

119TH CONGRESS
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S. 5380

To provide for a ten-year statute of limitations for export control violations under the Export Control Reform Act of 2018.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 7, 2026

Mr. HUSTED (for himself and Mr. WARNER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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. TEN-YEAR STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR EX-**
4 **PORT CONTROL VIOLATIONS.**

5 Section 1760 of the Export Control Reform Act of
6 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4819) is amended by adding at the end
7 the following:

8 “(g) STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.—

9 “(1) TIME FOR COMMENCING PROCEEDINGS.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—An action, suit, or
2 proceeding for the enforcement of any civil fine,
3 penalty, or forfeiture, pecuniary or otherwise,
4 under this section shall not be entertained if
5 commenced later than 10 years after the date
6 of the violation upon which the civil fine, pen-
7 alty, or forfeiture is based.

8 “(B) COMMENCEMENT.—For purposes of
9 this paragraph, the commencement of an ac-
10 tion, suit, or proceeding includes the issuance of
11 a charging letter.

12 “(2) TIME FOR INDICTMENT.—No person shall
13 be prosecuted, tried, or punished for any offense
14 under subsection (a) unless the indictment is found
15 or the information is instituted within 10 years after
16 the latest date of the violation upon which the in-
17 dictment or information is based.”.

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