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[Report No. 119-616]

To provide for the transmission of emergency alerts by satellite, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2026

Mr. PFLUGER (for himself, Mrs. FLETCHER, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Mr. VEASEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

APRIL 15, 2026

Additional sponsor: Mr. HILL of Arkansas

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 12, 2026]

A BILL

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satellite, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Mystic Alerts Act”.*

5 **SEC. 2. TRANSMISSION OF EMERGENCY ALERTS BY SAT-**
 6 **ELLITE.**

7 *(a) SERVICE PROVIDER ELECTION.—*

8 *(1) REQUIRED FILING.—Not later than 60 days*
 9 *after the effective date of the final rule required to be*
 10 *issued under subsection (b), each covered service pro-*
 11 *vider shall file an election with the Federal Commu-*
 12 *nications Commission with respect to whether the*
 13 *provider intends to transmit emergency alerts by sat-*
 14 *ellite to the subscribers of the commercial mobile serv-*
 15 *ice of the provider who receive such service on devices*
 16 *capable of receiving such alerts, in addition to the*
 17 *transmission of emergency alerts under the Warning*
 18 *Alert, and Response Network Act.*

19 *(2) NOTIFICATION; AGREEMENT.—If a provider*
 20 *elects to transmit emergency alerts to subscribers by*
 21 *satellite under paragraph (1), the provider shall—*

22 *(A) notify the Commission of that election;*
 23 *and*

24 *(B) agree to transmit such alerts in a man-*
 25 *ner consistent with the technical standards, pro-*

1 *tocols, procedures, and other technical require-*
2 *ments implemented by the Commission.*

3 (3) *ELECTION NOT TO TRANSMIT.*—*If a provider*
4 *elects not to transmit emergency alerts by satellite*
5 *under paragraph (1), the provider shall provide no-*
6 *tice to new and existing subscribers described in such*
7 *paragraph of that election in the same manner that*
8 *is required under subparagraphs (B) and (C) of sec-*
9 *tion 602(b)(1) of the Warning, Alert, and Response*
10 *Network Act.*

11 (4) *CONSUMER CHOICE TO OPT OUT.*—*If a pro-*
12 *vider elects to transmit emergency alerts to sub-*
13 *scribers of such service by satellite under paragraph*
14 *(1), the provider shall prevent the device of any such*
15 *subscriber that opts out of receiving emergency alerts*
16 *pursuant to section 602(b)(2)(E) of the Warning,*
17 *Alert, and Response Network Act, or classes of such*
18 *alerts, from receiving such alerts by satellite.*

19 (5) *NO FEE FOR SERVICE.*—*If a provider elects*
20 *to transmit emergency alerts to subscribers by satellite*
21 *under paragraph (1), the provider may not impose a*
22 *separate or additional charge for such transmission*
23 *or capability.*

24 (b) *SATELLITE ALERT REGULATIONS.*—

1 (1) *NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING.*—Not
2 later than 6 months after the date of the enactment
3 of this Act, the Commission shall publish a Notice of
4 Proposed Rulemaking to establish any requirements
5 necessary to facilitate the satellite alerting capability
6 of covered service providers.

7 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—The requirements required
8 by paragraph (1) shall—

9 (A) take into account the capability of—

10 (i) satellites to transmit emergency
11 alerts; and

12 (ii) mobile devices to receive and dis-
13 play such alerts; and

14 (B) minimize the impact of emergency
15 alerting on other voice and data communica-
16 tions, including 9–1–1 communications.

17 (3) *FINAL RULE.*—Not later than 18 months
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Com-
19 mission shall, in consultation with the Secretary of
20 Homeland Security and the Administrator of the Fed-
21 eral Emergency Management Agency, issue a final
22 rule establishing the requirements described under
23 paragraph (1).

24 (4) *EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULE.*—

1 (A) *DATE.*—*The effective date of the final*
2 *rule described under paragraph (3) shall be the*
3 *later of—*

4 (i) *36 months after publication of the*
5 *final rule in the Federal Register; or*

6 (ii) *12 months after the Secretary of*
7 *Homeland Security and the Administrator*
8 *of the Federal Emergency Management*
9 *Agency implement any standards, protocols,*
10 *or procedures necessary to support the*
11 *transmission of emergency alerts from alert*
12 *originators to covered service providers, the*
13 *Secretary and the Administrator shall no-*
14 *tify the Commission of such implementa-*
15 *tion.*

16 (B) *NOTIFICATION.*—*The Secretary of*
17 *Homeland Security and the Administrator of the*
18 *Federal Emergency Management Agency shall*
19 *notify the Commission of the implementation of*
20 *any standards, protocols, or procedures described*
21 *under subparagraph (A)(ii) for the purpose of*
22 *determining the effective date of the final rule de-*
23 *scribed under paragraph (3).*

24 (c) *LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Any covered service provider
2 (including its officers, directors, employees, vendors,
3 and agents) that transmits emergency alerts by sat-
4 ellite and meets its obligations under this Act shall
5 not be liable to any subscriber to, or user of, such per-
6 son’s service or equipment for—

7 (A) any act or omission related to or any
8 harm resulting from the transmission of, or fail-
9 ure to transmit, an emergency alert by satellite;
10 or

11 (B) the release to a government agency or
12 entity, public safety, fire service, law enforce-
13 ment official, emergency medical service, or
14 emergency facility of subscriber information used
15 in connection with delivering such an alert.

16 (2) *ELECTION NOT TO TRANSMIT ALERTS BY SAT-*
17 *ELLITE.*—The election by a covered service provider
18 under subsection (a)(3) not to transmit emergency
19 alerts by satellite shall not, by itself, provide a basis
20 for liability against the provider (including its offi-
21 cers, directors, employees, vendors, and agents).

22 (d) *COVERED SERVICE PROVIDER.*—In this Act, “cov-
23 ered service provider” means a provider of commercial mo-
24 bile service that—

- 1 (1) *voluntarily elects to transmit emergency*
2 *alerts under section 602(b) of the Warning, Alert, and*
3 *Response Network Act (Public Law 109–347; 42*
4 *U.S.C. 1201); and*
- 5 (2) *makes satellite voice and data communica-*
6 *tions service available to subscribers of the commer-*
7 *cial mobile service of the provider.*

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