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H. R. 820

To amend the Bottles and Breastfeeding Equipment Screening Act to require hygienic handling of breast milk and baby formula by security screening personnel of the Transportation Security Administration and personnel of private security companies providing security screening, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 28, 2025

Mr. SWALWELL (for himself, Ms. SALAZAR, Ms. PETERSEN, Mrs. LUNA, Mr. CARSON, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GARBARINO, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. MCCLELLAN, Mr. KENNEDY of New York, Mrs. MCIVER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. THANEDAR, and Ms. TLAIB) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Bottles and
3 Breastfeeding Equipment Screening Enhancement Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. HYGIENIC HANDLING OF BREAST MILK AND BABY**
5 **FORMULA DURING AVIATION SECURITY**
6 **SCREENING.**

7 The Bottles and Breastfeeding Equipment Screening
8 Act (Public Law 114–293) is amended by adding at the
9 end the following new sections:

10 **“SEC. 3. HYGIENIC HANDLING OF BREAST MILK AND BABY**
11 **FORMULA DURING AVIATION SECURITY**
12 **SCREENING.**

13 “Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
14 ment of this section and every five years thereafter, if ap-
15 propriate, the Administrator of the Transportation Secu-
16 rity Administration shall issue or update, as the case may
17 be, guidance to minimize the risk for contamination of any
18 breast milk, baby formula, purified deionized water for in-
19 fants, and juice (as well as ice packs, freezer packs, frozen
20 gel packs and other accessories required to cool breast
21 milk, baby formula, and juice) that is subject to re-screen-
22 ing or otherwise subject to additional screening. Such
23 guidance shall—

24 “(1) be developed in consultation with nation-
25 ally recognized maternal health organizations;

1 “(2) ensure adherence to hygienic standards, as
2 established by the Administrator, in consultation
3 with nationally recognized maternal health organiza-
4 tions;

5 “(3) ensure that, when any such re-screening or
6 additional screening requires additional testing, such
7 testing so adheres to such standards, to so minimize
8 such risk; and

9 “(4) apply to security screening personnel of
10 the Administration and personnel of private security
11 companies providing security screening pursuant to
12 section 44920 of title 49, United States Code.

13 **“SEC. 4. INSPECTOR GENERAL AUDIT.**

14 “Not later than one year after the date of the enact-
15 ment of this section, the Inspector General of the Depart-
16 ment of Homeland Security shall submit to the Committee
17 on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives
18 and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
19 tation of the Senate a report containing an audit of com-
20 pliance with the requirements of sections 2 and 3. Such
21 audit shall also include information relating to the effect
22 of various types of screening technologies, including bot-
23 tled liquid scanners, on the screening of breast milk, baby
24 formula, purified deionized water for infants, and juice (as
25 well as ice packs, freezer packs, frozen gel packs and other

1 accessories required to cool breast milk, baby formula, and
2 juice) that is subject to re-screening or otherwise subject
3 to additional screening, and the rate at which such items
4 are denied entry into the sterile area (as such term is de-
5 fined in section 1540.5 of title 49, Code of Federal Regu-
6 lations).”.

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