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H. R. 8053

To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to modify the requirements of the Defense Production Act Committee, establish a Subcommittee on Emerging Technology, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LYNCH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial 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 “DPA Emerging Tech-
5 nology Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATIONS TO THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION**
2 **ACT COMMITTEE.**

3 Section 722 of the Defense Production Act of 1950
4 (50 U.S.C. 4567) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as
6 subsections (g) and (h), respectively; and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
8 lowing new subsections:

9 “(d) MEETINGS.—The Committee shall meet at least
10 twice per year, and at other such times as determined nec-
11 essary by the Chairperson of the Committee.

12 “(e) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH SUBCOMMITTEES.—
13 The Chairperson of the Committee may establish and con-
14 vene such additional subcommittees of the Committee as
15 the Chairperson determines appropriate to improve coordi-
16 nation among member agencies of the Committee regard-
17 ing particular activities authorized under this Act.

18 “(f) EMERGING TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE.—

19 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established
20 within the Committee a Subcommittee on Emerging
21 Technology.

22 “(2) ACTIVITIES.—The Subcommittee on
23 Emerging Technology shall analyze—

24 “(A) the effects, including potential bene-
25 fits, of covered technology on activities deter-

1 mined essential to meet national defense re-
2 quirements; and

3 “(B) how covered technology can be used
4 within a single industry or Federal agency, or
5 across industries and Federal agencies, to im-
6 prove efficiencies, encourage innovation, and
7 address supply chain gaps.

8 “(3) COVERED TECHNOLOGY.—For purposes of
9 this paragraph, the Subcommittee shall establish a
10 definition for the term ‘covered technology’ and, in
11 establishing such definition, shall consider including
12 technologies in the fields of—

13 “(A) artificial intelligence and robotics;

14 “(B) biotechnology;

15 “(C) cryptography and quantum com-
16 puting;

17 “(D) materials science;

18 “(E) semiconductors; and

19 “(F) space.”.

20 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON POTENTIAL STRATEGIC RESERVE OF**
21 **BIOLOGICAL INPUTS.**

22 Not later than 18 months after the date of the enact-
23 ment of this Act, the Subcommittee on Emerging Tech-
24 nology of the Defense Production Act Committee (estab-
25 lished under section 722 of the Defense Production Act

1 of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4567), as amended by this Act) shall
2 submit to Congress an evaluation of the potential benefits
3 and drawbacks, and any resources required, in estab-
4 lishing a strategic reserve of critical biomanufacturing es-
5 sential to meet national defense requirements under the
6 Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.).

7 **SEC. 4. SHORT TITLE CORRECTION.**

8 The first undesignated section of the the Defense
9 Production Act of 1950 is amended, effective on the date
10 of enactment of such Act, by striking “cited as ‘the De-
11 fense” and inserting “cited as the ‘Defense”.

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