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To direct the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information to conduct a study and hold public meetings with respect to artificial intelligence systems, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HARDER of California introduced the following bill; which was 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 “Artificial Intelligence
5 Accountability Act” or the “AI Accountability Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES FOR ARTI-**
2 **FIICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS.**

3 (a) STUDY.—The Assistant Secretary of Commerce
4 for Communications and Information shall conduct a
5 study on accountability measures for artificial intelligence
6 systems, which shall include an analysis of the following:

7 (1) How accountability measures are being in-
8 corporated into artificial intelligence systems used by
9 communications networks (including telecommuni-
10 cations networks and social media platforms) and
11 electromagnetic spectrum sharing applications.

12 (2) How accountability measures for artificial
13 intelligence systems can facilitate the closing of the
14 digital divide and assist the promotion of digital in-
15 clusion in the United States.

16 (3) How accountability measures may reduce
17 risks related to artificial intelligence systems, includ-
18 ing cybersecurity risks.

19 (4) The effectiveness of the most commonly
20 used accountability measures for artificial intel-
21 ligence systems.

22 (5) Barriers and challenges related to the cre-
23 ation of adequate accountability measures for artifi-
24 cial intelligence systems.

25 (b) STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION.—In carrying out
26 the study required by subsection (a), the Assistant Sec-

1 retary shall hold public meetings to consult with relevant
2 stakeholders for the purpose of soliciting feedback on ac-
3 countability measures for artificial intelligence systems.

4 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary
6 shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce
7 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
8 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
9 report on the results of the study required by subsection
10 (a) that shall include—

11 (1) the results of the analysis required by sub-
12 section (a);

13 (2) a description of the feedback provided dur-
14 ing the meetings required by subsection (b); and

15 (3) recommendations for governmental and
16 nongovernmental actions to support effective ac-
17 countability measures for artificial intelligence sys-
18 tems.

19 (d) ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURE DEFINED.—In this
20 section, the term “accountability measure” means a mech-
21 anism, including an audit, an assessment, or a certifi-
22 cation, designed to provide assurance that a system is
23 trustworthy.

1 **SEC. 3. AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION ON ARTIFICIAL IN-**
2 **TELLIGENCE SYSTEMS.**

3 (a) MEETINGS.—The Assistant Secretary of Com-
4 merce for Communications and Information shall hold
5 public meetings to consult with relevant stakeholders (in-
6 cluding representatives of industry, academia, and con-
7 sumers) for the purpose of soliciting feedback on—

8 (1) the information that should be available to
9 consumers who interact with artificial intelligence
10 systems; and

11 (2) the most effective methods for making such
12 information available to consumers.

13 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary
15 shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce
16 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
17 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
18 report on the results of the meetings required by sub-
19 section (a) that shall include—

20 (1) a description of the feedback provided dur-
21 ing the meetings; and

22 (2) recommendations with respect to—

23 (A) the information that should be avail-
24 able to consumers who interact with artificial
25 intelligence systems; and

- 1 (B) the methods to be used for making
- 2 such information available to consumers.