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To prohibit computer or printer acquisitions involving entities owned or controlled by China, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. FINSTAD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To prohibit computer or printer acquisitions involving entities owned or controlled by China, 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 “Safeguarding Tech-
5 nology from CCP Influence Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON COMPUTER OR PRINTER ACQUIS-**
2 **TIONS INVOLVING ENTITIES OWNED OR CON-**
3 **TROLLED BY CHINA.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
5 (b), the head of a Federal entity may not acquire any com-
6 puter or printer if the manufacturer, bidder, or offeror is
7 a covered Chinese entity.

8 (b) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The President may waive
9 the prohibition under subsection (a) if the President deter-
10 mines and certifies to Congress that the President finds
11 such action is contrary to the national security of the
12 United States.

13 (c) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply with re-
14 spect to any contract or other agreement entered into, re-
15 newed, or extended after the date of the enactment of this
16 Act.

17 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) COMPUTER.—The term “computer”—

19 (A) means an electronic, magnetic, optical,
20 electrochemical, or other high speed data proc-
21 essing device performing logical, arithmetic, or
22 storage functions, and includes any data stor-
23 age facility or communications facility directly
24 related to or operating in conjunction with such
25 device; and

1 (B) does not include an automated type-
2 writer or typesetter, a portable handheld calcu-
3 lator, or other similar device.

4 (2) COVERED CHINESE ENTITY.—The term
5 “covered Chinese entity” means an entity that the
6 Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Direc-
7 tor of the National Intelligence or the Director of
8 the Federal Bureau of Investigation, determines to
9 be an entity owned, controlled, directed, or subcon-
10 tracted by, affiliated with, or otherwise connected to,
11 the Government of the People’s Republic of China.

12 (3) MANUFACTURER.—The term “manufac-
13 turer” means—

14 (A) the entity that transforms raw mate-
15 rials, miscellaneous parts, or components into
16 the end item;

17 (B) an entity that subcontracts with the
18 entity described in subparagraph (A) for pur-
19 poses of assisting the entity described in such
20 subparagraph in transforming raw materials,
21 miscellaneous parts, or components into the end
22 item;

23 (C) an entity that otherwise directs the en-
24 tity described in subparagraph (A) to transform

1 raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or compo-
2 nents into the end item; or

3 (D) any parent company, subsidiary, or af-
4 filiate of the entity described in subparagraph
5 (A).

6 (4) PRINTER.—The term “printer”—

7 (A) means a desktop printer, a multi-
8 function printer copier, and a printer and fax
9 combination taken out of service that may or
10 may not be designed to reside on a work sur-
11 face;

12 (B) includes—

13 (i) a device that uses various print
14 technology, including laser and LED (elec-
15 trographic), ink jet, dot matrix, thermal,
16 and digital sublimation;

17 (ii) a multi-function or “all-in-one”
18 device that performs different tasks, in-
19 cluding copying, scanning, faxing, and
20 printing; and

21 (iii) a floor-standing printer, a printer
22 with an optional floor stand, or a house-
23 hold printer; and

24 (C) does not include a point-of-sale receipt
25 printer, a calculator with printing capability, a

- 1 label maker, or a non-standalone printer that is
- 2 embedded into a product that is not described
- 3 in subparagraphs (A) and (B).