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# H. R. 8230

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. MELJER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. CAWTHORN, and Mr. BENTZ) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and Armed Services, 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 TITLES.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Border’s Unused Idle  
5 and Lying Dormant Inventory Transfer Act” or the  
6 “BUILD IT Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TRANSFER OF UNUSED BORDER FENCE MATERIAL**  
2 **TO BORDER STATES.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
4 sion of law, not later than 90 days after the date of the  
5 enactment of this Act, the Federal Government shall de-  
6 liver to the Governments of Arizona, California, New Mex-  
7 ico, and Texas, upon request, any materials associated  
8 with the construction of the barrier along international  
9 border between the United States and Mexico that—

10 (1) are in the possession of the Department of  
11 Homeland Security, the Department of Defense, or  
12 any other Federal agency; or

13 (2) have been purchased by the Federal Gov-  
14 ernment, but remain in the possession of any con-  
15 tractor or vendor.

16 (b) **PROHIBITION OF FEES AND DELIVERY**  
17 **CHARGES.**—The Federal Government may not charge any  
18 fee or other delivery charge to any of the States referred  
19 to in subsection (a) for the delivery of the materials de-  
20 scribed in subsection (a).

21 (c) **USE OF MATERIALS.**—Any State receiving mate-  
22 rials pursuant to subsection (a) shall use such materials  
23 for the purpose of barrier construction along the inter-  
24 national border between the United States and Mexico.

25 (d) **TERMINATION OF EXISTING CONTRACTS.**—The  
26 Federal Government shall terminate, at the convenience

1 of the Government, any contract relating to the mainte-  
2 nance and security of the materials intended for the con-  
3 struction referred to in subsection (a) that—

4           (1) is in effect on the date of the enactment of  
5           this Act; and

6           (2) must be terminated in order to comply with  
7           subsection (a).

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