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To establish an Office of Economic and Security Preparedness and Resilience,
and for other purposes.

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Ms. DELAURO (for herself and Mr. BANKS) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To establish an Office of Economic and Security
Preparedness and Resilience, and for other purposes.

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 “Strategic Homeland
5 Investment in Economic and Logistical Defense Act” or
6 the “SHIELD Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND SECURITY PREPARED-**
2 **NESS AND RESILIENCE AND SUPPLY CHAIN**
3 **MAPPING UNIT.**

4 (a) OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND SECURITY PRE-
5 PAREDNESS AND RESILIENCE.—The President shall es-
6 tablish in the executive branch an office, to be known as
7 the “Office of Economic and Security Preparedness and
8 Resilience”, to oversee, coordinate, and set priorities for
9 cross-agency efforts to ensure resilient United States sup-
10 ply chains and robust domestic production in sectors that
11 are vital to the national security of the United States, par-
12 ticularly in the context of growing great-power competition
13 with the People’s Republic of China.

14 (b) SUPPLY CHAIN MAPPING UNIT.—The Office
15 shall establish a dedicated unit, to be known as the “Sup-
16 ply Chain Mapping Unit”, to—

17 (1) determine requirements, set priorities, and
18 coordinate efforts among Federal agencies and in-
19 dustry to continuously map, monitor, and analyze
20 supply chains that are critical to the national secu-
21 rity of the United States, including—

22 (A) semiconductors;

23 (B) rare-earth elements and critical min-
24 erals;

25 (C) pharmaceuticals and active pharma-
26 ceutical ingredients; and

1 (D) castings and forgings; and

2 (2) develop interoperable performance measures
3 to monitor and assess current United States supply
4 chain resiliency and risk mitigation efforts, including
5 data collection on United States supply chain de-
6 pendencies on direct and indirect suppliers owned or
7 controlled by or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction
8 of the People’s Republic of China or the Chinese
9 Communist Party, with a particular focus on de-
10 fense-critical and critical infrastructure supply
11 chains.

12 (c) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEFINED.—In sub-
13 section (b)(2), the term “critical infrastructure” has the
14 meaning given that term in the Critical Infrastructures
15 Protection Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 5195c).

16 **SEC. 3. DEFENSE MOBILIZATION UNIT.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the Execu-
18 tive Office of the President a unit, to be known as the
19 “Defense Mobilization Unit”, to be responsible for coordi-
20 nating and setting priorities for—

21 (1) assessing the requirements for weapons,
22 munitions, supplies, and other equipment necessary
23 to equip, support, and defend United States forces
24 and to assist United States allies and partners in a

1 context of growing great-power competition with the
2 People’s Republic of China;

3 (2) determining the adequacy of existing United
4 States stocks and available productive capacity and
5 existing United States allies’ and partners’ stocks
6 and available productive capacities to meet the needs
7 described in paragraph (1);

8 (3) identifying potential shortfalls or bottle-
9 necks that might impede production and resupply to
10 meet the needs described in paragraph (1), to in-
11 clude the impact of partial or complete disruptions
12 in United States-China trade on defense mobilization
13 and domestic availability of critical materials, prod-
14 ucts, and supplies; and

15 (4) recommending corrective measures to ad-
16 dress the corrective measures determined and identi-
17 fied in paragraphs (2) and (3), to include adjust-
18 ments to funding and support mechanisms as nec-
19 essary to ensure the achievement of such corrective
20 measures.

21 (b) CONSULTATION.—The President shall consult
22 with the heads of other Federal departments and agencies
23 on a regular basis to—

24 (1) identify shortfalls and bottlenecks in the
25 current defense industrial base; and

1 (2) support industrial capabilities and addi-
2 tional measures needed to address the shortfalls and
3 bottlenecks identified under paragraph (1).

4 (c) REPORT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-
7 nually thereafter, the President shall submit to the
8 appropriate congressional committees a report that
9 describes the shortfalls and bottlenecks identified
10 under subsection (b)(1).

11 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
12 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-
13 propriate congressional committees” means—

14 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and
15 the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the
16 House of Representatives; and

17 (B) the Committee on Armed Services and
18 the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
19 Transportation of the Senate.

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