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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Mr. KAINE, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. WELCH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Defending Our Gov-
5 ernment’s Electronic Data: Bolstering Responsible Over-
6 sight and Safeguards Act” or the “DOGE BROS Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. RECORDS MAINTAINED ON INDIVIDUALS.**

8 Section 552a(i) of title 5, United States Code, is
9 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “\$5,000” and
 2 inserting “\$30,000”;

3 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “\$5,000” and
 4 inserting “\$30,000”; and

5 (3) in paragraph (3), by striking “\$5,000” and
 6 inserting “\$30,000”.

7 **SEC. 3. OBTAINMENT OF INFORMATION FROM ANY DE-**
 8 **PARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THE UNITED**
 9 **STATES USING A COMPUTER WITHOUT AU-**
 10 **THORIZATION.**

11 Section 1030 of title 18, United States Code, is
 12 amended—

13 (1) in subsection (c)(2)— (A) by striking
 14 “(2)(A) except as provided in subparagraph (B)”
 15 and inserting the following:

16 “(2) subject to subsection (k)—

17 “(A) except as provided in subparagraphs
 18 (B) and (C)”;

19 (B) in subparagraphs (B) and (C), by
 20 moving the margins 2 ems to the right; and

21 (2) by adding at the end the following:

22 “(k) HIGHER MAXIMUM FINE FOR INDIVIDUALS
 23 WHO OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM UNITED STATES DE-
 24 PARTMENTS OR AGENCIES.—In the case of an offense
 25 under subsection (a)(2)(B) committed by an individual,

1 subsection (c)(2) shall be applied by substituting ‘a fine
 2 of not more than \$750,000’ for ‘a fine under this title’
 3 each place it appears.”.

4 **SEC. 4. INCREASE IN FINES FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCLO-**
 5 **SURES OF INFORMATION HELD BY SOCIAL**
 6 **SECURITY ADMINISTRATION OR DEPART-**
 7 **MENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.**

8 Section 1106(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42
 9 U.S.C. 1306(a)(1)) is amended by striking “\$10,000” and
 10 inserting “\$25,000”.

11 **SEC. 5. INCREASE IN FINES FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCLO-**
 12 **SURES OF TAXPAYER INFORMATION.**

13 Paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) of section
 14 7213(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 are each
 15 amended by striking “\$5,000” each place it appears and
 16 inserting “\$25,000”.

17 **SEC. 6. WRONGFUL DISCLOSURE OF CENSUS DATA.**

18 Section 214 of title 13, United States Code, is
 19 amended by striking “\$5,000” and inserting “\$25,000”.

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