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H. R. 983

To further establish the ballistic missile defense policy of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. EVANS, Ms. FURSE, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. SABO, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. STARK, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. MILLER of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National Security

A BILL

To further establish the ballistic missile defense policy of the United States.

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 “Ballistic Missile
5 Defense Act of 1995”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress makes the following findings:

1 (1) The Congress has appropriated
2 \$36,000,000,000 for missile defense research and
3 development during the past 12 years.

4 (2) The United States has a limited amount of
5 resources available for military spending.

6 (3) The end of the Cold War requires the
7 United States to reevaluate its military spending
8 commitments.

9 (4) Senior United States intelligence officials
10 have determined that a serious long-range missile
11 threat from countries other than China and Russia
12 is at least a decade away.

13 (5) The United States has much more of a
14 time-urgent need for the development of short-range
15 missile defense for the foreseeable future.

16 (6) The 1972 ABM Treaty has helped avert a
17 costly and destabilizing offense/defense nuclear arms
18 race for nearly a quarter of a century and remains
19 important for further reductions in the Russian and
20 United States nuclear arsenals.

21 (7) The United States has at its disposal many
22 measures to seek the prevention of long-range mis-
23 sile proliferation that are much less costly than anti-
24 ballistic missile technology development and deploy-
25 ment.

1 **SEC. 3. POLICY.**

2 It is the policy of the United States—

3 (1) to adhere to the spirit and letter of the
4 1972 ABM Treaty; and

5 (2) to direct the limited missile defense re-
6 sources of the United States primarily toward short-
7 range missile threats.

8 **SEC. 4. LIMITATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996 ON FUNDS FOR**

9 **BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZA-**
10 **TION.**

11 Of the funds made available for the Department of
12 Defense for fiscal year 1996, not more than
13 \$1,250,000,000 shall be made available for the Ballistic
14 Missile Defense Organization.

15 **SEC. 5. LIMITATION ON FIELD TESTING AND DEPLOYMENT.**

16 (a) LIMITATION.—No funds may be spent on field
17 testing or deployment of any missile defense system or
18 component in a manner that is inconsistent with the tradi-
19 tional interpretation of the 1972 ABM Treaty, as estab-
20 lished in the ratification process, subsequent state prac-
21 tice, and Agreed Statements and Common Understand-
22 ings, notwithstanding any agreements in the Standing
23 Consultative Commission concerning the clarification of
24 the distinction between theater and strategic defenses that
25 have been approved by the Senate and the Russian State
26 Duma.

1 (b) 1972 ABM TREATY.—For purposes of this Act,
2 the term “1972 ABM Treaty” means the Treaty between
3 the United States of America and the Union of Soviet So-
4 cialist Republics on the Limitation of Anti-Ballistic Mis-
5 siles, signed on May 26, 1972.

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