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# H. R. 4906

To amend the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act to require the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to advance the principles of openness, transparency, due process, appeals, and consensus in the development of international standards, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 2025

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida (for himself and Mr. SELF) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

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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 “Utilize Standards for  
5 All Act” or the “USA Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS DE-**  
2 **VELOPMENT.**

3 Section 10245 of the Research and Development,  
4 Competition, and Innovation Act (Public Law 117–167;  
5 42 U.S.C. 18951) is amended by amending subsection (a)  
6 to read as follows:

7 “(a) IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS  
8 DEVELOPMENT.—The Director shall carry out the fol-  
9 lowing:

10 “(1) Advance the principles of openness, trans-  
11 parency, due process, appeals, and consensus in the  
12 development of international standards.

13 “(2) Shall promote voluntary consensus stand-  
14 ards, developed through a private sector-led process  
15 (domestically and internationally) in accordance with  
16 the National Institute of Standards and Technology  
17 Act (15 U.S.C. 271 et seq.), as in effect on the day  
18 before the date of the enactment of this subsection,  
19 which are the cornerstone of the United States  
20 standardization system and serve as the basis for a  
21 sound national economy and the key to global mar-  
22 ket access.

23 “(3) Strengthen the unique United States pub-  
24 lic-private partnerships approach to advance United  
25 States interests in standards development, as such is  
26 critical to United States economic competitiveness.

1           “(4) In coordination with the heads of relevant  
2           Federal agencies, ensure cooperation and coordina-  
3           tion across Federal agencies to partner with and  
4           support private sector stakeholders regarding stand-  
5           ards development for emerging technologies.”.

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