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H. R. 10041

To direct the Secretary of Commerce to conduct a study on the impact of locating data center sites within or near military installations, rail hubs, airports, air cargo facilities, air traffic control facilities, and industrial zones, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 3, 2026

Mr. VINDMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Smart Data Center
5 Policy Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON IMPACT OF LOCATING DATA CENTER**
2 **SITES WITHIN OR NEAR COVERED LOCA-**
3 **TIONS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce shall
5 conduct a study on the impact of locating data center sites
6 within or near a covered location on affected industries.

7 (b) CONTENTS.—The study under subsection (a)
8 shall—

9 (1) assess the costs associated with constructing
10 new data centers within or near covered locations;

11 (2) assess the impact of locating data center
12 sites in affected covered locations on the energy grid,
13 environment, and water system;

14 (3) identify covered locations that have the
15 physical, water infrastructure, and energy grid ca-
16 pacity necessary to host new data centers; and

17 (4) identify potential Federal Government in-
18 centives to encourage the location of data centers
19 sites within or near covered locations.

20 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
21 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce
22 shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services and the
23 Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of
24 Representatives, and the Committee on Armed Services
25 and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of

1 the Senate, a report on the findings of the study conducted
2 under subsection (a).

3 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) COVERED LOCATION.—The term “covered
5 location” means a domestic military installation, rail
6 hub, airport, air cargo facility, air traffic control fa-
7 cility, or industrial zone.

8 (2) DOMESTIC MILITARY INSTALLATION.—The
9 term “domestic military installation” means a mili-
10 tary installation (as defined in section 2801 of title
11 10, United States Code) located in the United
12 States.

13 (3) INDUSTRIAL ZONE.—The term “industrial
14 zone” means an area that is designated or zoned for
15 industrial activities.

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