118TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

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To require a report on the United States supply of nitrocellulose.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. RISCH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 "Ammunition Supply5 Chain Act".

6 SEC. 2. REPORT ON UNITED STATES SUPPLY OF NITRO7 CELLULOSE.

8 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-9 ings:

10 (1) Congress remains concerned about the do-11 mestic supply and production of nitrocellulose.

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(2) Any failure or supply shortage could restrict
 ammunition manufacturing for large and small cali bers, harming the commercial marketplace and plac ing the war fighters at risk.
 (b) REPORT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days 7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-8 retary of the Army shall submit to Congress a report 9 on the United States supply chain for smokeless 10 gunpowder, including nitrocellulose, nitroglycerin, 11 and acid production, essential to ammunition manu-12 facturing.

13 (2) SCOPE.—The report required under para14 graph (1) should address the following topics:

15 (A) Improving the sourcing of smokeless
16 gunpowder necessary for the production of am17 munition, including nitrocellulose, nitroglycerin,
18 and acid production.

19 (B) Protecting against single points of fail20 ure across ammunition supply chain facilities,
21 including primary and secondary locations.

(C) Reducing the risk of disruptions
caused by global demand for ammunition and
ammunition smokeless powder across commercial and non-commercial markets.

1 (D) Utilizing the private and commercial 2 sector's sourcing, manufacturing, and produc-3 tion capacity and expertise to the greatest ex-4 tent practicable to broaden points of production 5 and private sector investment.