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**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To study the impacts of artificial intelligence technology with respect to the security of telecommunications networks, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MENENDEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “AI for Secure Net-  
5 works Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGY AND THE**  
2 **SECURITY OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS NET-**  
3 **WORKS.**

4 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a study on  
5 the impacts of artificial intelligence technology with re-  
6 spect to the security of telecommunications networks,  
7 which shall include an analysis of—

8 (1) how artificial intelligence technology may be  
9 used to improve telecommunications networks, in-  
10 cluding by facilitating—

11 (A) real-time threat and malware detection  
12 and zero trust security solutions;

13 (B) increased resiliency and interoper-  
14 ability;

15 (C) improved energy efficiency; and

16 (D) integrated sensing and communica-  
17 tions;

18 (2) how artificial intelligence technology may be  
19 used in connection with Open Radio Access Network  
20 technology to increase the security of telecommuni-  
21 cations networks;

22 (3) how artificial intelligence technology may be  
23 used in connection with virtualized security tech-  
24 nology to increase the security of telecommuni-  
25 cations networks;

1           (4) how artificial intelligence technology may be  
2           used to improve network security controls through  
3           firewalls and network segmentation; and

4           (5) any risks artificial intelligence technology  
5           poses for the security of telecommunications net-  
6           works.

7           (b) CONSULTATION.—For purposes of the study con-  
8           ducted under subsection (a), the Secretary shall consult  
9           with the Federal Communications Commission and indus-  
10          try stakeholders with respect to the use of artificial intel-  
11          ligence technology to improve the security of telecommuni-  
12          cations networks, including with respect to research and  
13          development activities.

14          (c) REPORT.—

15           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
16           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
17           shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Com-  
18           merce of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
19           mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of  
20           the Senate a report on the results of the study con-  
21           ducted under subsection (a), which may include leg-  
22           islative recommendations.

23           (2) OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.—  
24           Prior to the submission of the report under para-  
25           graph (1), the Secretary shall provide an oppor-

1 tunity for public comment with respect to such re-  
2 port.

3 (d) SECRETARY DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
4 “Secretary” means the Secretary of Commerce, acting  
5 through the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Commu-  
6 nications and Information.