

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5894

To amend the Atomic Energy Defense Act to prohibit explosive testing of nuclear weapons conducted by the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 2025

Ms. TITUS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Renewing Efforts to
5 Suspend Testing and Reinforce Arms-control Initiatives
6 Now Act” or the “RESTRAIN Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON EXPLOSIVE TESTING OF NUCLEAR**
2 **WEAPONS CONDUCTED BY THE UNITED**
3 **STATES.**

4 Section 4210 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (di-
5 vision D of the Bob Stump National Defense Authoriza-
6 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–314; 50
7 U.S.C. 2530)) is amended—

8 (1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the
9 following:

10 “(a) PROHIBITION ON TESTING.—No explosive test-
11 ing of a nuclear weapon, or any other nuclear explosion,
12 may be conducted by the United States.”; and

13 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
14 sections:

15 “(c) LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—
16 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by an
17 Act authorizing funds for fiscal year 2026 or otherwise
18 made available for any fiscal year may be used—

19 “(1) to conduct explosive testing of a nuclear
20 weapon; or

21 “(2) for any other nuclear explosion.

22 “(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section
24 may be constructed to limit the authority of the
25 United States to conduct a subcritical nuclear test.

1 “(2) SUBCRITICAL NUCLEAR TEST DEFINED.—
2 In this subsection, the term ‘subcritical nuclear test’
3 means a nuclear test of fissile materials that are not
4 capable of sustaining an explosive nuclear chain re-
5 action.”.

