- (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that-
- (1) recent elections globally have illustrated the urgent need for the promotion and exchange of international best election practices, particularly in the areas of cybersecurity, results transmission, transparency of electoral data, election dispute resolution, and the elimination of discriminatory registration practices and other electoral irregularities:
- (2) the advancement of democracy worldwide promotes United States interests, as stable democracies provide new market opportunities, improve global health outcomes, and promote economic freedom and regional security;
- (3) credible elections are the cornerstone of a healthy democracy and enable all persons to exercise their basic human right to have a say in how they are governed;
- (4) inclusive elections strengthen the credibility and stability of democracies more broadly;
- (5) at the heart of a strong election cycle is the professionalism of the election management body and an empowered civil society;
- (6) the development of local expertise via peer-to-peer learning and exchanges promotes the independence of such bodies from internal and external influence; and
- (7) supporting the efforts of peoples in democratizing societies to build more representative governments in their respective countries is in the national interest of the United States.
- ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary State is authorized to establish and administer a Global Electoral Exchange Program (referred to in this section as the "Program") to promote the utilization of sound election administration practices around the world.
- (d) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Program shall include the promotion and exchange of international best election practices, including in the areas of—
  - (1) cybersecurity:
- (2) the protection of election systems against influence campaigns:
  - (3) results transmission:
  - (4) transparency of electoral data:
  - (5) election dispute resolution;
- (6) the elimination of discriminatory registration practices and electoral irregularities:
- (7) inclusive and equitable promotion of candidate participation;
- (8) equitable access to polling places, voter education information, and voting mechanisms (including by persons with disabilities); and
- (9) other sound election administration practices.
- (e) EXCHANGE OF ELECTORAL AUTHORI-TIES -
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in consultation, as appropriate, with the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, may award grants to any United States-based organization that-
- (A) is described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code;
- (B) has experience in, and a primary focus on, foreign comparative election systems or subject matter expertise in the administration or integrity of such systems; and
- (C) submits an application in such form, and satisfying such requirements, as the Secretary may require.
- (2) Types of grants.—An organization described in paragraph (1) may receive a grant under this subsection to design and implement programs that-
- (A) bring to the United States election administrators and officials, including govern-

- ment officials, poll workers, civil society representatives, members of the judiciary, and others who participate in the organization and administration of public elections in a foreign country that faces challenges to its electoral process to study election procedures in the United States for educational purposes; or
- (B) take election administrators and officials of the United States or of another country, including government officials, poll workers, civil society representatives, members of the judiciary, and others who participate in the organization and administration of public elections to another country to study and discuss election procedures in such country for educational purposes.
- (3) LIMITS ON ACTIVITIES.—Activities administered under the Program may not-
- (A) include observation of an election for the purposes of assessing the validity or legitimacy of that election:
- (B) facilitate any advocacy for a certain electoral result by a grantee when participating in the Program; or
- (C) be carried out without proper consultation with State and local authorities in the United States that administer elections.
- (4) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of State should establish and maintain a network of Global Electoral Exchange Program alumni, to promote communication and further exchange of information regarding sound election administration practices among current and former Program participants.
- (5) LIMITATION.—A recipient of a grant under the Program may only use such grant for the purpose for which such grant was awarded, unless otherwise authorized by the Secretary of State.
- (6) NONDUPLICATIVE.—Grants made under this subsection may not be duplicative of any other grants made under any other provision of law for similar or related purposes.
- (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.-There is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2024 through 2028 to carry out this section.
- (g) CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter for the following 2 years, the Secretary of State shall provide a briefing to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives regarding the status of any activities carried out under this section during the preceding year, including-
- (1) a summary of all exchanges conducted under the Program, including information regarding grantees, participants, and the locations where program activities were held;
- (2) a description of the criteria used to select grantees under the Program; and
- (3) recommendations for the improvement of the Program in furtherance of the purpose specified in subsection (d).
- SA 218. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. CRUZ) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2226, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:
- At the end of subtitle G of title X, add the following:

