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H. R. 4233

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

AN ACT

To modify provisions relating to defense trade and cooperation among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

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 “AUKUS Reform for
3 Military Optimization and Review Act” or the “ARMOR
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

6 It is the sense of Congress that the President should
7 work with the governments of the United Kingdom and
8 Australia to formulate policy that would address matters
9 of extraterritoriality, which may present inefficiencies in
10 defense repair, maintenance, and sustainment among Aus-
11 tralia, the United Kingdom, and the United States for de-
12 fense articles and services not on the excluded technology
13 list.

14 **SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO DE-**
15 **FENSE TRADE AND COOPERATION AMONG**
16 **AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM, AND THE**
17 **UNITED STATES.**

18 (a) EXPANSION OF EXPEDITED REVIEW OF EXPORT
19 LICENSES.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1344(c) of the Na-
21 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
22 2024 (22 U.S.C. 10423(c)) is amended—

23 (A) by striking “classified and unclassified
24 items, and the process” and inserting “classi-
25 fied and unclassified items, and apply to all ex-
26 ports and transfers (including reexports, re-

1 transfers, temporary imports, and brokering ac-
2 tivities), wholly within or between the geographic
3 territory of Australia, Canada, the United
4 Kingdom, or the United States, and the proc-
5 ess”; and

6 (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “Any li-
7 censing application to export defense articles
8 and services” and inserting “Any licensing ap-
9 plication to transfer, export, reexport, re-
10 transfer, temporarily import, or broker defense
11 articles and services wholly within or between
12 the geographic territory of Australia, Canada,
13 the United Kingdom, or the United States”.

14 (2) REPORT.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180
16 days after the date of the enactment of this
17 Act, and annually thereafter for 15 years, the
18 President shall submit to the Chairpersons and
19 Ranking Members of the appropriate congres-
20 sional committees, the Speaker of the House of
21 Representatives, and the Majority Leader of the
22 Senate a report with respect to the use of the
23 expedited review process established by section
24 1344 of the National Defense Authorization Act

1 for Fiscal Year 2024 (22 U.S.C. 10423), that
2 includes the following:

3 (i) An update on the progress made
4 toward implementing such expedited review
5 process.

6 (ii) The number of licenses issued.

7 (iii) A list of each principal applicant
8 issued a license.

9 (iv) A list of defense articles and serv-
10 ices for which a license was issued.

11 (B) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COM-
12 MITTEES DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the
13 term “appropriate congressional committees”
14 means the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
15 House of Representatives and the Committee
16 on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

17 (b) CLARIFICATION OF CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICA-
18 TION REQUIREMENT.—Section 38(l)(2) of the Arms Ex-
19 port Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(l)(2)) is amended by
20 striking “the United States, the United Kingdom, and
21 Australia.” and inserting “the United States, the United
22 Kingdom, and Australia. The congressional notification
23 requirements of subsections (c) and (d) of section 36 shall
24 not apply with respect to the export or transfer of defense

1 articles or defense services subject to the exemption de-
2 scribed in this paragraph.”

3 (c) REQUIREMENT TO REVIEW EXCLUDED TECH-
4 NOLOGIES LIST.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in
6 consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall re-
7 view, annually for the covered period, and every 3
8 years thereafter, Supplement No. 2 to part 126 of
9 the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (parts
10 120–130 of title 22, Code of Federal Regula-
11 tions)(commonly known at the “Excluded Tech-
12 nologies List”) to ensure inclusion of only those
13 items required by statute, or otherwise determined
14 by such Secretaries, to require continued licensing
15 review for national security reasons.

16 (2) COVERED PERIOD DEFINED.—In this sub-
17 section, the term “covered period” means the 5-year
18 period beginning 180 days after the date of the en-
19 actment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives September 2,
2025.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.