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H. R. 4257

To prohibit the use of Federal funds to give or withhold a preference to a marketer or vendor of firearms or ammunition based on whether the manufacturer or vendor is a party to a covered agreement, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOSTETTLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Law Enforcement
5 Quality Procurement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 The Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Law enforcement agencies should acquire
4 firearms and ammunition that are best for the in-
5 tended law enforcement applications.

6 (2) To impose on law enforcement agencies a
7 procurement process that results in acquisition of
8 firearms or ammunition that are not best for the in-
9 tended law enforcement applications would be inap-
10 propriate and dangerous to law enforcement per-
11 sonnel.

12 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION AGAINST USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO**
13 **GIVE OR WITHHOLD A PREFERENCE TO A**
14 **MARKETER OR VENDOR OF FIREARMS OR**
15 **AMMUNITION.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—No Federal funds may be—

17 (1) used to give or withhold a preference to a
18 marketer or vendor of firearms or ammunition based
19 on whether the manufacturer or vendor is a party to
20 a covered agreement; or

21 (2) provided to a State or local entity that—

22 (A) gives or withholds such a preference;

23 or

24 (B) receives firearms or ammunition pur-
25 chased for that State or local entity subject to
26 such a preference.

1 (b) COVERED AGREEMENT DEFINED.—For purposes
2 of this section, the term “covered agreement” means any
3 agreement requiring a person engaged in a business li-
4 censed under chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code,
5 to abide by a designated code of conduct, operating prac-
6 tice, or product design respecting importing, manufac-
7 turing, or dealing in firearms or ammunition.

8 (c) NOTICE.—To the greatest extent practicable, any
9 Federal entity providing financial assistance for law en-
10 forcement to a State or local entity shall give notice to
11 the State or local entity describing this Act.

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