## SEC. 1083. PROTECTING COVERED INFORMATION IN PUBLIC RECORDS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

- (1) APPLICABLE LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS.—The "applicable legislative
- (A) with respect to a Member of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate and the Secretary of the Senate, acting jointly; and
- (B) with respect to a Member of, or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the House of Representatives, the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives and the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, acting jointly.
- (2) AT-RISK INDIVIDUAL.—The term "at-risk individual" means-
- (A) a Member of Congress;
- (B) any individual who is the spouse, parent, sibling, or child of an individual described in subparagraph (A);
- (C) any individual to whom an individual described in subparagraph (A) stands in loco parentis;
- (D) any other individual living in the household of an individual described in subparagraph (A);
- (E) any employee whose pay is disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate who is identified by the Director of Senate Security as the target of an ongoing threat; or
- (F) any employee whose pay is disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives who is identified by the Director of the Office of House Security as the target of an ongoing threat.
- (3) COVERED INFORMATION.—The term "covered information" means-
- (A) a home address, including a primary residence or secondary residences;
- (B) a home or personal mobile telephone number:
- (C) a personal email address;
- (D) a social security number or driver's license number:
- (E) a bank account or credit or debit card number:
- (F) a license plate number or other unique identifier of a vehicle owned, leased, or regularly used by an at-risk individual:
- (G) the identification of a child, who is under 18 years of age, of an at-risk individual;
- (H) information regarding schedules of school or day care attendance or routes taken to or from the school or day care by an at-risk individual:
- (I) information regarding routes taken to or from an employment location by an atrisk individual; or
- (J) precise geolocation data that is not anonymized and can identify the location of a device of an at-risk individual.
  - (4) Data broker.-
- (A) IN GENERAL.—The term "data broker" means a commercial entity engaged in collecting, assembling, or maintaining personal information concerning an individual who is not a customer, client, or an employee of that entity in order to sell the information or otherwise profit from providing thirdparty access to the information.
- (B) EXCLUSION.—The term "data broker" does not include a commercial entity engaged in the following activities:
- (i) Engaging in reporting, news-gathering, speaking, or other activities intended to inform the public on matters of public interest or public concern.
- (ii) Providing 411 directory assistance or directory information services, including name, address, and telephone number, on behalf of or as a function of a telecommunications carrier.
- (iii) Using personal information internally, providing access to businesses under common ownership or affiliated by corporate control, or selling or providing data for a

transaction or service requested by or concerning the individual whose personal information is being transferred.

- (iv) Providing publicly available information via real-time or near-real-time alert services for health or safety purposes.
- (v) A consumer reporting agency subject to the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.).
- (vi) A financial institution subject to the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (Public Law 106– 102) and regulations implementing that Act.
- (vii) A covered entity for purposes of the privacy regulations promulgated under section 264(c) of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1320d-2 note).
- (viii) The collection and sale or licensing of covered information incidental to conducting the activities described in clauses (i) through (vii).
- (5) GOVERNMENT AGENCY.—The term "Government agency" includes—
- (A) an Executive agency, as defined in section 105 of title 5, United States Code; and
- (B) any agency in the judicial branch or legislative branch.
- (6) IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER.—The term "immediate family member" means an atrisk individual—
- (A) who is the spouse, parent, sibling, or child of another at-risk individual;
- (B) to whom another at-risk individual stands in loco parentis; or
- (C) living in the household of another atrisk individual.
- (7) MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—The term "Member of Congress" means—
- (A) a Member of the Senate; or
- (B) a Member of, or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the House of Representatives.
- (8) TRANSFER.—The term "transfer" means to sell, license, trade, or exchange for consideration the covered information of an at-risk individual.
  - (b) GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Each at-risk individual may—
- (Å) file written notice of the status of the individual as an at-risk individual, for themselves and their immediate family members, with each Government agency that includes information necessary to ensure compliance with this section, as determined by the applicable legislative officers; and
- (B) request that each Government agency described in subparagraph (A) mark as private their covered information and that of their immediate family members.
  - (2) NO PUBLIC POSTING.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Government agencies shall not publicly post or display publicly available content that includes covered information of an at-risk individual.
- (B) DEADLINE.—Upon receipt of a request by an at-risk individual under paragraph (1)(B), a Government agency shall remove the covered information of the at-risk individual, and any immediate family member on whose behalf the at-risk individual submitted the request, from publicly available content not later than 72 hours after such receipt.
- (3) EXCEPTIONS.—Nothing in this section shall prohibit a Government agency from providing access to records containing the covered information of an at-risk individual to a third party if the third party—
- (A) possesses a signed release from the atrisk individual or a court order;
- (B) is subject to the requirements of title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. 6801 et seq.); or
- (C) executes a confidentiality agreement with the Government agency.
- (c) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—

