

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2466

To amend title 18, United States Code to provide for strengthened protections against theft of trade secrets, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 20, 2013

Ms. LOFGREN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Private Right of Action
5 Against Theft of Trade Secrets Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. STRENGTHENING PROTOOECOOTION AGAINST**
7 **THEFT OF TRADE SECRETS.**

8 Section 1832 of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended by inserting after subsection (b) the following:

1 “(c) Any person who suffers injury by reason of a
2 violation of this section may maintain a civil action against
3 the violator to obtain appropriate compensatory damages
4 and injunctive relief or other equitable relief. No action
5 may be brought under this subsection unless such action
6 is begun within 2 years of the date of the act complained
7 of or the date of the discovery of the damage.

8 “(d) For purposes of this section, the term ‘without
9 authorization’ shall not mean independent derivation or
10 working backwards from a lawfully obtained known prod-
11 uct or service to divine the process which aided its develop-
12 ment or manufacture.”.

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