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114TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To authorize the Secretary of Defense to cooperate with Israel to develop directed energy capabilities to detect and defeat ballistic missiles, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. STEFANIK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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 “U.S.-Israel Security  
5 Cooperation Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES-ISRAEL DIRECTED ENERGY CO-**  
2 **OPERATION.**

3 (a) **AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH DIRECTED ENERGY**  
4 **CAPABILITIES PROGRAM WITH ISRAEL.—**

5 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**The Secretary of Defense,  
6 upon the request of the Ministry of Defense of  
7 Israel, and in consultation with the Secretary of  
8 State, may carry out research, development, test,  
9 and evaluation activities, on a joint basis with Israel,  
10 to establish directed energy capabilities to detect and  
11 defeat ballistic missiles, cruise missiles, unmanned  
12 aerial vehicles, mortars, and improvised explosive de-  
13 vices that threaten the United States, deployed  
14 forces of the United States, or Israel. Any activities  
15 carried out pursuant to such authority shall be con-  
16 ducted in a manner that appropriately protects sen-  
17 sitive information and the national security interests  
18 of the United States and Israel.

19 (2) **REPORT.—**The activities described in para-  
20 graph (1) may be carried out after the Secretary of  
21 Defense submits to the appropriate committees of  
22 Congress a report setting forth the following:

23 (A) A memorandum of agreement between  
24 the United States and Israel regarding sharing  
25 of research and development costs for the capa-

1           bilities described in paragraph (1), and any  
2           supporting documents.

3           (B) A certification that the memorandum  
4           of agreement—

5                   (i) requires sharing of costs of  
6                   projects, including in-kind support, be-  
7                   tween the United States and Israel;

8                   (ii) establishes a framework to nego-  
9                   tiate the rights to any intellectual property  
10                  developed under the memorandum of  
11                  agreement; and

12                  (iii) requires the United States Gov-  
13                  ernment to receive semiannual reports on  
14                  expenditure of funds, if any, by the Gov-  
15                  ernment of Israel, including a description  
16                  of what the funds have been used for,  
17                  when funds were expended, and an identi-  
18                  fication of entities that expended the  
19                  funds.

20           (3) ANNUAL LIMITATION ON AMOUNT.—The  
21           amount of support provided under this subsection in  
22           any year may not exceed \$25,000,000.

23           (b) LEAD AGENCY.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
24           designate the Missile Defense Agency as the appropriate

1 research and development entity and as the lead agency  
2 of the Department of Defense in carrying out this section.

3 (c) SEMIANNUAL REPORTS.—The Secretary of De-  
4 fense shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
5 gress on a semiannual basis a report that contains a copy  
6 of the most recent semiannual report provided by the Gov-  
7 ernment of Israel to the Department of Defense pursuant  
8 to subsection (a)(2)(B)(iii).

9 (d) SUNSET.—The authority in this section to carry  
10 out activities described in subsection (a) shall expire on  
11 December 31, 2018.

12 (e) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
13 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate commit-  
14 tees of Congress” means—

15 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
16 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on  
17 Homeland Security, the Committee on Appropria-  
18 tions, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of  
19 the Senate; and

20 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
21 Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on  
22 Homeland Security, the Committee on Appropria-  
23 tions, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intel-  
24 ligence of the House of Representatives.