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To establish a working group to provide input on the feasibility of establishing a program to support strategically important capital-intensive infrastructure projects.

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Mr. DONALDS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Strategic Nuclear In-
5 frastructure Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE FUND WORKING**
7 **GROUP.**

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a work-
9 ing group, to be known as the “Strategic Infrastructure

1 Fund Working Group” (referred to in this section as the
2 “working group”) to provide input on the feasibility of es-
3 tablishing a program to support strategically important
4 capital-intensive infrastructure projects.

5 (b) COMPOSITION.—The working group shall be—

6 (1) led by a White House official who shall
7 serve as the White House focal point with respect to
8 matters relating to the working group; and

9 (2) composed of—

10 (A) senior-level Federal officials, selected
11 by the head of the applicable Federal agency or
12 organization, from—

13 (i) the Department of State;
14 (ii) the Department of the Treasury;
15 (iii) the Department of Commerce;
16 (iv) the Department of Energy;
17 (v) the Export-Import Bank of the
18 United States;

19 (vi) the United States International
20 Development Finance Corporation; and

21 (vii) the Nuclear Regulatory Commis-
22 sion;

23 (B) other senior-level Federal officials, se-
24 lected by the head of the applicable Federal
25 agency or organization, from any other Federal

1 agency or organization that the Secretary deter-
2 mines to be appropriate; and

3 (C) any senior-level Federal official se-
4 lected by the White House official described in
5 paragraph (1) from any Federal agency or or-
6 ganization.

7 (c) REPORTING.—The working group shall report to
8 the National Security Council.

9 (d) DUTIES.—The working group shall—

10 (1) provide direction and advice to the appro-
11 priate Federal agencies, as determined by the work-
12 ing group, with respect to the establishment of a
13 Strategic Infrastructure Fund (referred to in this
14 subsection as the “Fund”) to be used—

15 (A) to support those aspects of projects re-
16 lating to—

17 (i) civil nuclear technologies; and

18 (ii) microprocessors; and

19 (B) for strategic investments identified by
20 the working group; and

21 (2) address critical areas in determining the ap-
22 propriate design for the Fund, including—

23 (A) transfer of assets to the Fund;

24 (B) transfer of assets from the Fund;

1 (C) how assets in the Fund should be in-
2 vested; and

3 (D) governance and implementation of the
4 Fund.

5 (e) REPORT REQUIRED.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, the working
8 group shall submit to the committees described in
9 paragraph (2) a report on the findings of the work-
10 ing group that includes suggested legislative text for
11 how to establish and structure a Strategic Infra-
12 structure Fund.

13 (2) COMMITTEES DESCRIBED.—The committees
14 referred to in paragraph (1) are—

15 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations,
16 the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
17 Transportation, the Committee on Armed Serv-
18 ices, the Committee on Energy and Natural Re-
19 sources, the Committee on Environment and
20 Public Works, and the Committee on Finance
21 of the Senate; and

22 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
23 Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Com-
24 mittee on Armed Services, the Committee on
25 Science, Space, and Technology, and the Com-

1 mittee on Ways and Means of the House of
2 Representatives.

3 (3) ADMINISTRATION OF THE FUND.—The re-
4 port submitted under paragraph (1) shall include
5 suggested legislative language requiring all expendi-
6 tures from a Strategic Infrastructure Fund estab-
7 lished in accordance with this section to be adminis-
8 tered by the Secretary of State (or a designee of the
9 Secretary of State).

10 (f) CIVIL NUCLEAR DEFINED.—In this section, the
11 term “civil nuclear” means activities relating to—

- 12 (1) nuclear plant construction;
- 13 (2) nuclear fuel services;
- 14 (3) nuclear energy financing;
- 15 (4) nuclear plant operations;
- 16 (5) nuclear plant regulation;
- 17 (6) nuclear medicine;
- 18 (7) nuclear safety;
- 19 (8) community engagement in areas in reason-
20 able proximity to nuclear sites;
- 21 (9) infrastructure support for nuclear energy;
- 22 (10) nuclear plant decommissioning;
- 23 (11) nuclear liability;
- 24 (12) safe storage and safe disposal of spent nu-
25 clear fuel;

- 1 (13) environmental safeguards;
- 2 (14) nuclear nonproliferation and security; and
- 3 (15) technology related to the matters described
- 4 in paragraphs (1) through (14).

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