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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, to conduct a study identifying opportunities for improved participation by United States Government experts in the standardization activities of the Telecommunication Standardization Sector of the International Telecommunication Union.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 1260

To establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MORAN

Viz:

- 1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:
- 2 **SEC. ____ . FAIRNESS AND DUE PROCESS IN STANDARDS-**
- 3 **SETTING BODIES.**
- 4 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

1 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-
2 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-
3 gress” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
5 and Transportation of the Senate;

6 (B) the Committee on Armed Services of
7 the Senate;

8 (C) the Select Committee on Intelligence of
9 the Senate;

10 (D) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
11 the Senate;

12 (E) the Committee on Science, Space, and
13 Technology of the House of Representatives;

14 (F) the Committee on Armed Services of
15 the House of Representatives;

16 (G) the Permanent Select Committee on
17 Intelligence of the House of Representatives;
18 and

19 (H) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
20 the House of Representatives.

21 (2) ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—The term “Assist-
22 ant Secretary” means the Assistant Secretary of
23 Commerce for Communications and Information.

24 (b) STUDY.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days
2 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
3 retary of Commerce, acting through the Assistant
4 Secretary, shall submit to the appropriate commit-
5 tees of Congress the results of a study identifying
6 opportunities for improved participation by United
7 States Government experts in the standardization
8 activities of the Telecommunication Standardization
9 Sector of the International Telecommunication
10 Union.

11 (2) CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED.—In con-
12 ducting the study required under paragraph (1), the
13 Assistant Secretary shall—

14 (A) consult with—

15 (i) the Under Secretary of State for
16 Economic Growth, Energy, and the Envi-
17 ronment; and

18 (ii) the Chairman of the Federal Com-
19 munications Commission;

20 (B) engage with the International Digital
21 Economy and Telecommunication Advisory
22 Committee; and

23 (C) provide opportunities for all relevant
24 stakeholders in the United States to provide

1 meaningful input with respect to the conduct of
2 the study.

3 (3) CONTENTS.—The study required under
4 paragraph (1) shall include—

5 (A) the identification and assessment of
6 factors that serve as a barrier to the participa-
7 tion of United States Government experts in
8 the standards development activities of the
9 Telecommunication Standardization Sector of
10 the International Telecommunication Union, in-
11 cluding—

12 (i) budgetary constraints;

13 (ii) lack of awareness regarding the
14 strategic importance of, and support for,
15 participation in those activities;

16 (iii) limited knowledge about opportu-
17 nities for, and means of, participation with
18 respect to those activities;

19 (iv) the extent to which there are op-
20 portunities for cooperation with govern-
21 ment experts from like-minded foreign al-
22 lies with respect to those activities; and

23 (v) any other barriers to effective par-
24 ticipation in, and representation with re-
25 spect to, those activities; and

1 (B) recommendations regarding how the
2 barriers to increased and effective participation,
3 as identified under subparagraph (A), could be
4 addressed, which may include—

5 (i) strategies and tactics to ensure
6 long-term participation;

7 (ii) means for improved information
8 sharing and coordination—

9 (I) among Federal Government
10 participants;

11 (II) between the public and pri-
12 vate sectors; and

13 (III) between the Federal Gov-
14 ernment and like-minded foreign al-
15 lies;

16 (iii) identification of suitable leader-
17 ship opportunities for Federal Government
18 participants; and

19 (iv) any other recommendation that
20 the Assistant Secretary determines to be
21 appropriate.