

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4528

To require a report and briefing to Congress explaining the procurement and inspection process for armored vehicles to transport civilian employees of the Department of Defense.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LIPINSKI introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Armed 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REPORT AND BRIEFING TO CONGRESS EX-**
2 **PLAINING THE PROCUREMENT AND INSPEC-**
3 **TION PROCESS FOR ARMORED VEHICLES TO**
4 **TRANSPORT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE**
5 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

6 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
7 gress that—

8 (1) civilian employees of the Department of De-
9 fense should be provided all reasonable protection
10 while in hostile foreign areas, and that protection
11 should include adequate armored vehicle transpor-
12 tation; and

13 (2) to ensure adequate protection, the Depart-
14 ment of Defense should employ stringent, uniform
15 standards while procuring armored vehicles for civil-
16 ians to be used overseas as well as stringent stand-
17 ards for inspection upon delivery.

18 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 120 days
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary,
20 in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for
21 Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, shall submit to the
22 congressional defense committees a report on the Depart-
23 ment's policies for procuring and inspecting armored vehi-
24 cles for transporting civilian employees. Such report
25 should include the following:

1 (1) An explanation of what the Department's
2 current policies are for procuring and inspecting ar-
3 mored vehicles for transporting civilians through
4 hostile or potentially hostile territory.

5 (2) A comparison of the policies outlined in
6 paragraph (1) with other departments, and specifi-
7 cally the Department of State.

8 (3) An evaluation by the Secretary to determine
9 whether changes to the policies outlined in para-
10 graph (1) would be beneficial in enhancing safety for
11 the civilians described in paragraph (1).

12 (4) Any other matters the Secretary determines
13 appropriate.

14 (c) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 120 days
15 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary,
16 in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense of
17 Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, shall provide to
18 the congressional defense committees a detailed briefing
19 on the report required in subsection (b).

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