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H. R. 5060

To provide whistleblower protections to Federal personnel for disclosing the use of Federal taxpayer funds to evaluate or research unidentified anomalous phenomenon material, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BURCHETT (for himself and Mrs. LUNA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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 “UAP Whistleblower
5 Protection Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS FOR DISCLOSURES**
2 **RELATING TO THE USE OF FEDERAL TAX-**
3 **PAYER FUNDS TO EVALUATE OR RESEARCH**
4 **UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENON**
5 **MATERIAL.**

6 (a) FEDERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.—Section
7 2302(b)(8) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

9 (A) in clause (i), by striking “or” at the
10 end;

11 (B) in clause (ii), by striking the comma at
12 the end and inserting “, or”; and

13 (C) by inserting after clause (ii) the fol-
14 lowing:

15 “(iii) the use of Federal taxpayer
16 funds to evaluate or research unidentified
17 anomalous phenomenon material,”; and

18 (2) in subparagraph (B)—

19 (A) in clause (i), by striking “or” at the
20 end; and

21 (B) by inserting after clause (ii) the fol-
22 lowing:

23 “(iii) the use of Federal taxpayer
24 funds to evaluate or research unidentified
25 anomalous phenomenon material; or”.

1 (b) FBI.—Section 2303(a)(2) of title 5, United
2 States Code, is amended—

3 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or” at
4 the end;

5 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period
6 and inserting “; or”; and

7 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(C) the use of Federal taxpayer funds to
10 evaluate or research unidentified anomalous
11 phenomenon material.”.

12 (c) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—

13 (1) ARMED FORCES.—Section 1034(c)(2) of
14 title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding
15 at the end the following:

16 “(D) The use of Federal taxpayer funds to
17 evaluate or research unidentified anomalous phe-
18 nomenon material.”.

19 (2) DOD CONTRACTORS.—Section 4701(a)(1)
20 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by add-
21 ing at the end the following:

22 “(D) The use of Federal taxpayer funds to
23 evaluate or research unidentified anomalous phe-
24 nomenon material.”.

1 (d) FEDERAL CIVILIAN CONTRACTORS.—Section
2 4712(a)(1) of title 41, United States Code, is amended
3 by inserting after “a gross waste of Federal funds,” the
4 following; “the use of Federal taxpayer funds to evaluate
5 or research unidentified anomalous phenomenon mate-
6 rial,”.

7 (e) INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—Section 1104 of
8 the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3234) is
9 amended—

10 (1) in subsection (b)(1)—

11 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or”
12 at the end;

13 (B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “or”
14 after the semicolon; and

15 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (B)
16 the following:

17 “(C) the use of Federal taxpayer funds to
18 evaluate or research unidentified anomalous
19 phenomenon material;”; and

20 (2) in subsection (c)(1)(A)—

21 (A) in clause (i), by striking “or” at the
22 end;

23 (B) in clause (ii), by striking the semicolon
24 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

1 (C) by inserting after clause (ii) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(iii) the use of Federal taxpayer
4 funds to evaluate or research unidentified
5 anomalous phenomenon material.”.

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