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Page 830, line 8, insert “COPPER, NICKEL, COBALT, PLATINUM-GROUP ELEMENTS, TITANIUM, VANADIUM, MANGANESE, RARE EARTH ELEMENTS,” after “STEEL,”.

Page 830, after line 9, insert the following (and re-designate the subsequent subsections accordingly):

(a) Congress finds the following:

(1) Electric Vehicles and renewable energy infrastructure require significant amounts of copper, nickel, cobalt, platinum-group elements, titanium, vanadium, manganese, and rare earth elements.

(2) According to the United States Geological Survey 2020 Mineral Commodity Survey, the top producer of—

(A) copper is Chile;

(B) nickel is Indonesia;

(C) cobalt is the Congo;

(D) platinum-group elements is South Africa;
(E) titanium is China;
(F) vanadium is China;
(G) manganese is South Africa; and
(H) rare earth elements is China.

(3) UNICEF and Amnesty International estimated that 40,000 boys and girls work in mines across the Democratic Republic of the Congo, working up to 12 hours a day earning no more than two dollars a day, not attending school, are exposed to high levels of cobalt but are not issued protective equipment, and are beaten by security guards.

Page 830, line 14, insert “copper, nickel, cobalt, platinum-group elements, titanium, vanadium, manganese, rare earth elements,” after “steel,”.

Page 830, line 21, insert “copper, nickel, cobalt, platinum-group elements, titanium, vanadium, manganese, rare earth elements,” after “steel,”.

Page 831, line 1, insert “copper, nickel, cobalt, platinum-group elements, titanium, vanadium, manganese, rare earth elements,” after “steel,”.