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on scams targeting seniors, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 22, 2021

Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. MORAN, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

DECEMBER 16, 2021

Reported by Ms. CANTWELL, without amendment

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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 “Protecting Seniors
5 from Emergency Scams Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FTC REPORT ON SCAMS TARGETING SENIORS DUR-**
2 **ING EMERGENCIES.**

3 Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment
4 of this Act, the Federal Trade Commission (referred to
5 in this Act as the “Commission”) shall submit a report
6 to Congress including—

7 (1) a description of the number and types of
8 scams identified by the Commission as being tar-
9 geted at senior citizens; and

10 (2) policy recommendations to prevent such
11 scams, especially as such scams relate to future na-
12 tional emergencies.

13 **SEC. 3. INCREASING AWARENESS OF SCAMS TARGETING**
14 **SENIORS.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the
16 date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall up-
17 date its web portal to include the latest information,
18 searchable by region and type of scam, on scams targeting
19 seniors, including contacts for relevant law enforcement
20 and adult protective service agencies.

21 (b) COORDINATION WITH MEDIA OUTLETS AND LAW
22 ENFORCEMENT.—The Commission shall work with media
23 outlets and law enforcement to distribute the information
24 included in the web portal of the Commission pursuant
25 to subsection (a) to senior citizens and their families and
26 caregivers.

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