

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4481

To amend the Arms Export Control Act to modify the authorities relating to the Special Defense Acquisition Fund.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 17, 2025

Mr. ADERHOLT (for himself, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Mr. PANETTA, and Mr. ZINKE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Accelerate Revenue
5 for Manufacturing and Sales Act” or the “ARMS Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) The United States defense industrial base
9 plays a critical role in advancing both security and
10 prosperity.

1 (2) There is increasing global demand for
2 United States manufactured defense capabilities,
3 highlighting the need to maintain a strong, agile,
4 and scalable defense production capacity.

5 (3) In recent years, the combined value of For-
6 eign Military Sales (FMS) and Direct Commercial
7 Sales (DCS) has significantly exceeded domestic de-
8 fense procurement budgets, with international de-
9 mand for United States defense products approach-
10 ing two-to-one over domestic acquisition.

11 (4) Delays in delivering defense articles to allied
12 and partner nations expose vulnerabilities in the cur-
13 rent acquisition and sales process that risks under-
14 mining United States strategic credibility abroad.

15 (5) The Special Defense Acquisition Fund
16 (SDAF) has demonstrated effectiveness in reducing
17 delivery times and enabling advanced contracting for
18 high-demand defense items prior to the completion
19 of formal agreements.

20 (6) Strengthening and expanding the SDAF
21 would increase the efficiency and predictability of
22 defense article deliveries to foreign partners, support
23 the United States defense industrial base, and im-
24 prove economies of scale.

1 (7) Timely access to United States defense sys-
2 tems by allies and partners strengthens interoper-
3 ability, improves coalition readiness, deters shared
4 threats, and reinforces long-standing strategic rela-
5 tionships.

6 (8) Enhancing SDAF authorities and capacity
7 aligns with United States national interests and sup-
8 ports continued leadership in the global defense mar-
9 ket.

10 **SEC. 3. MODIFICATIONS TO SPECIAL DEFENSE ACQUISI-**
11 **TION FUND.**

12 Section 51(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act (22
13 U.S.C. 2795(b)(1)) is amended by striking “sales made
14 under” and all that follows through “the actual value” and
15 inserting “sales”.

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