

AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA

1 At the end of subtitle B of title XXXI, add the fol-
2 lowing new section:

3 **SEC. 31____. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
4 **NATIONAL LABORATORIES THAT ADMIT CER-**
5 **TAIN FOREIGN NATIONAL VISITORS.**

6 (a) PROHIBITION.—No funds authorized to be appro-
7 priated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal
8 year 2027 for the Department of Energy may be obligated
9 or expended for any National Laboratory that authorizes
10 the admission of a covered visitor to any area of the Na-
11 tional Laboratory not accessible to the general public.

12 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) The term “covered visitor”, with respect to
14 a National Laboratory—

15 (A) means a foreign national from a coun-
16 try of concern (as such term is defined in sec-
17 tion 8512 of the National Defense Authoriza-
18 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (50 U.S.C. 4581
19 note; Public Law 119-60)) that—

1 (i) is not an employee of the Depart-
2 ment of Energy or a management and op-
3 erations contractor operating the National
4 Laboratory on behalf of the Department of
5 Energy; and

6 (ii) has requested access to the prem-
7 ises, information, or technology of the Na-
8 tional Laboratory; and

9 (B) does not include any lawful permanent
10 resident of the United States.

11 (2) The term “National Laboratory” has the
12 meaning given such term in section 2 of the Energy
13 Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801).

