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# H. R. 4465

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 2021

Mr. LYNCH (for himself and Ms. FOXX) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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## A BILL

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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 “Federally Funded Re-  
5 search and Technology Development Protection Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ENHANCED SAFEGUARDS AGAINST FOREIGN PRO-**  
2 **CUREMENT OF FEDERALLY FUNDED RE-**  
3 **SEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.**

4 (a) **ENHANCED REVIEW REQUIRED.**—Not later than  
5 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
6 Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall—

7 (1) require that any agency that makes a Fed-  
8 eral grant maintains compliance operations to guard  
9 against malign foreign talent recruitment programs;  
10 and

11 (2) prescribe standardized disclosure and ac-  
12 countability measures to support such compliance  
13 operations.

14 (b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

15 (1) **AGENCY.**—The term “agency” has the  
16 meaning given that term in section 551 of title 5,  
17 United States Code.

18 (2) **MALIGN FOREIGN TALENT RECRUITMENT**  
19 **PROGRAM.**—The term “malign foreign talent recruit-  
20 ment program” means an effort directly or indirectly  
21 organized, managed, or funded by a foreign govern-  
22 ment to recruit any individual or public or private  
23 entity (regardless of citizenship, national origin, or  
24 primary headquarters) engaged in research funded  
25 directly or indirectly by a Federal agency to share

- 1 information with, or otherwise act on behalf of, such
- 2 foreign government.

