

118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 7089

To authorize the Diplomatic Security Services of the Department of State to investigate allegations of violations of conduct constituting offenses under chapter 77 of title 18, United States Code, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 25, 2024

Mr. JAMES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Global Anti-Human
5 Trafficking Enhancement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANDING PROTECTION AND PROSECUTION EF-**
2 **FORTS AT THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT**
3 **OF STATE.**

4 (a) INVESTIGATION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of
5 State is authorized to investigate transnational violations
6 of chapter 77 of title 18, United States Code, in which
7 part of the offense conduct occurred outside the United
8 States or involved 1 or more foreign nationals.

9 (b) AUTHORITIES.—Section 37(a) of the State De-
10 partment Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C.
11 2709(a)) is amended—

12 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “; or” and
13 inserting a semicolon;

14 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as sub-
15 paragraph (D); and

16 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the fol-
17 lowing new subparagraph:

18 “(C) transnational violations of chapter 77
19 of title 18, United States Code, in which any
20 part of the offense conduct occurred outside the
21 United States or involved one or more foreign
22 nationals; or”.

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