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Mr. Warner (for himself, Mr. Thune, Ms. Baldwin, Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Moran, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Sullivan, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Collins, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. Romney, and Mrs. Capito) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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.
- This Act may be cited as the "Restricting the Emer-
- 5 gence of Security Threats that Risk Information and Com-
- 6 munications Technology Act" or the "RESTRICT Act".
- 7 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
- 8 In this Act:

1	(1) Classified national security informa-
2	TION.—The term "classified national security infor-
3	mation" means information that has been deter-
4	mined pursuant to Executive Order 13526 (50
5	U.S.C. 3161 note; relating to classified national se-
6	curity information) or any predecessor or successor
7	order, to require protection against unauthorized
8	disclosure, and is marked to indicate such classified
9	status if in documentary form.
10	(2) Controlling Holding.—The term "con-
11	trolling holding" means a holding with the power,
12	whether direct or indirect and whether exercised or
13	not exercised, to determine, direct, or decide impor-
14	tant matters affecting an entity.
15	(3) COVERED HOLDING.—The term "covered
16	holding"—
17	(A) means, regardless of how or when such
18	holding was or will be obtained or otherwise
19	come to have been held, a controlling holding
20	held, directly or indirectly, in an ICTS covered
21	holding entity by—
22	(i) a foreign adversary;
23	(ii) an entity subject to the jurisdic-
24	tion of, or organized under the laws of, a
25	foreign adversary; or

1	(iii) an entity owned, directed, or con-
2	trolled by an entity described in subpara-
3	graphs (i) or (ii); and
4	(B) includes any other holding, the struc-
5	ture of which is designed or intended to evade
6	or circumvent the application of this Act, sub-
7	ject to regulations prescribed by the Secretary
8	(4) COVERED TRANSACTION.—
9	(A) IN GENERAL.—The term "covered
10	transaction" means a transaction in which ar
11	entity described in subparagraph (B) has any
12	interest (including through an interest in a con-
13	tract for the provision of the technology or serv-
14	ice), or any class of such transactions.
15	(B) COVERED ENTITIES.—The entities de-
16	scribed in this subparagraph are:
17	(i) a foreign adversary;
18	(ii) an entity subject to the jurisdic-
19	tion of, or organized under the laws of, a
20	foreign adversary; and
21	(iii) an entity owned, directed, or con-
22	trolled by a person described in subpara-
23	graph (A) or (B).
24	(C) Non-evasion.—The term "covered
25	transaction" includes any other transaction, the

1	structure of which is designed or intended to
2	evade or circumvent the application of this Act,
3	subject to regulations prescribed by the Sec-
4	retary.
5	(D) TIMING.—The term "covered trans-
6	action" includes a current, past, or potential fu-
7	ture transaction.
8	(5) Critical infrastructure.—The term
9	"critical infrastructure" has the meaning given the
10	term in section 1016(e) of the USA PATRIOT Act
11	(42 U.S.C. 5195c(e)).
12	(6) Entity.—The term "entity" means any of
13	the following, whether established in the United
14	States or outside of the United States:
15	(A) A firm.
16	(B) A government, government agency,
17	government department, or government com-
18	mission.
19	(C) A labor union.
20	(D) A fraternal or social organization.
21	(E) A partnership.
22	(F) A trust.
23	(G) A joint venture.
24	(H) A corporation.

1	(I) A group, subgroup, or other association
2	or organization whether or not organized for
3	profit.
4	(7) Executive department and agency.—
5	The term "executive department and agency" has
6	the meaning given the term "Executive agency" in
7	section 105 of title 5, United States Code.
8	(8) Foreign adversary.—The term "foreign
9	adversary"—
10	(A) means any foreign government or re-
11	gime, determined by the Secretary, pursuant to
12	sections 3 and 5, to have engaged in a long-
13	term pattern or serious instances of conduct
14	significantly adverse to the national security of
15	the United States or the security and safety of
16	United States persons; and
17	(B) includes, unless removed by the Sec-
18	retary pursuant to section 6—
19	(i) the People's Republic of China, in-
20	cluding the Hong Kong Special Adminis-
21	trative Region and Macao Special Adminis-
22	trative Region;
23	(ii) the Republic of Cuba;
24	(iii) the Islamic Republic of Iran:

1	(iv) the Democratic People's Republic
2	of Korea;
3	(v) the Russian Federation; and
4	(vi) the Bolivarian Republic of Ven-
5	ezuela under the regime of Nicolás Maduro
6	Moros.
7	(9) Holding.—The term "holding"—
8	(A) means—
9	(i) an equity interest;
10	(ii) a stock;
11	(iii) a security;
12	(iv) a share;
13	(v) a partnership interest;
14	(vi) an interest in a limited liability
15	company;
16	(vii) a membership interest; or
17	(viii) any participation, right, or other
18	equivalent, however designated and of any
19	character; and
20	(B) includes, without limitation, any secu-
21	rity convertible into an ownership interest and
22	right, warrant, or option to acquire ownership
23	interests.

1	(10) ICTS COVERED HOLDING ENTITY.—The
2	term "ICTS covered holding entity" means any enti-
3	ty that—
4	(A) owns, controls, or manages information
5	and communications technology products or
6	services; and
7	(B)(i) has not less than 1,000,000 United
8	States-based annual active users at any point
9	during the year period preceding the date on
10	which the covered holding is referred to the
11	President; or
12	(ii) for which more than 1,000,000 units
13	have been sold to persons in the United States
14	before the date on which the covered holding is
15	referred to the President.
16	(11) Information and communications
17	TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS OR SERVICES—The term

(11) Information and communications technology products or services" means any hardware, software, or other product or service primarily intended to fulfill or enable the function of information or data processing, storage, retrieval, or communication by electronic means, including transmission, storage, and display.

