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To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to prevent harm and disruption to the United States agriculture industry by protecting against foreign influence over agriculture production and supply chains, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. TUBERVILLE (for himself, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. MARSHALL, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SCHMITT, Mr. SHEEHY, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. FISCHER, and Ms. LUMMIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

A BILL

To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to prevent harm and disruption to the United States agriculture industry by protecting against foreign influence over agriculture production and supply chains, 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 “Foreign Adversary
5 Risk Management Act” or the “FARM Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES AGRICULTURE INCLUDED IN COM-**
2 **MITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE**
3 **UNITED STATES.**

4 (a) **AGRICULTURE REPRESENTATIVE.**—Section
5 721(k)(2) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50
6 U.S.C. 4565(k)(2)) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (H), (I),
8 and (J) as subparagraphs (I), (J), and (K), respec-
9 tively; and

10 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (G) the fol-
11 lowing:

12 “(H) The Secretary of Agriculture.”.

13 (b) **REVIEW OF AGRICULTURE INVESTMENTS BY**
14 **FOREIGN ENTITIES.**—Section 721(a)(4) of the Defense
15 Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(4)) is amend-
16 ed—

17 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

18 (A) in clause (i), by striking “; and” and
19 inserting a semicolon;

20 (B) in clause (ii), by striking the period at
21 the end and inserting “; and”; and

22 (C) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(iii) any transaction described in
24 subparagraph (B)(vi) that is proposed,
25 pending, or completed on or after the date

1 of the enactment of the Foreign Adversary
2 Risk Management Act.”; and

3 (2) in subparagraph (B), by adding at the end
4 the following:

5 “(vi) Any transaction, merger, acqui-
6 sition, transfer, agreement, takeover, or
7 other arrangement that could result in for-
8 eign control of any United States business
9 that is engaged in agriculture and uses ag-
10 ricultural products (as defined in the first
11 section of the Act of July 2, 1926 (44
12 Stat. 802, chapter 725; 7 U.S.C. 451)).”.

13 (c) AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY CHAINS INCLUDED IN
14 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—Section 721(a)(5) of the
15 Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(5))
16 is amended—

17 (1) by striking “‘critical infrastructure’ means”
18 and inserting the following: “‘critical infrastruc-
19 ture’—

20 “(A) means”;

21 (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-
22 ing “; and”; and

23 (3) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(B) includes, subject to regulations pre-
2 scribed by the Committee, agricultural systems
3 and supply chains.”.

4 (d) AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY CHAINS INCLUDED AS
5 CRITICAL TECHNOLOGIES.—Section 721(a)(6)(A) of the
6 Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C.
7 4565(a)(6)(A)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(vii) Agricultural supply chains used
10 for agricultural products (as defined in the
11 first section of the Act of July 2, 1926 (44
12 Stat. 802, chapter 725; 7 U.S.C. 451)).”.

13 **SEC. 3. REPORTS ON INVESTMENTS BY FOREIGN COUN-**
14 **TRIES IN UNITED STATES AGRICULTURE IN-**
15 **DUSTRY.**

16 Not later than one year after the date of the enact-
17 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture and the
18 Comptroller General of the United States shall each—

19 (1) conduct an analysis of foreign influence in
20 the United States agriculture industry; and

21 (2) submit to Congress a report that includes a
22 summary of—

23 (A) foreign investments in the United
24 States agriculture industry;

1 (B) the potential for foreign investment to
2 undermine United States agriculture production
3 and agricultural supply chains;

4 (C) the largest international threats for in-
5 creased foreign control of, and investment in,
6 the United States agriculture sector; and

7 (D) agriculture-related espionage and theft
8 techniques used by foreign governments, includ-
9 ing any attempts to target United States agri-
10 cultural intellectual property, innovation, re-
11 search and development, cost or pricing data, or
12 internal strategy documents.

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