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To amend the Secure and Trusted Communications Network Reimbursement Program to include eligible telecommunications carriers and providers of educational broadband service, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BUTTERFIELD (for himself and Mr. KINZINGER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To amend the Secure and Trusted Communications Network Reimbursement Program to include eligible telecommunications carriers and providers of educational broadband service, 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 “Ensuring Network Se-
5 curity Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE SECURE AND TRUSTED COM-**
2 **MUNICATIONS NETWORKS REIMBURSEMENT**
3 **PROGRAM.**

4 Section 4 of the Secure and Trusted Communications
5 Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1603) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking
7 “2,000,000” and inserting “10,000,000”;

8 (2) in subsection (c)—

9 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),
11 by inserting “, as defined in section 9 or
12 as defined in the Report and Order of the
13 Commission in the matter of Protecting
14 Against National Security Threats to the
15 Communications Supply Chain Through
16 FCC Programs (FCC 19–121; WC Docket
17 No. 18–89; adopted November 22, 2019)
18 (in this section referred to as the ‘Report
19 and Order’) and subsequently reported to
20 the Commission in response to its Feb-
21 ruary 26, 2020, Supply Chain Data Collec-
22 tion, and” after “services”;

23 (ii) in clause (i), by inserting “were
24 reported to the Commission in response to
25 its February 26, 2020, Supply Chain Data
26 Collection or” after “services that”; and

1 (iii) in clause (ii), by inserting “were
2 not reported to the Commission in re-
3 sponse to its February 26, 2020, Supply
4 Chain Data Collection or” after “services
5 that”; and

6 (B) in paragraph (2)(A)—

7 (i) in clause (i), by inserting “was re-
8 ported to the Commission in response to
9 its February 26, 2020, Supply Chain Data
10 Collection or” after “service that”; and

11 (ii) in clause (ii), by inserting “was
12 not reported to the Commission in re-
13 sponse to its February 26, 2020, Supply
14 Chain Data Collection or” after “service
15 that”; and

16 (3) in subsection (d)(5)—

17 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “The
18 Commission” and inserting “Subject to sub-
19 paragraph (C), the Commission”; and

20 (B) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(C) PRIORITY FOR ALLOCATION.—On and
22 after the date of enactment of this subpara-
23 graph, the Commission shall allocate sufficient
24 reimbursement funds—

1 “(i) first, to approved applicants that
2 have 2,000,000 or fewer customers, for re-
3 moval and replacement of covered commu-
4 nications equipment, as defined in section
5 9;

6 “(ii) after funds have been allocated
7 to all applicants described in clause (i), to
8 approved applicants that are accredited
9 public or private non-commercial edu-
10 cational institutions providing their own
11 facilities-based education broadband serv-
12 ice, as defined in section 27.4 of title 47,
13 Code of Federal Regulations, or any suc-
14 cessor regulation, for removal and replace-
15 ment of covered communications equip-
16 ment, as defined in the Report and Order;
17 and

18 “(iii) after funds have been allocated
19 to all applicants described in clause (ii), to
20 approved applicants that are designated as
21 eligible telecommunications carriers under
22 section 214(e) of the Communications Act
23 of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 214(e)) or affiliates of
24 such a carrier, for removal and replace-
25 ment of covered communications equip-

1 ment, as defined in the Report and Order
2 and subsequently reported to the Commis-
3 sion in response to its February 26, 2020,
4 Supply Chain Data Collection.”.

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