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# H. R. 6277

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. SLAUGHTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Keep America Secure  
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST PURCHASING EQUIPMENT**  
2 **OR MILITARY AIRCRAFT CONTAINING ELEC-**  
3 **TRONIC COMPONENTS NOT MANUFACTURED**  
4 **IN THE UNITED STATES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense and the  
6 Secretary of Homeland Security may not purchase any  
7 equipment or military aircraft that contains electronic  
8 components that are not manufactured in the United  
9 States.

10 (b) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary concerned may  
11 waive the application of subsection (a) with respect to a  
12 purchase if the Secretary determines that application of  
13 such subsection to such purchase would be inconsistent  
14 with the public interest or would result in unreasonable  
15 costs to the Department of Defense or the Department  
16 of Homeland Security, as the case may be.

17 (c) REQUIREMENT FOR CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM  
18 FOR ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.—The Secretary of De-  
19 fense and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall jointly  
20 establish a classification system for electronic components.  
21 Under the system, electronic components shall be ranked  
22 based on how sensitive the components, and the final prod-  
23 ucts containing the components, are to national security.

24 (d) STUDY AND REPORT ON COUNTERFEIT ELEC-  
25 TRONIC COMPONENTS.—

1           (1) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of De-  
2           fense and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall  
3           jointly conduct a study on the prevalence of counter-  
4           feit electronic components in the supply chains of  
5           the Department of Defense and the Department of  
6           Homeland Security and options for addressing the  
7           issue.

8           (2) REPORT.—Not later than 12 months after  
9           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secre-  
10          taries shall submit to Congress a report on the re-  
11          sults of the study required by paragraph (1), includ-  
12          ing findings and such recommendations as the Sec-  
13          retaries consider appropriate.

14          (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

15           (1) ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.—The term  
16           “electronic components” includes—

17                   (A) any integrated chip or sensing device;

18                   (B) communications systems and equip-  
19                   ment;

20                   (C) search, navigation, and guidance sys-  
21                   tems and equipment; and

22                   (D) software associated with the items de-  
23                   scribed in subparagraphs (A) through (C).

24           (2) SENSITIVE ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.—  
25           The term “sensitive electronic components” means

1 electronic components ranked the most sensitive to  
2 national security under the classification system es-  
3 tablished under subsection (c).

4 **SEC. 3. FAA REGULATIONS FOR USE OF CERTAIN ELEC-**  
5 **TRONIC COMPONENTS MANUFACTURED IN**  
6 **THE UNITED STATES.**

7 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment  
8 of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Ad-  
9 ministration shall issue regulations that require any pas-  
10 senger aircraft constructed after such date and any re-  
11 placement of electronic components on a passenger air-  
12 craft use electronic components (as defined in section  
13 2(e)) manufactured in the United States.

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