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# H. R. 904

To prohibit the Department of Defense from contracting with foreign contractors for ship repair until a certification is made to Congress.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 13, 1995

Mr. ANDREWS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National Security

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## 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 “American Shipyard  
5 Worker Protection Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON CONTRACTS WITH FOREIGN CON-**  
7 **TRACTORS FOR SHIP REPAIR.**

8 (a) LIMITATION.—Section 7299a of title 10, United  
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-  
10 ing new subsection:

1       “(d) The Secretary of the Navy may not enter into  
2 a contract with a foreign nation or foreign firm for the  
3 overhaul, repair, or maintenance of a naval vessel or any  
4 other vessel (whether or not owned by the United States)  
5 that operates under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of  
6 the Navy unless the Secretary of Defense certifies to the  
7 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House  
8 of Representatives in advance that at least one of the fol-  
9 lowing conditions exists:

10           “(1) The work was unplanned and is of an  
11 emergency nature.

12           “(2) There is a compelling national security  
13 reason for the work to be done by a foreign nation  
14 or foreign firm.

15           “(3) There is a compelling economic reason for  
16 the work to be done by a foreign nation or foreign  
17 firm.”.

18       (b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (d) of section 7299a  
19 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection  
20 (a), applies with respect to a contract for the overhaul,  
21 repair, or maintenance of a naval vessel or any other vessel  
22 (whether or not owned by the United States) that is oper-  
23 ated under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Navy

- 1 that is entered into after the end of the 60-day period be-
- 2 ginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

