
Michael Sawkiw, Jr.  
Director - Ukrainian National Information Service  
(Washington Bureau - Ukrainian Congress Committee of America)