

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119–33

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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 17 ____ . NORTH KOREAN FAKER ACT.**

2 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
3 United States—

4 (1) to counter illicit revenue generation by the
5 Democratic People’s Republic of Korea through de-
6 ceptive remote employment and identity fraud
7 schemes;

8 (2) to prevent such revenue from being used to
9 support the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea
10 ballistic missile programs and weapons of mass de-
11 struction (WMD) proliferation activities, including
12 nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons programs;

13 (3) to promote international cooperation and
14 strengthen international norms and standards to de-
15 tect, disrupt, and deter such activities; and

16 (4) to apply diplomatic tools to prevent foreign
17 persons from facilitating such schemes or contrib-
18 uting to WMD proliferation networks associated
19 with the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea.

1 (b) INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION.—The Secretary
2 of State is authorized to coordinate with the governments
3 of allied and partner countries, to—

4 (1) align sanctions and other restrictive meas-
5 ures, including with respect to persons who know-
6 ingly engage in, facilitate, or are responsible for a
7 remote information technology worker scheme con-
8 ducted on behalf of the Democratic People’s Repub-
9 lic of Korea;

10 (2) enhance information sharing regarding the
11 Democratic People’s Republic of Korea remote infor-
12 mation technology worker schemes, money-laun-
13 dering, and WMD proliferation networks;

14 (3) prioritize diplomatic engagement with juris-
15 dictions identified as hosting, enabling, or failing to
16 prevent illicit Democratic People’s Republic of Korea
17 remote workforce activity, including through security
18 assistance, technical trainings, and, where appro-
19 priate, the use of sanctions or economic measures;
20 and

21 (4) develop and implement coordinated strate-
22 gies and security assistance to prevent DPRK sanc-
23 tions evasion and proliferation financing.

24 (c) EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT.—The Secretary of
25 State is authorized to engage with private sector entities

1 with relevant technical expertise, including cybersecurity
2 firms, financial institutions, digital asset platforms, and
3 online labor marketplaces, to enhance the ability of the
4 United States and its partners to detect, attribute, and
5 disrupt activities described in subsection (a), including
6 WMD-related proliferation support as well as to address
7 the use of artificial intelligence, synthetic identities, and
8 other emerging technologies in furtherance of activities de-
9 scribed in subsection (a).

10 (d) REWARDS FOR JUSTICE PROGRAM ENHANCE-
11 MENT.—Subject to the limitations set forth in section
12 36(e) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of
13 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2708(e)), the Secretary of State is au-
14 thorized to increase the reward offered through the De-
15 partment of State Rewards for Justice Program with re-
16 spect to activities described in subsection (a), including
17 Democratic People’s Republic of Korea-linked illicit re-
18 mote information technology worker schemes and WMD
19 proliferation networks. In carrying out this authority, the
20 program should enhance outreach, increase public aware-
21 ness, and prioritize information that facilitates the identi-
22 fication, disruption, or prevention of such activities.

23 (e) ATTRIBUTION.—The Secretary of State, in con-
24 sultation with the relevant heads of other departments and
25 agencies, is authorized to publicly attribute, as appro-

1 piate, illicit remote workforce schemes and associated en-
2 tities linked to the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea,
3 including through coordinated bilateral or multilateral
4 statements and joint advisories to increase public aware-
5 ness of the WMD proliferation activities of the Democratic
6 People’s Republic of Korea.

7 (f) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
8 of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for a
9 period of 2 years, the Secretary of State shall provide a
10 report to the appropriate congressional committees that
11 include—

12 (1) an assessment of illicit remote workforce ac-
13 tivities conducted by or on behalf of the Democratic
14 People’s Republic of Korea;

15 (2) a description of efforts to coordinate with
16 allies and partners to counter such activities;

17 (3) an overview of actions taken to disrupt as-
18 sociated networks;

19 (4) a description of coordination between the
20 Department of State with interagency partners to
21 achieve the objectives described in subsection (a);
22 and

23 (5) recommendations for additional diplomatic,
24 economic, or legislative measures to enhance the ef-
25 fectiveness of such efforts.

1 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-
3 mittees” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
5 the House of Representatives; and

6 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
7 the Senate.

8 (2) The term “artificial intelligence” has the
9 meaning given such term in section 5002(3) of the
10 National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020
11 (15 U.S.C. 9401(3)).

