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# H. R. 824

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 2021

Mrs. LESKO (for herself, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. PERRY, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mr. GAETZ) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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 “Stop China’s IP Theft  
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1           (1) China is perpetrating what Secretary of De-  
2       fense Mark Esper has called “the greatest intellec-  
3       tual property theft in human history”.

4           (2) A report by the Australian Strategic Policy  
5       Institute has found that since 2007 approximately  
6       500 Chinese military scientists were sent to the  
7       United States to study. According to the report  
8       China has been sending soldiers to study science and  
9       engineering in Western universities including the  
10      United States as part of a widespread effort to col-  
11      lect military technology.

12   **SEC. 3. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

13       It is the policy of the United States to prohibit the  
14      entry of Chinese Communist Party leaders and military  
15      and government officials of the People’s Republic of China  
16      into the United States until the Government of the Peo-  
17      ple’s Republic of China ceases its efforts to infringe on  
18      the intellectual property rights of the United States.

19   **SEC. 4. RESTRICTION ON ISSUANCE OF VISAS.**

20       (a) RESTRICTION.—The Secretary of State may not  
21      issue a visa to, and the Secretary of Homeland Security  
22      shall deny entry to the United States of, each of the fol-  
23      lowing:

24           (1) Senior officials in the Chinese Communist  
25      Party, including the Politburo, the Central Com-

1        mittee, and each delegate to the 19th National Con-  
2        gress of the Chinese Communist Party.

3            (2) The spouses and children of the senior offi-  
4        cials described in paragraph (1).

5            (3) Members of the cabinet of the Government  
6        of the People's Republic of China.

7            (4) Active duty members of the People's Libera-  
8        tion Army of China.

9        (b) APPLICABILITY.—The restriction under sub-  
10    section (a) shall not apply for any year in which the Direc-  
11    tor of National Intelligence certifies to the Committees on  
12    the Judiciary of the House of Representatives and the  
13    Senate that the Government of the People's Republic of  
14    China has ceased sponsoring, funding, facilitating, and ac-  
15    tively working to support efforts to infringe on the intellec-  
16    tual property rights of citizens and companies of the  
17    United States.

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