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# H. R. 620

To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to prevent harm and disruption to the United States agriculture industry by protecting against foreign influence over agriculture production and supply chains, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JACKSON of Texas (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. MOYLAN, Mr. ZINKE, Mr. ESTES, Mr. FINSTAD, Mrs. HINSON, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. COSTA, Mr. FALLON, Mr. MESSMER, Mr. ROSE, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. NEWHOUSE, and Mr. CRAWFORD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to prevent harm and disruption to the United States agriculture industry by protecting against foreign influence over agriculture production and supply chains, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Foreign Adversary  
3 Risk Management Act” or the “FARM Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES AGRICULTURE INCLUDED IN COM-**  
5 **MITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE**  
6 **UNITED STATES.**

7 (a) AGRICULTURE REPRESENTATIVE.—Section  
8 721(k)(2) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50  
9 U.S.C. 4565(k)(2)) is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (H), (I),  
11 and (J) as subparagraphs (I), (J), and (K), respec-  
12 tively; and

13 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (G) the fol-  
14 lowing:

15 “(H) The Secretary of Agriculture.”.

16 (b) REVIEW OF AGRICULTURE INVESTMENTS BY  
17 FOREIGN ENTITIES.—Section 721(a)(4) of the Defense  
18 Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(4)) is amend-  
19 ed—

20 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

21 (A) in clause (i), by striking “; and” and  
22 inserting a semicolon;

23 (B) in clause (ii), by striking the period at  
24 the end and inserting “; and”; and

25 (C) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(iii) any transaction described in  
2 subparagraph (B)(vi) that is proposed,  
3 pending, or completed on or after the date  
4 of the enactment of the Foreign Adversary  
5 Risk Management Act.”; and

6 (2) in subparagraph (B), by adding at the end  
7 the following:

8 “(vi) Any transaction, merger, acqui-  
9 sition, transfer, agreement, takeover, or  
10 other arrangement that could result in for-  
11 eign control of any United States business  
12 that is engaged in agriculture and uses ag-  
13 ricultural products (as defined in the first  
14 section of the Act of July 2, 1926 (44  
15 Stat. 802, chapter 725; 7 U.S.C. 451)).”.

16 (c) AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY CHAINS INCLUDED IN  
17 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—Section 721(a)(5) of the  
18 Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(5))  
19 is amended—

20 (1) by striking “‘critical infrastructure’ means”  
21 and inserting the following: “‘critical infrastruc-  
22 ture’—

23 “(i) means”;

24 (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-  
25 ing “; and”; and

1 (3) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(ii) includes, subject to regulations  
3 prescribed by the Committee, agricultural  
4 systems and supply chains.”.

5 (d) AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY CHAINS INCLUDED AS  
6 CRITICAL TECHNOLOGIES.—Section 721(a)(6)(A) of the  
7 Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C.  
8 4565(a)(6)(A)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
9 lowing:

10 “(vii) Agricultural supply chains used  
11 for agricultural products (as defined in the  
12 first section of the Act of July 2, 1926 (44  
13 Stat. 802, chapter 725; 7 U.S.C. 451)).”.

14 **SEC. 3. REPORTS ON INVESTMENTS BY FOREIGN COUN-**  
15 **TRIES IN UNITED STATES AGRICULTURE IN-**  
16 **DUSTRY.**

17 Not later than one year after the date of the enact-  
18 ment of this Act and annually thereafter, the Secretary  
19 of Agriculture and the Comptroller General of the United  
20 States shall each—

21 (1) conduct an analysis of foreign influence in  
22 the United States agriculture industry; and

23 (2) submit to Congress a report that includes a  
24 summary of—

1 (A) foreign investments in the United  
2 States agriculture industry;

3 (B) the potential for foreign investment to  
4 undermine United States agriculture production  
5 and agricultural supply chains;

6 (C) the largest international threats for in-  
7 creased foreign control of, and investment in,  
8 the United States agriculture sector; and

9 (D) agriculture-related espionage and theft  
10 techniques used by foreign governments, includ-  
11 ing any attempts to target United States agri-  
12 cultural intellectual property, innovation, re-  
13 search and development, cost or pricing data, or  
14 internal strategy documents.

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