

Chairman Moolenaar Remarks

Floor Remarks in support of H.R. 8333 – The BIOSECURE Act

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Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the bipartisan BIOSECURE Act. I know that some of my colleagues may have questions about naming specific Chinese companies in this legislation, so let me be clear.

It is Congress's constitutional duty to write national security laws, and that includes the authority to investigate and name foreign-adversary-controlled companies in law because of the threat they pose to national security.

And make no mistake: BGI, WuXi AppTec, and Wuxi Biologics all pose unacceptable threats to national security. The evidence is clear and available to all Members.

Courts have upheld laws in which Congress named Huawei and Kaspersky as national security threats and imposed prohibitions on their activities, and I'm confident that they will do the same for TikTok.

When the evidence in front of Congress shows that foreign adversary companies are a particularly important or especially urgent threat to national security, it is Congress's job to act. Congress now has a duty to do exactly that. Please join me in supporting this vital legislation.

I yield back.