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## **BMTC Statement on Critical Mineral and Battery Provisions in Reconciliation Bill**

**Washington, D.C.** – Today, the House of Representatives passed H.R. 1, the "One Big, Beautiful Bill" Act. BMTC is encouraged to see that the reconciliation bill preserved the 45X Advanced Manufacturing Tax Credit for critical minerals and batteries and increased funding for critical mineral projects at the Department of Defense.

"Over the last several months, BMTC has met with dozens of Congressional offices to advocate on behalf of the 45X tax credit and for more funding at the Pentagon to help build these vital supply chains," said **BMTC spokesperson Ben Steinberg**. "The final reconciliation bill passed today aligns with those recommendations, promotes energy security, and helps derisk these critical industries from China. But there is still much work to be done, and BMTC looks forward to working with Congress and the Trump Administration to inform and build upon these provisions as they are implemented."

The onshoring of critical mineral and battery supply chains has never been more important as they are becoming increasingly integral to our nation's defense systems, transportation applications, grid and energy storage systems, data centers, industrial applications, and more. It is crucial that the United States establish strong critical material supply chains for advanced technologies to reduce our dependence on China. The failure to do so poses enormous national security, economic, and energy independence risks.

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