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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

S. 1272 – Trade Review Act of 2025

(Sen. Cantwell, D-WA, and 13 cosponsors)

The Administration strongly opposes S. 1272, the Trade Review Act of 2025. By requiring Congressional approval for nearly every tariff increase, S. 1272 would severely constrain the President's ability to use authorities long recognized by Congress and upheld by the courts to respond to national emergencies and foreign threats. The bill also requires the Administration to notify Congress of any new or increased tariffs within 48 hours of imposition.

The Trump Administration is enacting policies to put America First on trade by opening new market access for U.S. farmers, raising wages for American workers, pursuing reciprocal trade, and reshoring the manufacturing essential to our national security. Tariffs are a critical component of that policy and this legislation runs contrary to those aims. S. 1272 eliminates leverage over foreign trading partners, inhibits reshoring and supply chain resilience, fosters market uncertainty, and introduces procedural micromanagement that reduces the energy and dispatch required by the President to effectively guarantee the nation's security. If passed, this bill would dangerously hamper the President's authority and duty to determine our foreign policy and protect our national security.

If S. 1272 were presented to the President, he would veto the bill.
