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# S. 4139

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 18, 2026

Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GALLEGRO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BENNET, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. BOOKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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## 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 “Baltic Security Assess-  
5 ment Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

2 It is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) supporting and strengthening the security  
4 of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania (referred to in  
5 this section as the “Baltic countries”) is in the na-  
6 tional security interests of the United States;

7 (2) continuing to strengthen and update the se-  
8 curity cooperation roadmap for the United States  
9 and the Baltic countries is critical to achieving stra-  
10 tegic security priorities as the Baltic countries face  
11 ongoing belligerence and threats from the Russian  
12 Federation, including amid the Russian Federation’s  
13 illegal and unprovoked war in Ukraine that began on  
14 February 24, 2022;

15 (3) the Baltic countries have been valued mem-  
16 bers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization  
17 (NATO) and continue to contribute to NATO’s col-  
18 lective security and partnership; and

19 (4) improved economic ties between the United  
20 States and the Baltic countries, including to counter  
21 economic pressure by the People’s Republic of  
22 China, offer an opportunity to strengthen the United  
23 States-Baltic strategic partnership.

1 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON EMERGING THREATS TO THE BALTIC**  
2 **COUNTRIES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State,  
5 in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit  
6 to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on—

7 (1) emerging military, cyber, hybrid, and polit-  
8 ical threats to the Baltic countries;

9 (2) the roles of the Russian Federation, the Re-  
10 public of Belarus, the People’s Republic of China,  
11 the Islamic Republic of Iran, and other malign ac-  
12 tors in advancing such threats;

13 (3) the current posture and presence of United  
14 States and NATO forces in the Baltic region for the  
15 purpose of deterring such threats;

16 (4) recommendations for strengthening the de-  
17 terrence posture, cybersecurity infrastructure, and  
18 democratic resilience of the Baltic countries; and

19 (5) opportunities to enhance bilateral and mul-  
20 tilateral defense cooperation between the United  
21 States and the Baltic countries, including through  
22 the Baltic Security Initiative established under sec-  
23 tion 1247 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
24 for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60).

1 (b) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a)  
2 shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain  
3 a classified annex.

4 (c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
5 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate commit-  
6 tees of Congress” means—

7 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the  
8 Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee  
9 on Appropriations of the Senate; and

10 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
11 Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee  
12 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

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