

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

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To limit the transfer of F-35 aircraft to Turkey.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. TILLIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. LIMITATION ON TRANSFER OF F-35 AIRCRAFT**

4                       **TO TURKEY.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under sub-  
6       section (b), no funds may be obligated or expended—

7               (1) to transfer, facilitate the transfer, or au-  
8       thorize the transfer of, an F-35 aircraft to Turkey;

9       or

1           (2) to transfer intellectual property or technical  
2           data necessary for or related to any maintenance or  
3           support of the F-35 aircraft.

4           (b) EXCEPTION.—The President may waive the limi-  
5           tation under subsection (a) upon a written certification to  
6           Congress that the Government of Turkey is not—

7           (1) taking steps to degrade NATO interoper-  
8           ability;

9           (2) exposing NATO assets to hostile actors;

10          (3) degrading the general security of NATO  
11          member countries;

12          (4) seeking to import or purchase defense arti-  
13          cles from a foreign country with respect to which  
14          sanctions are imposed by the United States; or

15          (5) wrongfully or unlawfully detaining one or  
16          more United States citizens.