1	(12) MITIGATION MEASURE.—The term "miti-
2	gation measure" means a measure agreed to in an
3	agreement between any relevant party and the Fed-
4	eral Government, or ordered by the Federal Govern-
5	ment and of which any relevant party has been noti-
6	fied, in any matter addressed under this Act to ad-
7	dress any risk arising from a covered transaction or
8	associated with a covered holding.
9	(13) Person.—The term "person" means a
10	natural person, including a citizen or national of the
11	United States or of any foreign country.
12	(14) Relevant executive department and
13	AGENCY HEADS.—The term "relevant executive de-
14	partment and agency heads" means—
15	(A) the Secretary of Treasury;
16	(B) the Secretary of State;
17	(C) the Secretary of Defense;
18	(D) the Attorney General;
19	(E) the Secretary of Homeland Security;
20	(F) the United States Trade Representa-
21	tive;
22	(G) the Director of National Intelligence;
23	(H) the Administrator of General Services;
24	(I) the Chairman of the Federal Commu-
25	nications Commission; and

1	(J) the heads of other executive depart-
2	ments and agencies, as appropriate.
3	(15) Relevant committees of congress.—
4	The term "relevant committees of Congress"
5	means—
6	(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
7	and Transportation, the Committee on the Ju-
8	diciary, the Committee on Homeland Security
9	and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on
10	Foreign Relations, the Committee on Banking,
11	Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on
12	Armed Services, the Committee on Rules and
13	Administration, and the Select Committee on
14	Intelligence of the Senate; and
15	(B) the Committee on Energy and Com-
16	merce, the Committee on the Judiciary, the
17	Committee on Homeland Security, the Com-
18	mittee on Oversight and Accountability, the
19	Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee
20	on Armed Services, the Committee on House
21	Administration, and the Permanent Select
22	Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-
23	resentatives.
24	(16) Secretary.—The term "Secretary"
25	means the Secretary of Commerce.

1	(17) Transaction.—The term "transaction"
2	means any acquisition, importation, transfer, instal-
3	lation, dealing in, or use of any information and
4	communications technology product or service, in-
5	cluding ongoing activities such as managed services,
6	data transmission, software updates, repairs, or the
7	provision of data hosting services, or a class of such
8	transactions.
9	SEC. 3. ADDRESSING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION
10	TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES
11	THAT POSE UNDUE OR UNACCEPTABLE RISK.
12	(a) In General.—The Secretary, in consultation
13	with the relevant executive department and agency heads,
14	is authorized to and shall take action to identify, deter,
15	disrupt, prevent, prohibit, investigate, or otherwise miti-
16	gate, including by negotiating, entering into, or imposing,
17	and enforcing any mitigation measure to address any risk
18	arising from any covered transaction by any person, or
19	with respect to any property, subject to the jurisdiction
20	of the United States that the Secretary determines—
21	(1) poses an undue or unacceptable risk of—
22	(A) sabotage or subversion of the design,
23	integrity, manufacturing, production, distribu-
24	tion, installation, operation, or maintenance of

1	information and communications technology
2	products and services in the United States;
3	(B) catastrophic effects on the security or
4	resilience of the critical infrastructure or digital
5	economy of the United States;
6	(C) interfering in, or altering the result or
7	reported result of a Federal election, as deter-
8	mined in coordination with the Attorney Gen-
9	eral, the Director of National Intelligence, the
10	Secretary of Treasury, and the Federal Election
11	Commission; or
12	(D) coercive or criminal activities by a for-
13	eign adversary that are designed to undermine
14	democratic processes and institutions or steer
15	policy and regulatory decisions in favor of the
16	strategic objectives of a foreign adversary to the
17	detriment of the national security of the United
18	States, as determined in coordination with the
19	Attorney General, the Director of National In-
20	telligence, the Secretary of Treasury, and the
21	Federal Election Commission; or
22	(2) otherwise poses an undue or unacceptable
23	risk to the national security of the United States or
24	the safety of United States persons.
25	(b) Procedure.—

1	(1) In general.—Not later than 180 days
2	after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
3	retary, in consultation with the relevant executive
4	department and agency heads, shall review any
5	transaction described in subsection (a) to—
6	(A) determine, not later than 180 days
7	after the date on which the Secretary initiates
8	such review, if such transaction poses an undue
9	or unacceptable risk under subsection (a)(2)
10	and qualifies as a covered transaction; and
11	(B) with respect to a transaction found to
12	pose an undue or unacceptable risk and qualify
13	as a covered transaction, determine whether—
14	(i) the covered transaction should be
15	prohibited; or
16	(ii) any other action should be taken
17	to mitigate the effects of the covered trans-
18	action.
19	(2) Published explanations.—If prac-
20	ticable, and consistent with the national security and
21	law enforcement interests of the United States, in
22	coordination and in cooperation with the Director of
23	National Intelligence, the Secretary shall publish in-
24	formation in a declassified form to explain how a

covered transaction that the Secretary denied or oth-

1	erwise mitigated under paragraph (1) meets the cri-
2	teria established under subsection (a) or section
3	4(a).
4	(3) Certain administrative procedure re-
5	QUIREMENTS INAPPLICABLE.—Section 553 of title
6	5, United State Code, shall not apply to any regula-
7	tion promulgated pursuant to paragraph (1).
8	SEC. 4. ADDRESSING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICA
9	TIONS TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND SERV
10	ICES HOLDINGS THAT POSE UNDUE OR UN
11	ACCEPTABLE RISK.
12	(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall identify and
13	refer to the President any covered holding that the Sec-
14	retary determines, in consultation with the relevant execu-
15	tive department and agency heads, poses an undue or un-
16	acceptable risk to the national security of the United
17	States or the security and safety of United States persons.
18	(b) Procedure.—
19	(1) REVIEW AND REFERRAL.—The Secretary
20	shall, by regulation, establish procedures by which
21	the Secretary, in consultation with the relevant exec-
22	utive department and agency heads, shall—
23	(A) conduct reviews of holdings to deter-
24	mine if such holdings constitute covered hold-

- ings that pose an undue or unacceptable risk under subsection (a); and
- 3 (B) refer to the President covered holdings 4 that are determined under subsection (a) to 5 pose an undue or unacceptable risk.
 - (2) Referrals prior to establishment of Regulations.—At any time preceding the issuance of regulations or establishment of procedures under subparagraph (1), the Secretary may identify and refer to the President a holding determined to be a covered holding under subsection (a) for action by the President pursuant to subsection (c) if the Secretary, in the sole and unreviewable discretion of the Secretary, determines that such referral would be in the interest of national security.
 - (3) ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE REQUIRE-MENTS INAPPLICABLE.—Subchapter II of chapter 5, and chapter 7, of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the "Administrative Procedure Act") shall not apply to any referral by the Secretary to the President of a covered holding.

