

# SB-13

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BOYS NATION

Mr. Ray of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill;

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## A BILL

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*Be it enacted by The American Legion Boys Nation Senate assembled,*

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Economic Revitalization Act".

### SECTION 2. LIMITATIONS ON OUTSOURCING

(1) Definitions:

(A) "Public sector" refers to all federal, state, and local government agencies, departments, and entities.

(B) "Outsourcing" refers to the practice of contracting or subcontracting

public sector jobs to foreign entities, including but not limited to overseas companies, foreign governments, or their subsidiaries.

(2) Prohibition on Outsourcing:

(A) Effective 90 days after the enactment of this Act, the public sector shall be prohibited from outsourcing any jobs to foreign entities.

(B) This prohibition shall apply to all aspects of the public sector, including but not limited to executive agencies, legislative bodies, and judicial institutions at all levels of government.

(C) Public sector entities may be exempt from this prohibition in either of the following situations:

i. If, during a period of acute crisis (such as public health emergency, wartime, or crisis), outsourcing is necessary to achieve a short-term objective that remedies a significant detriment to the American public's well-being.

ii. If a public sector entity successfully agrees with a foreign entity that any outsourcing of American economic activity to that respective country is reciprocated with benefits to the American economy of equal magnitude.

### **SECTION 3. INFORMATION REPORTING**

(1) Reporting Requirements:

(A) Within 90 days of the enactment of this Act, all public sector entities shall submit a report to the Department of Commerce detailing their current outsourcing practices and contracts.

(B) The report shall include information on the number and nature of jobs outsourced, the countries involved, the associated costs and savings, and any plans for future outsourcing.

(C) The Department of Commerce shall compile and publish an annual report summarizing the information received from public sector entities.

(2) Public Accountability:

(A) The annual report shall be made publicly available and easily accessible through the Department of Commerce's website.

(B) Public sector entities found to be in violation of the outsourcing prohibition shall be subject to penalties and may be required to repatriate the outsourced jobs.

#### **SECTION 4. ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS**

(1) Oversight:

(A) The Dept. of Commerce shall be responsible for monitoring and enforcing compliance with this Act.

(B) The agency shall have the authority to conduct audits, investigations, and assessments to ensure public sector entities are in compliance.

(2) Penalties:

(A) Public sector entities found to have violated this Act shall be subject to financial penalties, commensurate with the severity and frequency of the violation.

(B) The penalties collected shall be used to support job training and workforce development programs for American workers affected by outsourcing.

## **SECTION 5. RESOURCE ALLOCATION**

(a) Funding:

(1) The necessary funds to implement and enforce this Act shall be allocated from existing appropriations for the Department of Commerce. In addition, funds that are designated for federally-funded "Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion" programming shall be reallocated for the provisions of this bill.

## **SECTION 7. SUNSET PROVISION**

(1) Within five years of the enactment of this Act, a comprehensive review of its effectiveness and impact shall be conducted by an independent agency or committee established for this purpose.

(2) The findings of the review shall be submitted to Congress for consideration in determining the Act's future.