

**Calendar No. 290**118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION**S. 2116**

To require the Secretary of Commerce to produce a report that provides recommendations to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of Department of Commerce programs related to supply chain resilience and manufacturing and industrial innovation, and for other purposes.

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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

JUNE 22, 2023

Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

DECEMBER 13, 2023

Reported by Ms. CANTWELL, with an amendment

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**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 “Strengthening Support  
3 for American Manufacturing Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (a) **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.**—The  
7 term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

8 (1) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
9 Transportation of the Senate; and

10 (2) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of  
11 the House of Representatives.

12 (b) **COVERED OFFICES AND BUREAUS.**—The term  
13 “covered offices and bureaus” means offices and bureaus  
14 of the Department of Commerce identified under section  
15 3(a)(1).

16 (c) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means the  
17 Secretary of Commerce.

18 **SEC. 3. STUDY RELATING TO MANUFACTURING PROGRAMS**  
19 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.**

20 (a) **ASSESSMENT.**—Not later than 1 year after the  
21 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall produce  
22 a report that—

23 (1) identifies offices and bureaus of the Depart-  
24 ment of Commerce that are relevant to—

25 (A) critical supply chain resilience; and

1           ~~(B)~~ manufacturing and industrial innova-  
2           tion;

3           ~~(2)~~ identifies the duties, responsibilities, re-  
4           sources, programs, and expertise relevant to critical  
5           supply chain resilience and manufacturing and in-  
6           dustrial innovation of each covered office and bu-  
7           reau;

8           ~~(3)~~ identifies and assesses the purpose, statu-  
9           tory authority, effectiveness, efficiency, and limita-  
10          tions of each covered office and bureau; and

11          ~~(4)~~ provides recommendations to improve the  
12          effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of each covered  
13          office and bureau, including recommendations to—

14                 ~~(A)~~ optimize operations within or across  
15                 covered offices and bureaus;

16                 ~~(B)~~ address any resource or staffing defi-  
17                 cits hindering optimal operations within a cov-  
18                 ered office or bureau;

19                 ~~(C)~~ improve coordination across covered of-  
20                 fices and bureaus; and

21                 ~~(D)~~ improve coordination with Federal  
22                 agencies implementing similar activities related  
23                 to critical supply chain resilience and manufac-  
24                 turing and industrial innovation.

1           (b) NATIONAL ACADEMY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRA-  
 2 TION.—The Secretary shall contract with the National  
 3 Academy of Public Administration in producing the report  
 4 under subsection (a).

5           (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
 6 on which the Secretary produces the report under sub-  
 7 section (a), the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate  
 8 committees of Congress—

9                   (1) the report produced under subsection (a);

10                   (2) recommendations for potential legislative ac-  
 11 tion addressing recommendations in the report pro-  
 12 duced under subsection (a); and

13                   (3) a response from the Secretary to the rec-  
 14 ommendations included in the report published  
 15 under subsection (a).

16 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

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 18 *for American Manufacturing Act”.*

19 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

20           *In this Act:*

21                   (1) *APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.*—

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 23 *means—*

24                           (A) *the Committee on Commerce, Science,*  
 25 *and Transportation of the Senate; and*

1           (B) *the Committee on Energy and Com-*  
2           *merce of the House of Representatives.*

3           (2) *COVERED OFFICES AND BUREAUS.*—*The term*  
4           *“covered offices and bureaus” means offices and bu-*  
5           *reaus of the Department of Commerce identified*  
6           *under section 3(a)(1).*

7           (3) *CRITICAL SUPPLY CHAIN.*—*The term “crit-*  
8           *ical supply chain” means an end-to-end system that*  
9           *converts raw materials into finished products in crit-*  
10          *ical sectors, including in—*

11                   (A) *the defense industrial base;*

12                   (B) *the public health and biological pre-*  
13                   *paredness industrial base;*

14                   (C) *the information and communications*  
15                   *technology industrial base;*

16                   (D) *the energy sector industrial base;*

17                   (E) *the transportation industrial base; and*

18                   (F) *agricultural supply chains.*

19           (4) *CRITICAL SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCE.*—*The*  
20           *term “critical supply chain resilience” means miti-*  
21           *gating gaps and vulnerabilities in critical supply*  
22           *chains, including by—*

23                   (A) *reducing risk of malicious sabotage or*  
24                   *external or internal manipulation; and*

1           (B) *improving the ability to withstand sup-*  
 2           *ply chain interruptions such as logistical chal-*  
 3           *lenges and workforce, materials, equipment, or*  
 4           *product shortages.*

5           (5) *MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL INNOVA-*  
 6           *TION.—The term “manufacturing and industrial in-*  
 7           *novation” means—*

8                   (A) *providing assistance, resources, or serv-*  
 9                   *ices to manufacturers or manufacturing workers*  
 10                   *in the United States;*

11                   (B) *offering expertise, improvements, re-*  
 12                   *search, and development or other assistance in*  
 13                   *technological innovations or advanced manufac-*  
 14                   *turing in partnership with or for use by manu-*  
 15                   *facturers in the United States; or*

16                   (C) *developing policy that substantially im-*  
 17                   *pacts the manufacturing sector in the United*  
 18                   *States.*

19           (6) *SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means*  
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 22 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.**

23           (a) *ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 1 year after the date*  
 24           *of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall produce a re-*  
 25           *port that—*

1           (1) *identifies offices and bureaus of the Depart-*  
2           *ment of Commerce with responsibilities related to—*

3                   (A) *critical supply chain resilience; and*

4                   (B) *manufacturing and industrial innova-*  
5           *tion;*

6           (2) *identifies the duties, responsibilities, pro-*  
7           *grams, and expertise relevant to critical supply chain*  
8           *resilience and manufacturing and industrial innova-*  
9           *tion of each covered office and bureau;*

10          (3) *identifies and assesses the purpose, statutory*  
11          *authority, effectiveness, efficiency, and limitations of*  
12          *each covered office and bureau;*

13          (4) *identifies gaps between offices with duplica-*  
14          *tive duties responsibilities, programs, and expertise*  
15          *within the Department of Commerce that are imple-*  
16          *menting activities related to critical supply chain re-*  
17          *silience and manufacturing and industrial innova-*  
18          *tion; and*

19          (5) *provides recommendations to improve the ef-*  
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22                   (A) *optimize operations within or across*  
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