(c) ACTION BY THE PRESIDENT.—

(1) In General.—Subject to section 13, with respect to any covered holding referred to the President under subsection (a), if the President deter-

mines that the covered holding poses an undue or unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States or the security and safety of United States persons, the President may take such action as the President considers appropriate to compel di-vestment of, or otherwise mitigate the risk associ-ated with, such covered holding to the full extent the covered holding is subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, with respect to—

- (A) the United States operations, assets, or property of the entity in which the covered holding is held, or of any products or services owned, controlled, designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied by the entity are used in the United States;
- (B) any tangible or intangible assets, wherever located, are used to support or enable use of the product or software of the entity in the United States; and
- (C) any data obtained or derived from use of the product or software of the entity in the United States.
- (2) Non-delegable authority.—The authority to compel divestment of a covered holding under paragraph (1) may only be exercised by the

- President and may not be delegated to any other individual, except as described in paragraph (4).
- 3 (3) ANNOUNCEMENT.—If the President deter4 mines that action is required pursuant to paragraph
 5 (1), the President shall announce the decision not
 6 later than 30 days after the date on which the Sec7 retary refers the covered holding to the President
 8 pursuant to subsection (a).
- 9 (4) Enforcement of divestment.—The 10 President may direct the Attorney General to seek 11 appropriate relief, including divestment relief, in the 12 district courts of the United States in order to im-13 plement and enforce this subsection.

14 SEC. 5. CONSIDERATIONS.

- 15 (a) Priority Information and Communications
- 16 TECHNOLOGY AREAS.—In carrying out sections 3 and 4,
- 17 the Secretary shall prioritize evaluation of—
- 18 (1) information and communications technology 19 products or services used by a party to a covered
- transaction in a sector designated as critical infra-
- 21 structure in Policy Directive 21 (February 12, 2013;
- relating to critical infrastructure security and resil-
- 23 ience);

1	(2) software, hardware, or any other product or
2	service integral to telecommunications products and
3	services, including—
4	(A) wireless local area networks;
5	(B) mobile networks;
6	(C) satellite payloads;
7	(D) satellite operations and control;
8	(E) cable access points;
9	(F) wireline access points;
10	(G) core networking systems;
11	(H) long-, short-, and back-haul networks;
12	or
13	(I) edge computer platforms;
14	(3) any software, hardware, or any other prod-
15	uct or service integral to data hosting or computing
16	service that uses, processes, or retains, or is ex-
17	pected to use, process, or retain, sensitive personal
18	data with respect to greater than 1,000,000 persons
19	in the United States at any point during the year
20	period preceding the date on which the covered
21	transaction is referred to the Secretary for review or
22	the Secretary initiates review of the covered trans-
23	action, including—
24	(A) internet hosting services;

1	(B) cloud-based or distributed computing
2	and data storage;
3	(C) machine learning, predictive analytics,
4	and data science products and services, includ-
5	ing those involving the provision of services to
6	assist a party utilize, manage, or maintain
7	open-source software;
8	(D) managed services; and
9	(E) content delivery services;
10	(4) internet- or network-enabled sensors
11	webcams, end-point surveillance or monitoring de-
12	vices, modems and home networking devices if great-
13	er than 1,000,000 units have been sold to persons
14	in the United States at any point during the year
15	period preceding the date on which the covered
16	transaction is referred to the Secretary for review or
17	the Secretary initiates review of the covered trans-
18	action;
19	(5) unmanned vehicles, including drones and
20	other aerials systems, autonomous or semi-autono-
21	mous vehicles, or any other product or service inte-
22	gral to the provision, maintenance, or management
23	of such products or services;
24	(6) software designed or used primarily for con-
25	necting with and communicating via the internet

1	that is in use by greater than 1,000,000 persons in
2	the United States at any point during the year pe-
3	riod preceding the date on which the covered trans-
4	action is referred to the Secretary for review or the
5	Secretary initiates review of the covered transaction,
6	including—
7	(A) desktop applications;
8	(B) mobile applications;
9	(C) gaming applications;
10	(D) payment applications; or
11	(E) web-based applications; or
12	(7) information and communications technology
13	products and services integral to—
14	(A) artificial intelligence and machine
15	learning;
16	(B) quantum key distribution;
17	(C) quantum communications;
18	(D) quantum computing;
19	(E) post-quantum cryptography;
20	(F) autonomous systems;
21	(G) advanced robotics;
22	(H) biotechnology;
23	(I) synthetic biology;
24	(J) computational biology; and

1	(K) e-commerce technology and services,
2	including any electronic techniques for accom-
3	plishing business transactions, online retail,
4	internet-enabled logistics, internet-enabled pay-
5	ment technology, and online marketplaces.
6	(b) Considerations Relating to Undue and Un-
7	ACCEPTABLE RISKS.—In determining whether a covered
8	transaction poses an undue or unacceptable risk under
9	section 3(a) or 4(a), the Secretary—
10	(1) shall, as the Secretary determines appro-
11	priate and in consultation with appropriate agency
12	heads, consider, where available—
13	(A) any removal or exclusion order issued
14	by the Secretary of Homeland Security, the
15	Secretary of Defense, or the Director of Na-
16	tional Intelligence pursuant to recommendations
17	of the Federal Acquisition Security Council pur-
18	suant to section 1323 of title 41, United States
19	Code;
20	(B) any order or license revocation issued
21	by the Federal Communications Commission
22	with respect to a transacting party, or any con-
23	sent decree imposed by the Federal Trade Com-
24	mission with respect to a transacting party:

1	(C) any relevant provision of the Defense
2	Federal Acquisition Regulation and the Federal
3	Acquisition Regulation, and the respective sup-
4	plements to those regulations;
5	(D) any actual or potential threats to the
6	execution of a national critical function identi-
7	fied by the Director of the Cybersecurity and
8	Infrastructure Security Agency;
9	(E) the nature, degree, and likelihood of
10	consequence to the public and private sectors of
11	the United States that would occur if
12	vulnerabilities of the information and commu-
13	nications technologies services supply chain
14	were to be exploited; and
15	(F) any other source of information that
16	the Secretary determines appropriate; and
17	(2) may consider, where available, any relevant
18	threat assessment or report prepared by the Director
19	of National Intelligence completed or conducted at
20	the request of the Secretary.
21	SEC. 6. DESIGNATION OF FOREIGN ADVERSARIES.
22	(a) In General.—
23	(1) Designation.—The Secretary may, in con-
24	sultation with the Director of National Intelligence,
25	designate any foreign government or regime as a

