

## **The Taiwan Policy Act of 2022**

The Taiwan Policy Act of 2022 promotes the security of Taiwan, ensures regional stability and deters further People's Republic of China (PRC) aggression against Taiwan. It also threatens severe sanctions against the PRC for hostile actions against Taiwan.

The Taiwan Policy Act of 2022 creates a new initiative to bolster Taiwan's defense capabilities, providing almost \$4.5 billion in security assistance over the next four years and designating Taiwan as a "Major Non-NATO Ally"; reforms bureaucratic practices and procedures to bolster support for Taiwan's democratic government; provides additional support for Taiwan's participation in international organizations and in multilateral trade agreements; takes concrete steps to counters PRC's aggressive influence campaigns; creates a Taiwan Fellowship Program; and creates a robust sanctions regime to deter further PRC aggression against Taiwan.

### **TITLE I: United States Policy Toward Taiwan**

- This title reaffirms the Taiwan Relations Act and the Six Assurances; establishes objectives to support the security of Taiwan and its democratic, economic, and military institutions; and creates new mechanisms to deter PRC aggression towards Taiwan. This title directs the federal government to engage with the democratic government of Taiwan as the legitimate representative of the people of Taiwan, prohibits restrictions on federal government official interaction with their counterparts in the Government of Taiwan, directs the Secretary of State to negotiate the renaming of the "Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office" to the "Taiwan Representative Office" and requires Senate confirmation for the Director of the American Institute in Taiwan and bestows the title "Representative" for such office.

### **TITLE II: Implementation of an Enhanced Defense Partnership Between the United States and Taiwan**

- This title amends Section 2(b)(5) of the TRA by expanding the provision of arms to Taiwan from being in a "defensive manner" to "arms conducive to deterring acts of aggression by the People's Liberation Army". This title also authorizes the federal government to strengthen security cooperation with Taiwan and otherwise deter the PLA aggression against Taiwan, regardless of formal diplomatic status, and affirms that nothing in the Act may be construed to constitute an obstacle to any otherwise lawful action of the President or U.S. Government Agency pertaining to U.S. interests in Taiwan. This title establishes the Taiwan Security Assistance Initiative, which authorizes \$4.5 billion over four years in Foreign Military Financing, and appropriately prioritizes Taiwan's requests for assistance. The federal government is directed to fortify, grow, and report on Taiwan's self-defense and resilience capabilities by regularly assessing, planning for, and deterring aggression by the People's Liberation Army and creating a comprehensive training program to improve Taiwan's defense. Finally, this title increases annual war reserves stockpile additions from \$200 million to \$500 million for the purposes of supporting Taiwan's defense, and bolsters U.S. commitment to Taiwan's security by designating it as a major non-NATO ally.

### **TITLE III: Countering People's Republic of China's Aggression and Influence Campaigns**

- This title directs the State Department to develop and implement strategic guidance and capacity building measures for Taiwan's private and public sector to respond to disinformation, cyberattacks, and propaganda by China, and establishes a coordinated partnership through the American Institute in Taiwan's Global Cooperation and Training Framework with like-minded governments to share data and best practices with Taiwan to address power operations supported by the Government of China. Further, this title directs the Secretary of State to submit a strategy

for responding to the People's Republic of China's increased economic coercion against countries who increase their ties or support for Taiwan.

#### **TITLE IV: Inclusion of Taiwan in International Organizations**

- This title establishes U.S. policy to promote inclusion and participation of Taiwan in international organizations, and directs the Permanent Representative of the U.S. to the United Nations and other relevant representatives to leverage their voice and vote to promote Taiwan's inclusion and meaningful participation in international organizations. Supports Taiwan's participation in the Inter-American Development Bank to diversify the institution's donor base and facilitate Taiwan's continued contribution to the development of Latin American and Caribbean economies, and authorizes the Secretary of State to endorse and pursue non-borrowing Inter-American Development Bank membership for Taiwan. Finally, this title amends subsection (a) of section 2 of the TAIPEI Act to address U.N. Resolution 2758's lack of position on Taiwan's representation and sovereignty, and includes the United States' opposition to any initiative that would change Taiwan's status without consent.

#### **TITLE V: Enhanced Development and Economic Cooperation Between the United States and Taiwan**

- This title presents findings on the importance of economic partnership, including the U.S.-Taiwan Economic Prosperity Partnership Dialogue, Taiwan's contribution to American security and prosperity including diversification of supply chain security, employment growth, and a free and open economy in the Indo-Pacific. Also states that it is the Sense of Congress that the United States should finalize the Trade and Investment Framework Agreement with Taiwan, incorporate Taiwan into the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework, and establish Custom's and Border Patrol pre-clearance facilities in Taiwan.

#### **TITLE VI: Supporting United States Educational and Exchange Programs with Taiwan**

- The title is the Taiwan Fellowship Act, which establishes a fellowship exchange program for U.S. federal government employees in all three branches of government to learn, live, and work in Taiwan for a length of up to two years. Upon successful conclusion of the program, fellows must fulfill a service requirement in their sponsoring branch of government where they will be equipped to advance U.S. values and interests in the Indo-Pacific region, with special emphasis on strengthening our strategic partnership with Taiwan.

#### **TITLE VII: Miscellaneous Provisions**

- The bill establishes policy on supporting Taiwan's position in bilateral and multilateral dialogues, advances the Taiwan Travel Act, and prohibits the undermining of U.S. policy in Taiwan by encouraging a code of conduct for engaging with the PRC.

#### **TITLE VIII: Sanctions Measures for Cross-Strait Stability**

- The bill creates a robust sanctions regime to deter individuals and entities in the People's Republic of China's (PRC), who whether themselves or through proxies, escalate hostilities in or against Taiwan including by: undermining, overthrowing, or dismantling the Government of Taiwan and interfering with Taiwan's territorial integrity.

#### **TITLE IX: Rule of Construction**

- Reaffirms that nothing in this Act shall be construed as entailing restoration of diplomatic relations with Taiwan or altering the United States Government's position on Taiwan's international status.