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S. 1549

To require a review of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration preference for domestic suppliers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. PETERS 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. REVIEW OF PREFERENCE FOR DOMESTIC SUP-**
4 **PLIERS.**

5 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the Sense of Con-
6 gress that the National Aeronautics and Space Adminis-
7 tration (referred to in this section as “NASA”) should,
8 to the maximum extent practicable and with due consider-
9 ation of foreign policy goals and obligations under Federal
10 law—

1 (1) use domestic suppliers of goods and serv-
2 ices; and

3 (2) ensure compliance with the Federal acquisi-
4 tion regulations, including subcontract flow-down
5 provisions.

6 (b) REVIEW.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
8 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Ad-
9 ministrator of NASA shall undertake a comprehen-
10 sive review of the domestic supplier preferences of
11 NASA and the obligations of NASA under the Fed-
12 eral acquisition regulations to ensure compliance,
13 particularly with respect to Federal acquisition regu-
14 lations provisions that apply to foreign-based sub-
15 contractors.

16 (2) ELEMENTS.—The review under paragraph
17 (1) shall include—

18 (A) an assessment as to whether NASA
19 has provided funding for infrastructure of a for-
20 eign-owned company or State-sponsored entity
21 in recent years; and

22 (B) a review of any impact such funding
23 has had on domestic service providers.

24 (c) REPORT.—The Administrator of NASA shall sub-
25 mit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-

- 1 portation of the Senate and the Committee on Science,
- 2 Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives
- 3 a report on the results of the review.

