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To require the President to develop a comprehensive national manufacturing strategy, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HARKIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Rebuild American
5 Manufacturing Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL MANUFACTURING STRATEGY.**

7 (a) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the

1 President shall develop a comprehensive national
2 manufacturing strategy.

3 (2) BIENNIAL REVISIONS.—Not less frequently
4 than once every 2 years after the date on which the
5 President completes the strategy required by para-
6 graph (1), the President shall revise such strategy.

7 (b) GOALS OF STRATEGY.—The President shall in-
8 clude in the national manufacturing strategy required by
9 subsection (a) short- and long-term goals for United
10 States manufacturing, including goals—

11 (1) to increase the aggregate number of manu-
12 facturing jobs in the United States so that such
13 number is not less than 20 percent of the sum of all
14 nonfarm jobs in the United States;

15 (2) to identify emerging technologies to
16 strengthen the competitiveness of United States
17 manufacturing in the global marketplace; and

18 (3) to strengthen the manufacturing sectors of
19 the United States in which the United States is
20 most competitive in the global economy.

21 (c) INFORMATION REQUIRED.—The national manu-
22 facturing strategy required by subsection (a) shall include
23 the following:

1 (1) A survey of all persons with headquarters in
2 the United States that maintain manufacturing fa-
3 cilities outside of the United States to identify—

4 (A) the categories of products manufac-
5 tured at such facilities; and

6 (B) the number of manufacturing jobs lo-
7 cated at such facilities.

8 (2) A survey of all Federal agencies that pro-
9 vide assistance to United States manufacturers, in-
10 cluding the following:

11 (A) The Department of Commerce.

12 (B) The Department of Defense.

13 (C) The Department of Energy.

14 (D) The Department of Labor.

15 (E) The Department of the Treasury.

16 (F) The Small Business Administration.

17 (G) The Office of Management and Budg-

18 et.

19 (H) The Office of Science and Technology
20 Policy.

21 (I) The Office of the United States Trade
22 Representative.

23 (J) The National Science Foundation.

24 (K) Such other Federal agencies as the
25 President considers appropriate.

1 (3) A survey of manufacturing goods produced
2 in the United States and where such goods are pro-
3 duced.

4 (4) The number of people in the United States
5 employed by manufacturers operating in the United
6 States.

7 (5) An evaluation of the global competitiveness
8 of United States manufacturing, including the fol-
9 lowing:

10 (A) A comparison of the manufacturing
11 policies and strategies of the United States with
12 the policies and strategies of other countries,
13 including the countries that are the top 5 trad-
14 ing partners of the United States.

15 (B) A comparison of the productivity of
16 each sector of the manufacturing industry in
17 the United States with comparable sectors of
18 manufacturing industries in other countries.

19 (d) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The President shall in-
20 clude in the national manufacturing strategy required by
21 subsection (a) recommendations for achieving the goals in-
22 cluded in the strategy pursuant to subsection (b). Such
23 recommendations may include proposals as follows:

24 (1) Actions to be taken by the President, Con-
25 gress, State, local, and territorial governments, the

1 private sector, universities, industry associations,
2 and other stakeholders.

3 (2) Ways to improve Government policies, co-
4 ordination among entities developing such policies,
5 and Government interaction with the manufacturing
6 sector, including interagency communications re-
7 garding the effects of proposed or active Government
8 regulations or other executive actions on the United
9 States manufacturing sector and its workforce.

10 (3) How each Federal agency surveyed under
11 subsection (c)(2) can best support the national man-
12 ufacturing strategy required by subsection (a).

13 (4) Adoption of strategies that have been imple-
14 mented by other countries and proven successful.

15 (e) SUBMITTAL OF STRATEGY.—Not later than 180
16 days after the date of the enactment of this Act and each
17 time the President revises under paragraph (2) of sub-
18 section (a) the strategy required by paragraph (1) of such
19 subsection, the President shall submit to Congress such
20 strategy.

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