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H. R. 4275

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 17, 2022

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To provide for certain reports on enrollment in the Lifeline
program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Ensuring Phone and
3 Internet Access Through Lifeline and Affordable
4 Connectivity Program Act of 2022”.

5 **SEC. 2. REPORTS ON ENROLLMENT IN CERTAIN PRO-**
6 **GRAMS.**

7 (a) ANNUAL REPORT ON ENROLLMENT IN LIFELINE
8 AND AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAMS THROUGH
9 QUALIFYING PROGRAMS.—Not later than 1 year after the
10 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter
11 for 2 calendar years after the calendar year during which
12 the first report is submitted under this subsection, the
13 Commission shall submit to Congress a report on—

14 (1) enrollment in the Lifeline program by indi-
15 viduals participating in each of the Lifeline quali-
16 fying programs, broken out by each of the Lifeline
17 qualifying programs, to the extent the Commission
18 holds or has access to the necessary data relating to
19 such enrollment; and

20 (2) enrollment in the Affordable Connectivity
21 Program by individuals participating in each of the
22 Affordable Connectivity Program qualifying pro-
23 grams, broken out by each of the Affordable
24 Connectivity Program qualifying programs, to the
25 extent the Commission holds or has access to the
26 necessary data relating to such enrollment.

1 (b) GAO STUDY AND REPORT ON EFFORTS TO PRO-
2 MOTE ENROLLMENT IN LIFELINE AND AFFORDABLE
3 CONNECTIVITY PROGRAMS.—Not later than 1 year after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
5 General of the United States shall submit a report to Con-
6 gress identifying outreach and publicity efforts to promote
7 participation and enrollment in the Lifeline program and,
8 separately, the Affordable Connectivity Program.

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM
11 QUALIFYING PROGRAM.—The term “Affordable
12 Connectivity Program qualifying program” means
13 the programs set forth in paragraphs (1), (3), (4),
14 and (6) of section 54.1800(j) of title 47, Code of
15 Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

16 (2) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
17 means the Federal Communications Commission.

18 (3) LIFELINE QUALIFYING PROGRAM.—The
19 term “Lifeline qualifying program” means the pro-
20 grams set forth in subsections (a)(2) and (b) of

1 section 54.409 of title 47, Code of Federal Regula-
2 tions, or any successor regulation.

Passed the House of Representatives November 17,
2022.

Attest: **CHERYL L. JOHNSON,**
Clerk.