- foreign adversary if the Secretary finds that the foreign government or regime is engaged in a long-term pattern or serious instances of conduct significantly adverse to the national security of the United States or security and safety of United States persons.
 - retary may, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, remove the designation of any foreign government or regime as a foreign adversary, including any foreign government or regime identified in section 2(8), if the Secretary finds that the foreign government or regime is no longer engaged in a long-term pattern or serious instances of conduct significantly adverse to the national or economic security of the United States or security and safety of United States persons in a manner that would warrant designation as a foreign adversary.
- 18 (b) Notice.—Not later than 15 days before the date 19 on which the Secretary makes or removes a designation 20 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall, by classified 21 communication, notify the President pro tempore, Major-22 ity Leader, and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speak-23 er and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, 24 and the relevant committees of Congress, in writing, of 25 the intent to designate a foreign government or regime

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- 23 as a foreign adversary under this section, together with the findings made under subsection (a) with respect to the 3 foreign government or regime and the factual basis therefor. 4 SEC. 7. RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL OF DESIGNATION 6 OR REMOVAL OF DESIGNATION OF A FOR-7 EIGN ADVERSARY. (a) DEFINITION.—In this section— 8 9 (1) the term "covered joint resolution" means a 10 joint resolution of disapproval of designation or a 11 joint resolution of disapproval of removal of designa-12 tion; 13 (2) the term "joint resolution of disapproval of 14 designation" means a joint resolution the matter 15
 - after the resolving clause of which is as follows: "That Congress disapproves the designation by the Secretary of Commerce of _____ as a foreign adversary for purposes of the Securing the Information and Communications Technology and Services Supply Chain Act of 2023, and such designation shall have no force or effect until the Secretary of Commerce provides specific evidence to the relevant committees of Congress regarding the removal of designation under section 6(a) of that Act." (The blank space being appropriately filled in with the name of

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the foreign person of which the Secretary has designated as a foreign adversary of for purposes of this Act); and

(3) the term "joint resolution of disapproval of removal of designation" means a joint resolution the matter after the resolving clause of which is as follows: "That Congress disapproves the removal of designation by the Secretary of Commerce of as a foreign adversary for purposes of the Securing the Information and Communications Technology and Services Supply Chain Act of 2023, and such removal shall have no force or effect until the Secretary of Commerce provides specific evidence to the relevant committees of Congress regarding the removal of designation under section 6(a) of that Act." (The blank space being appropriately filled in with the name of the foreign government or regime of which the Secretary has removed the designation as a foreign adversary of for purposes of this Act).

(b) Expedited Consideration of Legislation.—

(1) Initiation.—In the event the Secretary designates a foreign government or regime as a foreign adversary or removes such designation as a foreign adversary, a joint resolution of disapproval of designation or a joint resolution of disapproval of re-

1	moval of designation, as applicable, that is intro-
2	duced during the 60-calendar day period thereafter
3	shall be entitled to expedited consideration pursuant
4	to this subsection.
5	(2) Introduction.—During the 60-calendar
6	day period provided for in paragraph (1), a covered
7	joint resolution may be introduced—
8	(A) in the Senate, by the Majority Leader
9	(or the designee of the Majority Leader) or the
10	Minority Leader (or the designee of the Minor-
11	ity Leader); and
12	(B) in the House of Representatives, by
13	the Speaker or the Minority Leader.
14	(3) Floor consideration in house of rep-
15	RESENTATIVES.—
16	(A) Reporting and discharge.—If a
17	relevant committee of the House to which a cov-
18	ered joint resolution has been referred has not
19	reported such covered joint resolution within 10
20	legislative days after the date of referral, that
21	committee shall be discharged from further con-
22	sideration thereof.
23	(B) Proceeding to consideration.—
24	Beginning on the third legislative day after
25	each committee to which covered joint resolu-

tion has been referred reports the covered joint resolution to the House or has been discharged from further consideration thereof, it shall be in order to move to proceed to consider the covered joint resolution in the House. All points of order against the motion are waived. Such a motion shall not be in order after the House has disposed of a motion to proceed on the covered joint resolution with regard to the same agreement. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to its adoption without intervening motion. The motion shall not be debatable. A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is disposed of shall not be in order.

(C) Consideration.—The covered joint resolution shall be considered as read. All points of order against the covered joint resolution and against its consideration are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the covered joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion except 2 hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the sponsor of the covered joint resolution (or a designee) and an opponent. A motion to

reconsider the vote on passage of the covered joint resolution shall not be in order.

(4) Consideration in the senate.—

- (A) COMMITTEE REFERRAL.—A covered joint resolution introduced in the Senate shall be referred to the relevant committees of the Senate.
- (B) Reporting and discharge.—If a relevant committee of the Senate has not reported such covered joint resolution within 10 session days after the date of referral of such legislation, that committee shall be discharged from further consideration of such legislation and the covered joint resolution shall be placed on the appropriate calendar.
- (C) Proceeding to consideration.—
 Notwithstanding Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it is in order at any time after each committee authorized to consider covered joint resolution reports it to the Senate or has been discharged from its consideration (even though a previous motion to the same effect has been disagreed to) to move to proceed to the consideration of the covered joint resolution, and all points of order against covered

joint resolution (and against consideration of the covered joint resolution) are waived. The motion to proceed is not debatable. The motion is not subject to a motion to postpone. A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to shall not be in order. If a motion to proceed to the consideration of the covered joint resolution is agreed to, the covered joint resolution shall remain the unfinished business until disposed of.

- (D) DEBATE.—Debate on covered joint resolution, and on all debatable motions and appeals in connection therewith, shall be limited to not more than 10 hours, which shall be divided equally between the majority and minority leaders or their designees. A motion to further limit debate is in order and not debatable. An amendment to, or a motion to postpone, or a motion to proceed to the consideration of other business, or a motion to recommit the covered joint resolution is not in order.
- (E) Vote on Passage.—The vote on passage shall occur immediately following the conclusion of the debate on the covered joint resolution and a single quorum call at the conclu-

sion of the debate, if requested in accordance with the rules of the Senate.

