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

To strengthen the requirements relating to advance electronic information  
for cargo, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. EZELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on \_\_\_\_\_

**A BILL**

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information for cargo, 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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Uniform Postal Data  
5       Acquisition for Transparency and Early Detection within  
6       the United States Postal Service Act” or the “UPDATED  
7       USPS Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO**  
2 **ADVANCE ELECTRONIC INFORMATION FOR**  
3 **CARGO.**

4 (a) **ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTION ON USE OF AD-**  
5 **VANCE ELECTRONIC INFORMATION FOR COMMERCIAL EN-**  
6 **FORCEMENT.**—Section 343(a)(3)(F) of the Customs Bor-  
7 der Security Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 1415(a)(3)(F)) is  
8 amended by striking “, and shall” and all that follows  
9 through “thereunder”.

10 (b) **ELIMINATION OF WAIVERS OF REQUIREMENT TO**  
11 **TRANSMIT ADVANCE ELECTRONIC INFORMATION FOR**  
12 **COUNTRIES.**—

13 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 343(a)(3)(K)(vi) of  
14 the Customs Border Security Act of 2002 (19  
15 U.S.C. 1415(a)(3)(K)(vi)) is amended—

16 (A) by striking subclauses (II), (III), and  
17 (IV); and

18 (B) by striking “(I) Notwithstanding” and  
19 inserting “Notwithstanding”.

20 (2) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made  
21 by paragraph (1) take effect on the date that is 180  
22 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

23 (c) **REQUIREMENT TO REFUSE SHIPMENTS FOR**  
24 **WHICH ADVANCE ELECTRONIC INFORMATION IS NOT**  
25 **TRANSMITTED.**—Section 343(a)(3)(K)(vii) of the Cus-

1 toms Border Security Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C.  
2 1415(a)(3)(K)(vii)) is amended to read as follows:

3 “(vii) The Commissioner shall refuse entry  
4 for any international mail shipments described  
5 in clause (i) received after December 31, 2023,  
6 for which the information described in para-  
7 graphs (1) and (2) is not transmitted as re-  
8 quired under this subparagraph.”.

9 (d) INCLUSION OF LETTER CLASS MAIL; PUBLICA-  
10 TION OF NUMBER OF SHIPMENTS FOR WHICH ADVANCE  
11 ELECTRONIC INFORMATION NOT TRANSMITTED.—Sec-  
12 tion 343(a)(3)(K) of the Customs Border Security Act of  
13 2002 (19 U.S.C. 1415(a)(3)(K)) is amended—

14 (1) by redesignating clauses (viii) and (ix) as  
15 clauses (x) and (xi), respectively; and

16 (2) by inserting after clause (vii) the following:

17 “(viii) Not later than December 31, 2023,  
18 the Postal Service shall arrange for the trans-  
19 mission to the Commissioner of the information  
20 described in paragraphs (1) and (2) for all  
21 international mail shipments.

22 “(ix) Not less frequently than every 30  
23 days, the Postal Service shall publish on a pub-  
24 licly accessible internet website the number of  
25 international mail shipments for which the in-

1           formation described in paragraphs (1) and (2)  
2           was not transmitted to the Commissioner under  
3           this subparagraph during the preceding 30-day  
4           period.”.

5           (e) MONTHLY REPORT.—Section 343(a) of the Cus-  
6   toms Border Security Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 1415(a))  
7   is amended by adding at the end the following:

8           “(6) MONTHLY REPORT.—Not later than 90  
9   days after the date of the enactment of the UP-  
10   DATED USPS Act, and every 30 days thereafter,  
11   the Secretary shall publish, for the preceding 30-day  
12   period, the following information:

13           “(A) The total volume of international  
14   mail shipments and other cargo received by the  
15   Postal Service and private sector importers for  
16   which advance electronic information is sub-  
17   mitted under this section.

18           “(B) The number of packages included in  
19   such shipments and cargo that U.S. Customs  
20   and Border Protection requested to screen and  
21   the number of packages provided for such  
22   screening by the Postal Service and private sec-  
23   tor importers.

24           “(C) An assessment of the results of in-  
25   spections by U.S. Customs and Border Protec-

1           tion of international mail facilities and private  
2           sector importers, including the number of goods  
3           inspected and seized.

4           “(D) The volume of Inbound Express Mail  
5           Service items entered under section  
6           13031(b)(9)(D) of the Consolidated Omnibus  
7           Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (19 U.S.C.  
8           58c(b)(9)(D)).

9           “(E) The total amount of fees paid to U.S.  
10          Customs and Border Protection by the Postal  
11          Service and private sector importers under that  
12          section.

13          “(F) The number of international mail  
14          shipments, disaggregated by letters and pack-  
15          ages, received from each foreign country.”.

16          (f) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 343 of the  
17          Customs Border Security Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 1415)  
18          is amended—

19               (1) in subsection (a)(3)(G), by striking the sec-  
20          ond period at the end;

21               (2) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-  
22          lows:

23          “(c) SECRETARY DEFINED.—In this section, the  
24          term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of the Treasury and  
25          the Secretary of Homeland Security acting jointly.”; and

1           (3) by striking “the Customs Service” each  
2       place it appears and inserting “U.S. Customs and  
3       Border Protection”.