119TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H.R.4405

## AN ACT

To require the Attorney General to release all documents and records in possession of the Department of Justice relating to Jeffrey Epstein, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- ${\it 2\ tives\ of\ the\ United\ States\ of\ America\ in\ Congress\ assembled},$

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2	This Act	may be	cited	as	the	"Epstein	Files	Trans-
3	parency Act".							

### SEC. 2. RELEASE OF DOCUMENTS RELATING TO JEFFREY

- 5 EPSTEIN.
- 6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
- 7 date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall,
- 8 subject to subsection (b), make publicly available in a
- 9 searchable and downloadable format all unclassified
- 10 records, documents, communications, and investigative
- 11 materials in the possession of the Department of Justice,
- 12 including the Federal Bureau of Investigation and United
- 13 States Attorneys' Offices, that relate to:
- 14 (1) Jeffrey Epstein including all investigations,
- prosecutions, or custodial matters.
- 16 (2) Ghislaine Maxwell.
- 17 (3) Flight logs or travel records, including but
- 18 not limited to manifests, itineraries, pilot records,
- and customs or immigration documentation, for any
- aircraft, vessel, or vehicle owned, operated, or used
- 21 by Jeffrey Epstein or any related entity.
- 22 (4) Individuals, including government officials,
- named or referenced in connection with Epstein's
- 24 criminal activities, civil settlements, immunity or
- 25 plea agreements, or investigatory proceedings.

- 1 (5) Entities (corporate, nonprofit, academic, or 2 governmental) with known or alleged ties to 3 Epstein's trafficking or financial networks.
  - (6) Any immunity deals, non-prosecution agreements, plea bargains, or sealed settlements involving Epstein or his associates.
  - (7) Internal DOJ communications, including emails, memos, meeting notes, concerning decisions to charge, not charge, investigate, or decline to investigate Epstein or his associates.
  - (8) All communications, memoranda, directives, logs, or metadata concerning the destruction, deletion, alteration, misplacement, or concealment of documents, recordings, or electronic data related to Epstein, his associates, his detention and death, or any investigative files.
  - (9) Documentation of Epstein's detention or death, including incident reports, witness interviews, medical examiner files, autopsy reports, and written records detailing the circumstances and cause of death.
- 22 (b) Prohibited Grounds for Withholding.—
  - (1) No record shall be withheld, delayed, or redacted on the basis of embarrassment, reputational

1	harm, or political sensitivity, including to any gov-
2	ernment official, public figure, or foreign dignitary
3	(c) Permitted Withholdings.—
4	(1) The Attorney general may withhold or re-
5	dact the segregable portions of records that—
6	(A) contain personally identifiable informa-
7	tion of victims or victims' personal and medical
8	files and similar files the disclosure of which
9	would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion
10	of personal privacy;
11	(B) depict or contain child sexual abuse
12	materials (CSAM) as defined under 18 U.S.C.
13	2256 and prohibited under 18 U.S.C. 2252-
14	2252A;
15	(C) would jeopardize an active federal in-
16	vestigation or ongoing prosecution, provided
17	that such withholding is narrowly tailored and
18	temporary;
19	(D) depict or contain images of death,
20	physical abuse, or injury of any person; or
21	(E) contain information specifically author-
22	ized under criteria established by an Executive
23	order to be kept secret in the interest of na-
24	tional defense or foreign policy and are in fact

- properly classified pursuant to such Executive order.
  - (2) All redactions must be accompanied by a written justification published in the Federal Register and submitted to Congress.
  - (3) To the extent that any covered information would otherwise be redacted or withheld as classified information under this section, the Attorney General shall declassify that classified information to the maximum extent possible.
    - (A) If the Attorney General makes a determination that covered information may not be declassified and made available in a manner that protects the national security of the United States, including methods or sources related to national security, the Attorney General shall release an unclassified summary for each of the redacted or withheld classified information.
  - (4) All decisions to classify any covered information after July 1, 2025 shall be published in the Federal Register and submitted to Congress, including the date of classification, the identity of the classifying authority, and an unclassified summary of the justification.

### 1 SEC. 3. REPORT TO CONGRESS.

- 2 Within 15 days of completion of the release required
- 3 under Section 2, the Attorney General shall submit to the
- 4 House and Senate Committees on the Judiciary a report
- 5 listing:
- 6 (1) All categories of records released and with-
- 7 held.
- 8 (2) A summary of redactions made, including
- 9 legal basis.
- 10 (3) A list of all government officials and politi-
- cally exposed persons named or referenced in the re-
- leased materials, with no redactions permitted under
- subsection (b)(1).

Passed the House of Representatives November 18, 2025.

Attest:

Clerk.

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