- (F) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCE-DURE.—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relating to the application of the rules of the Senate, as the case may be, to the procedure relating to a covered joint resolution shall be decided without debate.
- (G) Consideration of Veto Messages.—Debate in the Senate of any veto message with respect to a covered joint resolution, including all debatable motions and appeals in connection with such covered joint resolution, shall be limited to 10 hours, to be equally divided between, and controlled by, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees.
- (5) Rules relating to senate and house of representatives.—
- (A) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY OTHER HOUSE.—If, before the passage by one House of a covered joint resolution of that House, that House receives a covered joint resolution from the other House, then the following procedures shall apply:

1	(i) The covered joint resolution of the
2	other House shall not be referred to a com-
3	mittee.
4	(ii) With respect to covered joint reso-
5	lution of the House receiving the legisla-
6	tion—
7	(I) the procedure in that House
8	shall be the same as if no covered
9	joint resolution had been received
10	from the other House; but
11	(II) the vote on passage shall be
12	on the covered joint resolution of the
13	other House.
14	(B) Treatment of a covered joint
15	RESOLUTION OF OTHER HOUSE.—If one House
16	fails to introduce a covered joint resolution
17	under this section, the covered joint resolution
18	of the other House shall be entitled to expedited
19	floor procedures under this section.
20	(C) TREATMENT OF COMPANION MEAS-
21	URES.—If, following passage of the covered
22	joint resolution in the Senate, the Senate then
23	receives a companion measure from the House
24	of Representatives, the companion measure
25	shall not be debatable.

- 1 (c) Rules of Senate and House of Representa-2 Tives.—Subsection (b) is enacted by Congress—
- (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the Senate and the House of Representatives, re-spectively, and as such are deemed a part of the rules of each House, respectively, but applicable only with respect to the procedure to be followed in that House in the case of legislation described in those sections, and supersede other rules only to the ex-tent that they are inconsistent with such rules; and
 - (2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as relating to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of that House.

(d) Effect of Covered Joint Resolution.—

- (1) Joint resolutions of disapproval of Designation.—A joint resolution of disapproval of designation that is enacted in accordance with this section shall remove the designation as a foreign adversary of a foreign government or regime that is the subject of the joint resolution of disapproval of designation for purposes of this Act.
- (2) Joint resolutions of disapproval of removal of designation.—A joint resolution of

- 1 disapproval of removal of designation that is enacted
- 2 in accordance with this section shall prohibit the re-
- 3 moval of designation as a foreign adversary of a for-
- 4 eign government or regime that is the subject of the
- 5 joint resolution of disapproval of removal of designa-
- 6 tion for purposes of this Act.

7 SEC. 8. IMPLEMENTING AUTHORITIES.

- 8 (a) Regulations.—In carrying out the responsibil-
- 9 ities under this Act, the Secretary may establish such
- 10 rules, regulations, and procedures as the Secretary con-
- 11 siders appropriate.
- 12 (b) Classes of Transactions.—In conducting re-
- 13 views, promulgating regulations, implementing prohibi-
- 14 tions or other mitigation measures, or otherwise carrying
- 15 out the responsibilities under this Act, the Secretary may
- 16 take action with respect to both individual covered trans-
- 17 actions and classes of covered transactions.
- 18 (c) Other Authorities.—
- 19 (1) In General.—The Secretary may issue
- 20 guidance, including advisory opinions, and establish
- 21 procedures to carry out this Act.
- 22 (2) Lists of foreign persons.—The Sec-
- 23 retary may create lists of foreign persons that may
- 24 be subject to prohibitions or restrictions and related

- 1 mechanisms to revise and update such lists periodi-2 cally.
- 3 (3) Additional authority.—The Secretary
- 4 may undertake any other action as necessary to
- 5 carry out the responsibilities under this Act that is
- 6 not otherwise prohibited by law.
- 7 (d) Advisory Committees.—The Secretary may ap-
- 8 point technical advisory committees to advise the Sec-
- 9 retary in carrying out the responsibilities under this Act.
- 10 Chapter 10 of part 1 of title 5, United States Code, shall
- 11 not apply to any meeting of such an advisory committee
- 12 held pursuant to this subsection.

13 SEC. 9. INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED.

- 14 (a) In General.—The Secretary may require any
- 15 party to a transaction or holding under review or inves-
- 16 tigation pursuant to this Act to furnish under oath, in the
- 17 form of reports or otherwise, at any time as may be re-
- 18 quired by the Secretary, complete information relative to
- 19 any act, transaction, or holding, subject to the provisions
- 20 of this Act.
- 21 (b) AUTHORITY.—In carrying out this Act, the Sec-
- 22 retary may—
- 23 (1) require that information or reports required
- 24 to be submitted under subsection (a) include the
- 25 production of any documents relating to any act,

- transaction, or property relating to a transaction or
 holding under review or investigation;
- 3 (2) require information or reports required to 4 be submitted under subsection (a) before, during, or 5 after consummation of a transaction or holding 6 under review or investigation; and
- 7 (3) conduct investigations, hold hearings, ad-8 minister oaths, examine witnesses, receive evidence, 9 take depositions, and require by subpoena the at-10 tendance and testimony of witnesses and the produc-11 tion of any documents relating to any transaction or 12 holding under review or investigation, regardless of 13 whether any report has been required or filed in con-14 nection therewith, including through another person 15 or agency.
- 16 (c) FORMAT.—Any person producing any document 17 to the Secretary pursuant to this section shall produce the 18 document in a format useable to the Department of Com-19 merce, which may be detailed in the request for documents 20 or otherwise agreed to by the parties.
- 21 (d) Confidentiality and Disclosure of Infor-22 mation.—
- 23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), 24 any information or document not otherwise publicly 25 or commercially available that has been submitted to

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1	the Secretary under this Act shall not be released
2	publicly except to the extent required by Federa
3	law.
4	(2) Disclosure.—Not withstanding paragraph
5	(1), the Secretary may disclose information or docu-
6	ments that are not otherwise publicly or commer-
7	cially available in the following circumstances:
8	(A) Pursuant to an administrative or judi-
9	cial proceeding, including any judicial review
10	under section 12.
11	(B) Pursuant to an Act of Congress.
12	(C) Pursuant to a request from a relevant
13	committee of Congress.
14	(D) Pursuant to a request from any Fed-
15	eral, State, or local governmental entity, or to
16	any foreign government entity of a United
17	States ally or partner, if such request is impor-
18	tant to the national security analysis or actions
19	of the Secretary, but only to the extent nec-
20	essary for national security purposes, and sub-
21	ject to appropriate confidentiality and classifica-
22	tion requirements.
23	(E) If any party to whom the information
24	or documents pertain consents to such disclo-

sure.

