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# H. R. 258

Requiring the President to take retaliatory action against foreign barriers and restrictions that unfairly limit United States trade.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NEAL of North Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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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       That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the  
4       President decides, or if the Congress by concurrent resolu-  
5       tion declares, that any foreign nation (including any for-  
6       eign instrumentality) is applying any tariff or non-tariff  
7       barrier (including any restriction on services) that is un-  
8       duly burdening and restricting the foreign trade of the  
9       United States, the President shall take such action, and  
10      for such time, as is necessary or appropriate to obtain the

1 elimination of that barrier. In applying this Act, the Presi-  
2 dent shall—

3 (1) to the extent practicable, apply a barrier—

4 (A) similar in kind to that applied by the  
5 foreign nation against United States goods or  
6 services, and

7 (B) applicable to a product or service of  
8 that nation that is like or similar to the product  
9 or service of the United States to which that  
10 nation's barrier applies; and

11 (2) in circumstances where paragraph (1) can-  
12 not be applied, take retaliatory action under this Act  
13 that affects goods or services, or both, of the foreign  
14 country of a value equivalent to the value of the  
15 United States goods or services being adversely af-  
16 fected by the foreign barrier.

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