- (1) In GENERAL.—An at-risk individual may directly, or through an agent designated by the at-risk individual, make any notice or request required or authorized by this section on behalf of the at-risk individual. The notice or request shall include information necessary to ensure compliance with this section.
- (2) AUTHORIZATION OF LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS TO MAKE REQUESTS.—
- (A) LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS.—Upon written request of a Member of Congress, the applicable legislative officers are authorized to make any notice or request required or authorized by this section on behalf of the Member of Congress. The notice or request shall include information necessary to ensure compliance with this section, as determined by the applicable legislative officers. Any notice or request made under this paragraph shall be deemed to have been made by the Member of Congress and comply with the notice and request requirements of this section.
- (B) LIST.—In lieu of individual notices or requests, the applicable legislative officers may provide Government agencies, data brokers, persons, businesses, or associations with a list of Members of Congress and their immediate family members that includes information necessary to ensure compliance with this section, as determined by the applicable legislative officers for the purpose of maintaining compliance with this section. Such list shall be deemed to comply with individual notice and request requirements of this section.
- (d) DATA BROKERS AND OTHER BUSINESSES.—
- (1) Prohibitions.—
- (A) DATA BROKERS.—It shall be unlawful for a data broker to knowingly sell, license, trade for consideration, or purchase covered information of an at-risk individual.
- (B) OTHER BUSINESSES.—
- (i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), no person, business, or association shall publicly post or publicly display on the internet covered information of an atrisk individual if the at-risk individual, or an immediate family member on behalf of the at-risk individual, has made a written request to that person, business, or association to not disclose the covered information of the at-risk individual.
- (ii) EXCEPTIONS.—Clause (i) shall not apply to—
- (I) the display on the internet of the covered information of an at-risk individual if the information is relevant to and displayed as part of a news story, commentary, editorial, or other speech on a matter of public concern:
- (II) covered information that the at-risk individual voluntarily publishes on the internet after the date of enactment of this Act; or
- (III) covered information received from a Federal Government source (or from an employee or agent of the Federal Government).
- (2) REQUIRED CONDUCT.—

  (A) IN GENERAL.—After receiving a written
- request under paragraph (1)(B)(i), the person, business, or association shall—
- (i) remove within 72 hours the covered information from the internet and ensure that the information is not made available on any website or subsidiary website controlled by that person, business, or association; and
- (ii) ensure that the covered information of the at-risk individual is not made available on any website or subsidiary website controlled by that person, business, or association
- (B) Transfer.
- (i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), after receiving a written request under paragraph (1)(B)(i), the person, busi-

- ness, or association shall not transfer the covered information of the at-risk individual to any other person, business, or association through any medium.
- (ii) EXCEPTIONS.—Clause (i) shall not apply
- (I) the transfer of the covered information of the at-risk individual if the information is relevant to and displayed as part of a news story, commentary, editorial, or other speech on a matter of public concern;
- (II) covered information that the at-risk individual voluntarily publishes on the internet after the date of enactment of this Act; or
- (III) a transfer made at the request of the at-risk individual or that is necessary to effectuate a request to the person, business, or association from the at-risk individual.
- (e) REDRESS.—An at-risk individual whose covered information is made public as a result of a violation of this section may bring an action seeking injunctive or declaratory relief in any court of competent jurisdiction.
  - (f) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section shall be construed—
  - (A) to prohibit, restrain, or limit-
- (i) the lawful investigation or reporting by the press of any unlawful activity or misconduct alleged to have been committed by an at-risk individual;
- (ii) the reporting on an at-risk individual regarding matters of public concern; or
- (iii) the disclosure of information otherwise required under Federal law;
- (B) to impair access to the actions or statements of a Member of Congress in the course of carrying out the public functions of the Member of Congress;
- (C) to limit the publication or transfer of covered information with the written consent of the at-risk individual; or
- (D) to prohibit information sharing by a data broker to a Federal, State, Tribal, or local government, or any unit thereof.
- (2) PROTECTION OF COVERED INFORMATION.— This section shall be broadly construed to favor the protection of the covered information of at-risk individuals.
- (g) SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this section, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance, is held to be unconstitutional, the remaining provisions of this section, and the application of the provision to any other person or circumstance, shall not be affected.
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- At the end of subtitle F of title X, add the following:
- SEC. 1063. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OF FICE REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS ABSENTEE VOTING ACT AND IMPROVING ACCESS TO VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE FOR ABSENT UNIFORMED SERVICES VOTERS.
- (a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct—
- (1) an analysis of the effectiveness of the Federal Government in carrying out its responsibilities under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.) to promote access to voting for absent uniformed services voters; and