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1	(F) If the Secretary determines, in the sole
2	and unreviewable discretion of the Secretary,
3	that the release of such information is in the
4	national interest of the United States.
5	(G) Any other purpose authorized by Fed-
6	eral law.
7	SEC. 10. ENFORCEMENT.
8	(a) Investigations.—
9	(1) In general.—The President shall rely on
10	including by delegation, the Secretary, and the heads
11	of other Federal agencies, as appropriate, to conduct
12	investigations of violations of any authorization,
13	order, mitigation measure, regulation, or prohibition
14	issued under this Act.
15	(2) Actions by designees.—In conducting in-
16	vestigations described in paragraph (1), designated
17	officers or employees of Federal agencies described
18	that paragraph may, to the extent necessary or ap-
19	propriate to enforce this Act, exercise such authority
20	as is conferred upon them by any other Federal law,
21	subject to policies and procedures approved by the

23 (b) PERMITTED ACTIVITIES.—Officers and employ-24 ees of agencies authorized to conduct investigations under 25 subsection (a) may—

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- 1 (1) inspect, search, detain, seize, or impose 2 temporary denial orders with respect to items, in 3 any form, or conveyances on which it is believed that 4 there are items that have been, are being, or are 5 about to be imported into the United States in viola-6 tion of this Act or any other applicable Federal law;
 - (2) require, inspect, and obtain books, records, and any other information from any person subject to the provisions of this Act or other applicable Federal law;
 - (3) administer oaths or affirmations and, by subpoena, require any person to appear and testify or to appear and produce books, records, and other writings, or both; and
 - (4) obtain court orders and issue legal process to the extent authorized under chapters 119, 121, and 206 of title 18, United States Code, or any other applicable Federal law.
- (c) Enforcement of Subpoenas.—In the case of contumacy by, or refusal to obey a subpoena issued to, any person under subsection (b)(3), a district court of the United States, after notice to such person and a hearing, shall have jurisdiction to issue an order requiring such person to appear and give testimony or to appear and produce books, records, and other writings, regardless of

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1	format, that are the subject of the subpoena. Any failure
2	to obey such order of the court may be punished by such
3	court as a contempt thereof.
4	(d) ACTIONS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The At-
5	torney General may bring an action in an appropriate dis-
6	trict court of the United States for appropriate relief, in-
7	cluding declaratory and injunctive, or divestment relief,
8	against any person who violates this Act or any regulation,
9	order, direction, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other
10	authorization or directive issued under this Act. In any
11	such action, the limitations as described under section
12	12(b) shall apply.
13	SEC. 11. PENALTIES.
14	(a) Unlawful Acts.—
15	(1) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for a
16	person to violate, attempt to violate, conspire to vio-
17	late, or cause a violation of any regulation, order, di-
18	rection, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other au-
19	thorization or directive issued under this Act, includ-
20	ing any of the unlawful acts described in paragraph
21	(2).
22	(2) Specific unlawful acts.—The unlawful
23	acts described in this paragraph are the following:
24	(A) No person may engage in any conduct
25	prohibited by or contrary to, or refrain from en-

- gaging in any conduct required by any regulation, order, direction, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other authorization or directive issued under this Act.
 - (B) No person may cause or aid, abet, counsel, command, induce, procure, permit, or approve the doing of any act prohibited by, or the omission of any act required by any regulation, order, direction, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other authorization or directive issued under, this Act.
 - (C) No person may solicit or attempt a violation of any regulation, order, direction, mitigation measure, prohibition, or authorization or directive issued under this Act.
 - (D) No person may conspire or act in concert with 1 or more other person in any manner or for any purpose to bring about or to do any act that constitutes a violation of any regulation, order, direction, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other authorization or directive issued under this Act.
 - (E) No person may, whether directly or indirectly through any other person, make any false or misleading representation, statement,

1	or certification, or falsify or conceal any mate-
2	rial fact, to the Department of Commerce or
3	any official of any other executive department
4	or agency—
5	(i) in the course of an investigation or
6	other action subject to this Act, or any
7	regulation, order, direction, mitigation
8	measure, prohibition, or other authoriza-
9	tion or directive issued thereunder; or
10	(ii) in connection with the prepara-
11	tion, submission, issuance, use, or mainte-
12	nance of any report filed or required to be
13	filed pursuant to this Act, or any regula-
14	tion, order, direction, mitigation measure,
15	prohibition, or other authorization or direc-
16	tive issued thereunder.
17	(F) No person may engage in any trans-
18	action or take any other action with intent to
19	evade the provisions of this Act, or any regula-
20	tion, order, direction, mitigation measure, pro-
21	hibition, or other authorization or directive
22	issued thereunder.
23	(G) No person may fail or refuse to comply
24	with any reporting or recordkeeping require-

ment of this Act, or any regulation, order, di-

rection, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other authorization or directive issued there-under.

(H) Except as specifically authorized in this subchapter, any regulation, order, direction, mitigation measure, or other authorization or directive issued thereunder or in writing by the Department of Commerce, no person may alter any order, direction, mitigation measure, or other authorization or directive issued under this Act or any related regulation.

(3) Additional requirements.—

- (A) CONTINUATION OF EFFECT.—For purposes of paragraph (2)(E), any representation, statement, or certification made by any person shall be deemed to be continuing in effect until the person notifies the Department of Commerce or relevant executive department or agency in accordance with subparagraph (B).
- (B) Notification.—Any person who makes a representation, statement, or certification to the Department of Commerce or any official of any other executive department or agency relating to any order, direction, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other authoriza-

1 tion or directive issued under this Act shall no-2 tify the Department of Commerce or the rel-3 evant executive department or agency, in writ-4 ing, of any change of any material fact or in-5 tention from that previously represented, stat-6 ed, or certified, immediately upon receipt of any 7 information that would lead a reasonably pru-8 dent person to know that a change of material 9 fact or intention had occurred or may occur in 10 the future.

- 11 (b) CIVIL PENALTIES.—The Secretary may impose 12 the following civil penalties on a person for each violation 13 by that person of this Act or any regulation, order, direc-14 tion, mitigation measure, prohibition, or other authoriza-15 tion issued under this Act:
 - (1) A fine of not more than \$250,000 or an amount that is twice the value of the transaction that is the basis of the violation with respect to which the penalty is imposed, whichever is greater.
 - (2) Revocation of any mitigation measure or authorization issued under this Act to the person.

