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H. R. 4514

To direct the Secretary of Energy to fund projects to restore and modernize
National Laboratories, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 19, 2021

Mr. FOSTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

A BILL

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and modernize National Laboratories, and for other pur-
poses.

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 “Restore and Modernize
5 Our National Laboratories Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL LABORATORIES RESTORATION AND**
7 **MODERNIZATION.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The term “Na-
10 tional Laboratory” has the meaning given the term

1 in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42
2 U.S.C. 15801).

3 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
4 the Secretary of Energy.

5 (b) RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION
6 PROJECTS.—The Secretary shall fund projects described
7 in subsection (c) as needed to address the deferred mainte-
8 nance, critical infrastructure needs, and modernization of
9 National Laboratories.

10 (c) PROJECTS DESCRIBED.—The projects referred to
11 in subsection (b) are, as determined by the Secretary—

12 (1) priority deferred maintenance projects at
13 National Laboratories, including facilities
14 sustainment for, upgrade of, and construction of re-
15 search laboratories, administrative and support
16 buildings, utilities, roads, power plants, and any
17 other critical infrastructure; and

18 (2) lab modernization projects at National Lab-
19 oratories, including lab modernization projects relat-
20 ing to core infrastructure needed—

21 (A) to support existing and emerging
22 science missions with new and specialized re-
23 quirements for world-leading scientific user fa-
24 cilities and computing capabilities; and

1 (B) to maintain safe, efficient, reliable,
2 and environmentally responsible operations.

3 (d) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—For each fiscal year
4 through fiscal year 2026, at the same time as the annual
5 budget submission of the President, the Secretary shall
6 submit to the Committees on Appropriations and Energy
7 and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committees
8 on Appropriations and Science, Space, and Technology of
9 the House of Representatives a list of projects for which
10 the Secretary will provide funding under this section, in-
11 cluding a description of each project and the funding pro-
12 file for the project.

13 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
15 appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this sec-
16 tion \$6,100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022
17 through 2026.

18 (2) OFFICE OF SCIENCE.—Not less than $\frac{1}{6}$ of
19 the amounts made available to carry out this section
20 each fiscal year shall be managed by the Office of
21 Science of the Department of Energy.

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