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S. 2335

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Bayh 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Smart and Secure For-
- 5 eign Investment Act".

1 SEC. 2. DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.

- 2 Section 102A(a) of the National Security Act of 1947
- 3 (50 U.S.C 403–1(a)) is amended by adding at the end
- 4 the following:
- 5 "(3) The Director of National Intelligence shall—
- 6 "(A) assist the President in conducting inves-
- 7 tigations under section 721(b) of the Defense Pro-
- 8 duction Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2170(b);
- 9 "(B) serve as a member of the Committee on
- 10 Foreign Investment in the United States (or any
- 11 successor committee); and
- "(C) certify to the President and the Com-
- mittee that there are no national security implica-
- tions in connection with a proposed merger, acquisi-
- tion, or takeover described in section 721(b) of the
- Defense Production Act of 1950 before the proposed
- merger, acquisition, or takeover is reviewed by the
- 18 Committee.".

19 SEC. 3. DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT.

- 20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 721 of the Defense Pro-
- 21 duction Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2170) is amended—
- 22 (1) by redesignating subsections (g) through (k)
- as subsections (i) and (m), respectively; and
- 24 (2) by inserting after subsection (f) the fol-
- 25 lowing:
- 26 "(g) Notification and Investigation.—

1	"(1) Notification.—
2	"(A) In general.—Any entity described
3	in subparagraph (B) shall notify the President
4	at least 60 days before a proposed merger, ac-
5	quisition, or takeover described in subparagraph
6	(B)(ii).
7	"(B) Entity described.—An entity de-
8	scribed in this subparagraph is an entity that—
9	"(i) is controlled by, or acting on be-
10	half of, a foreign government; and
11	"(ii) seeks to engage in a merger, ac-
12	quisition, or takeover of a United States
13	entity or any other entity that has energy
14	assets valued at \$1,000,000,000 or more
15	or that operates a critical infrastructure, if
16	that merger, acquisition, or takeover could
17	result in control of a person engaged in
18	interstate commerce in the United States
19	that could affect the national security of
20	the United States.
21	"(2) Investigation.—A mandatory investiga-
22	tion under subsection (b) shall be required in the
23	case of a merger, acquisition, or takeover described
24	in paragraph (1)(B)(ii) by an entity described in
25	paragraph (1)(B).

1	"(h) President's Designee Defined.—In this
2	section, the term 'President's designee' means the Sec-
3	retary of Commerce, the Secretary of Defense, the Sec-
4	retary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of State, the
5	Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Di-
6	rector of National Intelligence, and appropriate employees
7	of the Executive Office of the President.".
8	(b) Notification.—Section 721(i) of the Defense
9	Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S. C. App. 2170(i)), as re-
10	designated by subsection (a)(1), is amended—
11	(1) by striking "The President" and inserting
12	the following: "(1) Report on action.—The Presi-
13	dent"; and
14	(2) by adding at the end the following:
15	"(2) Report on notification.—The Presi-
16	dent shall immediately transmit to the Secretary of
17	the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Represent-
18	atives and to appropriate State officials written noti-
19	fication as soon as the President receives a notifica-
20	tion under subsection (b) or (g).
21	"(3) Public Hearings.—The President shall
22	hold public hearings on any proposed merger, acqui-
23	sition, or takeover described in subsection (b) or
24	(g)(1).".

1	(c) Factors To Be Considered.—Section 721(f)
2	of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App.
3	2170(f)) is amended—
4	(1) by striking "and" at end of paragraph (4);
5	(2) by striking the period at the end of para-
6	graph (5) and inserting ";"; and
7	(3) by adding at the end the following:
8	"(6) the robust and expanding defense capabili-
9	ties of the country in which the acquiring entity is
10	located; and
11	"(7) the nature of the bilateral relationship of
12	the United states with the country in which the ac-
13	quiring entity is located.".

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