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Restricting First Use of Nuclear Weapons Act of 2017

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Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jul 11, 2017
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Committee Activity

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This bill prohibits the President from using the Armed Forces to conduct a first-use nuclear strike unless such strike is conducted pursuant to a congressional declaration of war expressly authorizing such strike.

"First-use nuclear strike" means a nuclear weapons attack against an enemy that is conducted without the President determining that the enemy has first launched a nuclear strike against the United States or a U.S. ally.

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