22 (c) Criminal Penalties.—

23 (1) In General.—A person who willfully commits, willfully attempts to commit, or willfully conspires to commit, or aids or abets in the commission

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of an unlawful act described in subsection (a) shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$1,000,000, or if a natural person, may be imprisoned for not more than 20 years, or both.

(2) CIVIL FORFEITURE.—

(A) Forfeiture.—

- (i) IN GENERAL.—Any property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, used or intended to be used, in any manner, to commit or facilitate a violation or attempted violation described in paragraph (1) shall be subject to forfeiture to the United States.
- (ii) PROCEEDS.—Any property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, constituting or traceable to the gross proceeds taken, obtained, or retained, in connection with or as a result of a violation or attempted violation described in paragraph (1) shall be subject to forfeiture to the United States.
- (B) PROCEDURE.—Seizures and forfeitures under this subsection shall be governed by the provisions of chapter 46 of title 18, United States Code, relating to civil forfeitures, except

44 1 that such duties as are imposed on the Sec-2 retary of Treasury under the customs laws de-3 scribed in section 981(d) of title 18, United 4 States Code, shall be performed by such officers, agents, and other persons as may be des-6 ignated for that purpose by the Secretary of 7 Homeland Security or the Attorney General. (3) Criminal forfeiture.— 8 9 (A) FORFEITURE.—Any person who is 10 convicted under paragraph (1) shall, in addition 11 to any other penalty, forfeit to the United 12 States— 13 (i) any property, real or personal, tan-14 gible or intangible, used or intended to be 15 used, in any manner, to commit or facili-16

- tate the violation or attempted violation of paragraph (1); and
- (ii) any property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, constituting traceable to the gross proceeds taken, obtained, or retained, in connection with or as a result of the violation.
- (B) PROCEDURE.—The criminal forfeiture of property under this paragraph, including any seizure and disposition of the property, and any

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1	related judicial proceeding, shall be governed by
2	the provisions of section 413 of the Controlled
3	Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 853), except sub-
4	sections (a) and (d) of that section.
5	SEC. 12. JUDICIAL REVIEW.
6	(a) Definition.—In this section, the term "classi-
7	fied information"—
8	(1) has the meaning given the term in section
9	1(a) of the Classified Information Procedures Act
10	(18 U.S.C. App.); and
11	(2) includes—
12	(A) any information or material that has
13	been determined by the Federal Government
14	pursuant to an Executive order, statute, or reg-
15	ulation to require protection against unauthor-
16	ized disclosure for reasons of national security;
17	and
18	(B) any restricted data, as defined in sec-
19	tion 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42
20	U.S.C. 2014).
21	(b) Administrative and Judicial Review.—Not-
22	withstanding any other provision of law, actions taken by
23	the President and the Secretary, and the findings of the
24	President and the Secretary, under this Act shall not be
25	subject to administrative review or judicial review in any

- 1 Federal court, except as otherwise provided in this section.
- 2 Actions taken by the Secretary under this Act shall not
- 3 be subject to sections 551, 553 through 559, and 701
- 4 through 707 of title 5, United States Code.
- 5 (c) Petitions.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
 the Secretary takes action under section 3(a), or the
 President takes action under section 4(c), an aggrieved person may apply for review by filing a petition for review in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.
- 12 (2) STANDARD OF REVIEW.—The court shall 13 not disturb any action taken by the Secretary under 14 section 3(a), or by the President under section 4(c), 15 unless the petitioner demonstrates that the action is 16 unconstitutional or in patent violation of a clear and 17 mandatory statutory command.
- 18 (d) EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION.—The United States
 19 Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit shall
 20 have exclusive jurisdiction over claims arising under this
 21 Act against the United States, any executive department
 22 or agency, or any component or official of an executive
 23 department or agency, subject to review by the Supreme
 24 Court of the United States under section 1254 of title 28,
- 25 United States Code.

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1	(e) Administrative Record and Procedure.—
2	(1) In general.—The procedures described in
3	this subsection shall apply to the review of a petition
4	for review under this section.
5	(2) FILING OF RECORD.—The United States
6	shall file with the court an administrative record,
7	which shall consist of the information that the ap-
8	propriate official relied upon in taking a final action
9	under this Act.
10	(3) Unclassified, nonprivileged informa-
11	TION.—All unclassified information contained in the
12	administrative record filed pursuant to paragraph
13	(2) that is not otherwise privileged or subject to
14	statutory protections shall be provided to the peti-
15	tioner with appropriate protections for any privileged
16	or confidential trade secrets and commercial or fi-
17	nancial information.
18	(4) IN CAMERA AND EX PARTE REVIEW.—The
19	following information may be included in the admin-
20	istrative record and shall be submitted only to the
21	court ex parte and in camera:
22	(A) Sensitive security information, as de-

fined by section 1520.5 of title 49, Code of

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- 1 (B) Privileged law enforcement informa-2 tion.
 - (C) Information obtained or derived from any activity authorized under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.), except that, with respect to such information, subsections (c), (e), (f), (g), and (h) of section 106 (50 U.S.C. 1806), subsections (d), (f), (g), (h), and (i) of section 305 (50 U.S.C. 1825), subsections (c), (e), (f), (g), and (h) of section 405 (50 U.S.C. 1845), and section 706 (50 U.S.C. 1881e) of that Act shall not apply.
 - (D) Information subject to privilege or protections under any other provision of law, including the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970 (31 U.S.C. 5311 et seq.).
 - (5) Information under seal.—Any information that is part of the administrative record filed exparte and in camera under paragraph (4), or cited by the court in any decision, shall be treated by the court consistent with the provisions of this section. In no event shall such information be released to the petitioner or as part of the public record.

- 1 (6) Return.—After the expiration of the time
- 2 to seek further review, or the conclusion of further
- 3 proceedings, the court shall return the administra-
- 4 tive record, including any and all copies, to the
- 5 United States.
- 6 (f) EXCLUSIVE REMEDY.—A determination by the
- 7 court under this section shall be the exclusive judicial rem-
- 8 edy for any claim described in this section against the
- 9 United States, any executive department or agency, or any
- 10 component or official of any such executive department or
- 11 agency.
- 12 (g) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this sec-
- 13 tion shall be construed as limiting, superseding, or pre-
- 14 venting the invocation of, any privileges or defenses that
- 15 are otherwise available at law or in equity to protect
- 16 against the disclosure of information.

