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# H. R. 7226

To amend the National Security Act of 1947 to clarify the authority of the intelligence community to conduct domestic intelligence activities.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STEWART (for himself and Mr. KELLY of Mississippi) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

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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 “Intelligence Commu-  
5 nity Authorities Clarification Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE AC-**  
2 **TIVITIES BY THE INTELLIGENCE COMMU-**  
3 **NITY.**

4 Title I of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
5 U.S.C. 3021 et seq.) is amended by inserting before sec-  
6 tion 101 the following new section (and conforming the  
7 table of contents accordingly):

8 **“SEC. 100. PROHIBITION ON DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE AC-**  
9 **TIVITIES BY THE INTELLIGENCE COMMU-**  
10 **NITY.**

11 “(a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided by sub-  
12 sections (b) and (c), notwithstanding any other provision  
13 of law, an element of the intelligence community may not  
14 conduct any intelligence or intelligence-related activity un-  
15 less such activity has a nexus to foreign intelligence or  
16 counterintelligence.

17 “(b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition in subsection (a)  
18 shall not apply with respect to the administrative and  
19 human resources functions of an element of the intel-  
20 ligence community.

21 “(c) WAIVER.—The President may waive the prohibi-  
22 tion in subsection (a) for a period not exceeding 1 year  
23 if, prior to such waiver, the President submits to the con-  
24 gressional intelligence committees—

