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2D SESSION

H. R. 7686

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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and Transportation

AN ACT

To amend the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act to clarify the definition of foreign country for purposes of malign foreign talent recruitment restriction, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. CLARIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF FOREIGN**
2 **COUNTRY FOR PURPOSES OF MALIGN FOR-**
3 **EIGN TALENT RECRUITMENT RESTRICTION.**

4 Paragraph (4) of section 10638 of title VI of division
5 B of the Research and Development, Competition, and In-
6 novation Act is amended—

7 (1) by inserting “of concern” after “foreign
8 country” each place such term appears;

9 (2) by striking “means—” and all that follows
10 through “any program, position, or activity” and in-
11 serting “means any program, position, or activity”;

12 (3) by striking subparagraph (B);

13 (4) by redesignating clauses (i) through (ix) as
14 subparagraphs (A) through (I), respectively, and
15 moving such subparagraphs, as so redesignated, two
16 ems to the left;

17 (5) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
18 as so redesignated, by striking “directly provided”
19 and inserting “whether directly or indirectly pro-
20 vided”; and