17 SEC. 13. RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.

- 18 (a) In General.—Except as expressly provided
- 19 herein, nothing in this Act shall be construed to alter or
- 20 affect any other authority, process, regulation, investiga-
- 21 tion, enforcement measure, or review provided by or estab-
- 22 lished under any other provision of Federal law, including
- 23 the Federal Acquisition Regulation or the International
- 24 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et

1	seq.), or any other authority of the President or Congress
2	under the Constitution of the United States.
3	(b) Relationship to Section 721 of the De-
4	FENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950.—
5	(1) In General.—Notwithstanding section
6	721(d)(4)(B) of the Defense Production Act of 1950
7	(50 U.S.C. 4565(d)(4)(B)), nothing in this Act shall
8	prevent or preclude the President or the Committee
9	on Foreign Investment in the United States from ex-
10	ercising any authority under section 721 of the De-
11	fense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565 et
12	seq.), as would be available in the absence of this
13	Act.
14	(2) Authority of the president.—The
15	President may not exercise any authority under sec-
16	tion 4 with respect to a covered holding that directly
17	resulted from a transaction if—
18	(A) the Committee on Foreign Investment
19	in the United States reviewed the transaction
20	(or a broader transaction that included the
21	transaction) as a covered transaction (as de-
22	fined in section 721(a)(4) of the Defense Pro-
23	duction Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(4))
24	and its implementing regulations; and

1	(B) under section 721 of the Defense Pro-
2	duction Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565)—
3	(i) the Committee on Foreign Invest-
4	ment in the United States cleared the
5	transaction and notified the parties to the
6	transaction (or a broader transaction that
7	included the transaction) that the Com-
8	mittee on Foreign Investment in the
9	United States completed all action with re-
10	spect to the transaction (or a broader
11	transaction that included the transaction)
12	or
13	(ii) the President announced a deci-
14	sion declining to take action with respect
15	to the transaction (or a broader trans-
16	action that included the transaction).
17	(3) COORDINATION.—The Secretary shall ad-
18	dress coordination with respect to review by the
19	Committee on Foreign Investment in the United
20	States in implementing the procedures under this
21	Act.
22	(c) Limitation of Authority of the Sec-
23	RETARY.—The Secretary may not initiate a review of any
24	transaction that involves the acquisition of an information

- 1 and communications technology product or service by a
- 2 United States person as a party to a transaction—
- 3 (1) authorized under a United States govern-
- 4 ment-industrial security program; or
- 5 (2) to meet an articulable national security or
- 6 law enforcement requirement.

7 SEC. 14. TRANSITION.

- 8 All delegations, rules, regulations, orders, determina-
- 9 tions, licenses, or other forms of administrative action
- 10 taken by the Secretary made, issued, conducted, or al-
- 11 lowed to become effective under Executive Order 13873
- 12 of May 19, 2019 and the International Emergency Eco-
- 13 nomic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), including reg-
- 14 ulations issued under part 7 of subtitle A of title 15, Code
- 15 of Federal Regulations, and are in effect as of the date
- 16 of enactment of this Act, shall continue in effect according
- 17 to their terms and as if made, issued, conducted, or al-
- 18 lowed to become effective pursuant to the authority of this
- 19 Act, until modified, superseded, set aside, or revoked
- 20 under the authority of this Act, without regard to any re-
- 21 striction or limitation under the International Emergency
- 22 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

23 SEC. 15. MISCELLANEOUS.

- 24 (a) Paperwork Reduction Act.—The require-
- 25 ments of chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (com-

- 1 monly referred to as the "Paperwork Reduction Act"),
- 2 shall not apply to any action by the Secretary to imple-
- 3 ment this Act.
- 4 (b) APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATES.—To expedite
- 5 the ability of the Secretary to implement this Act, the Sec-
- 6 retary may appoint, without regard to the provisions of
- 7 sections 3309 through 3318 of title 5, United States Code,
- 8 candidates directly to positions in the competitive service
- 9 (as defined in section 212 of that title).
- 10 (c) Administrative Procedures.—Except with re-
- 11 spect to a civil penalty imposed pursuant to section 9(b)
- 12 of this Act, the functions exercised under this Act shall
- 13 not be subject to sections 551, 553 through 559, and 701
- 14 through 706 of title 5, United States Code.
- 15 (d) Protected Information in Civil Actions.—
- 16 If a civil action challenging an action or finding under this
- 17 Act is brought, and the court determines that protected
- 18 information in the administrative record, including classi-
- 19 fied or other information subject to privilege or protections
- 20 under any provision of law, is necessary to resolve the ac-
- 21 tion, that information shall be submitted ex parte and in
- 22 camera to the court and the court shall maintain that in-
- 23 formation under seal. This subsection does not confer or
- 24 imply any right to judicial review.

- 1 (e) Applicability of Use of Information Provi-
- 2 SIONS.—The use of information provisions of sections 106,
- 3 305, 405, and 706 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance
- 4 Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1806, 1825, 1845, and 1881e)
- 5 shall not apply in a civil action brought under this Act.
- 6 (f) No Right of Access.—
- 7 (1) In general.—No provision of this Act 8 shall be construed to create a right to obtain access 9 to information in the possession of the Federal Gov-10 ernment that was considered in making a determina-11 tion under this Act that a transaction is a covered 12 transaction or interest or to prohibit, mitigate, or 13 take action against a covered transaction or interest, 14 including any classified national security information 15 or sensitive but unclassified information.
 - (2) Inapplicability of foia.—Any information submitted to the Federal Government by a party to a covered transaction in accordance with this Act, as well as any information the Federal Government may create relating to review of the covered transaction, is exempt from disclosure under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Freedom of Information Act").

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1 SEC. 16. SEVERABILITY.

- 2 If any provision of this Act, or the application of such
- 3 provision to any person or circumstance is held to be in-
- 4 valid, the remainder of this Act, and the application of
- 5 the remaining provisions of this Act to any person or cir-
- 6 cumstance, shall not be affected.

7 SEC. 17. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 8 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
- 9 as may be necessary to carry out this Act.

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