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To prohibit the operation on property of the Department of Defense of certain vehicles designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied by persons owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction of a foreign entity of concern, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 10, 2025

Ms. SLOTKIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Protecting Military
5 Bases from Connected Vehicles of Concern Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON OPERATION OF CONNECTED VE-**
2 **HICLES DESIGNED, DEVELOPED, MANUFAC-**
3 **TURED, OR SUPPLIED BY PERSONS OWNED**
4 **BY, CONTROLLED BY, OR SUBJECT TO THE**
5 **JURISDICTION OF A FOREIGN ENTITY OF**
6 **CONCERN ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
7 **PROPERTY.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—After January 1, 2028, no con-
9 nected vehicle on the list required under subsection (b)
10 may be operated on a military installation or on any other
11 property of the Department of Defense.

12 (b) LIST REQUIRED.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1,
14 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall establish and
15 publish on a publicly available website of the Depart-
16 ment of Defense a list of prohibited connected vehi-
17 cles that—

18 (A) are designed, developed, manufactured,
19 or supplied by persons owned by, controlled by,
20 or subject to the jurisdiction of a foreign entity
21 of concern; and

22 (B) pose—

23 (i) an undue risk of sabotage to or
24 subversion of the design, integrity, manu-
25 facturing, production, distribution, installa-
26 tion, operation, or maintenance of informa-

tion and communications technology and services in the United States;

(ii) an undue risk of catastrophic effects on the security or resiliency of critical infrastructure in the United States or the digital economy of the United States; or

(iii) an unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States or the security and safety of United States persons.

(2) INCORPORATION OF EXISTING FEDERAL RULES.—In establishing the list required under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall incorporate existing Federal rules for identifying prohibited connected vehicles.

(3) ANNUAL REVIEW.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall review the list required under paragraph (1) not less frequently than once each year and shall make such additions, subtractions, supplements, or amendments to the list as the Secretary determines appropriate.

(B) EXPLANATION OF SUBTRACTIONS.—Any review under subparagraph (A) that makes subtractions from the list required under para-

graph (1) shall include an explanation of why the subtraction was made.

(4) CONSULTATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall consult with the head of any Federal department or agency that the Secretary determines is appropriate in making the list required under paragraph (1) and conducting any annual review under paragraph (3).

(B) TRANSMITTAL OF LIST.—The Secretary shall transmit a copy of the list required under paragraph (1), and any modification to that list, to the heads of each Federal department or agency determined appropriate under subparagraph (A).

(c) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND BRIEFING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall establish and provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on an implementation plan for carrying out the prohibition under subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—The implementation plan required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an identification of the lead organization within the Department of Defense respon-

1 sible for implementing and overseeing the prohi-
2 bition under subsection (a);

3 (B) a description of the process by which
4 the Department will identify and assess prohib-
5 ited connected vehicles;

6 (C) a description of the means by which
7 the Department will conduct coordination with
8 appropriate Federal departments and agencies;

9 (D) an identification of the metrics by
10 which the Department will assess connected ve-
11 hicles for threats to national security;

12 (E) a description of the means by which
13 military installations will ensure compliance
14 with such prohibition; and

15 (F) an assessment of resource require-
16 ments necessary to implement and maintain
17 such prohibition.

18 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.—
20 The term “congressional defense committees” has
21 the meaning given that term in section 101(a)(16)
22 of title 10, United States Code.

23 (2) CONNECTED VEHICLE.—The term “con-
24 nected vehicle” has the meaning given that term in

1 section 791.301 of title 15, Code of Federal Regula-
2 tions, or successor regulations.

3 (3) FOREIGN ENTITY OF CONCERN.—The term
4 “foreign entity of concern” has the meaning given
5 that term in section 9901 of the William M. (Mac)
6 Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for
7 Fiscal Year 2021 (15 U.S.C. 4651).

8 (4) MILITARY INSTALLATION.—The term “mili-
9 tary installation” has the meaning given that term
10 in section 2801(c) of title 10, United States Code.

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