

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 2685

To redesignate the Department of Defense the Department of War.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mrs. BLACKBURN) 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 “Department of War
5 Restoration Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. REDESIGNATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AS**
7 **DEPARTMENT OF WAR.**

8 (a) DEPARTMENT OF WAR.—The Department of De-
9 fense is hereby redesignated the Department of War.

1 (b) SECRETARY OF WAR.—The head of the Depart-
2 ment of War, as redesignated by subsection (a), is the Sec-
3 retary of War.

4 (c) REFERENCES.—Any reference to the Department
5 of Defense or the Secretary of Defense in any law, rule,
6 regulation, certificate, directive, instruction, or other offi-
7 cial paper in force on the date of enactment of this Act
8 shall be considered to refer and apply to the Department
9 of War and the Secretary of War, respectively.

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