## 111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 5140

To require the Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy to conduct a study and to prepare a comprehensive national economic competitiveness and innovation strategy.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 26, 2010

Mr. Holt introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science and Technology, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, the Judiciary, Education and Labor, and Ways and Means, 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 "National Economic
- 5 Competitiveness and Innovation Strategy Act of 2010".

| 1  | SEC. 2. STUDY AND REPORT ON NATIONAL ECONOMIC            |
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| 2  | COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION.                          |
| 3  | (a) Study.—The Director of the White House Office        |
| 4  | of Science and Technology Policy shall conduct a com-    |
| 5  | prehensive study of the economic competitiveness and in- |
| 6  | novative capacity of the United States. Such study shall |
| 7  | consist of an analysis of various aspects of the United  |
| 8  | States economy and innovation infrastructure, including— |
| 9  | (1) the policies of the United States with re-           |
| 10 | spect to science, technology, education, and other       |
| 11 | matters designed to promote innovation;                  |
| 12 | (2) regional issues that influence economic com-         |
| 13 | petitiveness and local innovative capacity, including    |
| 14 | the role of State and local governments;                 |
| 15 | (3) the effectiveness of the organization of the         |
| 16 | Federal Government in supporting and promoting           |
| 17 | economic competitiveness;                                |
| 18 | (4) the business climate as it relates to eco-           |
| 19 | nomic competitiveness and domestic innovation, in-       |
| 20 | cluding tax and regulatory policy;                       |
| 21 | (5) the effects United States domestic trade             |
| 22 | policy and international trade policy have on the        |
| 23 | competitiveness of the United States and the United      |
| 24 | States economy as a whole;                               |
| 25 | (6) the effect the supply chains and manufac-            |
| 26 | turing capacity of each sector of the economy have       |

| 1  | on the 25 largest (as determined by the Director)        |
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| 2  | export sectors; and                                      |
| 3  | (7) immigration policies that affect higher edu-         |
| 4  | cation and employers of highly skilled employees.        |
| 5  | (b) COORDINATION.—The Director of the White              |
| 6  | House Office of Science and Technology Policy shall co-  |
| 7  | ordinate with the Economic Advisers and heads of Federal |
| 8  | agencies, as necessary, for purposes of this study.      |
| 9  | (c) Report.—Not later than one year after the date       |
| 10 | of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the White  |
| 11 | House Office of Science and Technology Policy shall sub- |
| 12 | mit to Congress and the President a report that in-      |
| 13 | cludes—  |
| 14 | (1) the findings of the study conducted under            |
| 15 | subsection (a);  |
| 16 | (2) a list of the type of measurements needed            |
| 17 | to evaluate economic competitiveness and innovation      |
| 18 | over time; and   |
| 19 | (3) a national economic competitiveness strat-           |
| 20 | egy for strengthening the innovative and competitive     |
| 21 | capacity of the Federal Government, State and local      |
| 22 | governments, institutions of higher education, and       |
| 23 | the private sector that includes—                        |
| 24 | (A) proposed legislative changes and ac-                 |
| 25 | tion;  |

| 1  | (B) proposed actions to be taken collec-         |
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| 2  | tively by executive agencies, including White    |
| 3  | House offices;                                   |
| 4  | (C) proposed actions to be taken by indi-        |
| 5  | vidual executive agencies, including White       |
| 6  | House offices; and                               |
| 7  | (D) a proposal for the monitoring and            |
| 8  | oversight of the progress of the Federal Govern- |
| 9  | ment with respect to improving conditions for    |
| 10 | the innovation occurring in and the competitive- |
| 11 | ness of the United States.                       |

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