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S. 2116

To require the Secretary of Commerce to produce a report that provides recommendations to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of Department of Commerce programs related to supply chain resilience and manufacturing and industrial innovation, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 22, 2023

Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN) 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Strengthening Support
5 for American Manufacturing Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (a) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The
 2 term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

3 (1) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
 4 Transportation of the Senate; and

5 (2) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of
 6 the House of Representatives.

7 (b) COVERED OFFICES AND BUREAUS.—The term
 8 “covered offices and bureaus” means offices and bureaus
 9 of the Department of Commerce identified under section
 10 3(a)(1).

11 (c) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the
 12 Secretary of Commerce.

13 **SEC. 3. STUDY RELATING TO MANUFACTURING PROGRAMS**
 14 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.**

15 (a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 1 year after the
 16 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall produce
 17 a report that—

18 (1) identifies offices and bureaus of the Depart-
 19 ment of Commerce that are relevant to—

20 (A) critical supply chain resilience; and

21 (B) manufacturing and industrial innova-
 22 tion;

23 (2) identifies the duties, responsibilities, re-
 24 sources, programs, and expertise relevant to critical
 25 supply chain resilience and manufacturing and in-

1 industrial innovation of each covered office and bu-
2 reau;

3 (3) identifies and assesses the purpose, statu-
4 tory authority, effectiveness, efficiency, and limita-
5 tions of each covered office and bureau; and

6 (4) provides recommendations to improve the
7 effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of each covered
8 office and bureau, including recommendations to—

9 (A) optimize operations within or across
10 covered offices and bureaus;

11 (B) address any resource or staffing defi-
12 cits hindering optimal operations within a cov-
13 ered office or bureau;

14 (C) improve coordination across covered of-
15 fices and bureaus; and

16 (D) improve coordination with Federal
17 agencies implementing similar activities related
18 to critical supply chain resilience and manufac-
19 turing and industrial innovation.

20 (b) NATIONAL ACADEMY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRA-
21 TION.—The Secretary shall contract with the National
22 Academy of Public Administration in producing the report
23 under subsection (a).

24 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
25 on which the Secretary produces the report under sub-

1 section (a), the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate
2 committees of Congress—

3 (1) the report produced under subsection (a);

4 (2) recommendations for potential legislative ac-
5 tion addressing recommendations in the report pro-
6 duced under subsection (a); and

7 (3) a response from the Secretary to the rec-
8 ommendations included in the report published
9 under subsection (a).

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