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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 14, 2015

Ms. WARREN (for herself and Mr. CRAPO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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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. STUDY AND REPORT ON ENERGY SAVINGS BEN-**
4 **EFITS OF OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY PRO-**
5 **GRAMS AND SERVICES.**

6 (a) DEFINITION OF OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY PRO-
7 GRAMS AND SERVICES.—In this section, the term “oper-

1 ational efficiency programs and services” means programs
2 and services that use information and communications
3 technologies (including computer hardware, energy effi-
4 ciency software, and power management tools) to operate
5 buildings and equipment in the optimum manner at the
6 optimum times.

7 (b) STUDY AND REPORT.—Not later than 1 year
8 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
9 Energy shall conduct a study and issue a report that
10 quantifies the energy savings benefits of operational effi-
11 ciency programs and services for commercial, institutional,
12 industrial, and governmental entities, including Federal
13 agencies.

14 (c) MEASUREMENT AND VERIFICATION OF ENERGY
15 SAVINGS.—The report required under this section shall
16 recommend methodologies or protocols for utilities, utility
17 regulators, and Federal agencies to evaluate, measure, and
18 verify energy savings from operational efficiency programs
19 and services.

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