H. R. 3369

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2023

Mr. HARDER of California (for himself and Ms. KELLY of Illinois) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Artificial Intelligence Accountability Act” or the “AI Accountability Act”.
SEC. 2. STUDY ON ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS.

(a) Study.—The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information shall conduct a study on accountability measures for artificial intelligence systems, which shall include an analysis of the following:

(1) How accountability measures are being incorporated into artificial intelligence systems used by communications networks (including telecommunications networks and social media platforms) and electromagnetic spectrum sharing applications.

(2) How accountability measures for artificial intelligence systems can facilitate the closing of the digital divide and assist the promotion of digital inclusion in the United States.

(3) How accountability measures may reduce risks related to artificial intelligence systems, including cybersecurity risks.

(4) The effectiveness of the most commonly used accountability measures for artificial intelligence systems.

(5) Barriers and challenges related to the creation of adequate accountability measures for artificial intelligence systems.

(b) Stakeholder Consultation.—In carrying out the study required by subsection (a), the Assistant Sec-
retary shall hold public meetings to consult with relevant
stakeholders for the purpose of soliciting feedback on ac-
countability measures for artificial intelligence systems.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary
shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce
of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
report on the results of the study required by subsection
(a) that shall include—

(1) the results of the analysis required by sub-
section (a);

(2) a description of the feedback provided dur-
ing the meetings required by subsection (b); and

(3) recommendations for governmental and
nongovernmental actions to support effective ac-
countability measures for artificial intelligence sys-
tems.

(d) ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURE DEFINED.—In this
section, the term “accountability measure” means a mech-
anism, including an audit, an assessment, or a certifi-
cation, designed to provide assurance that a system is
trustworthy.
SEC. 3. AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS.

(a) MEETINGS.—The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information shall hold public meetings to consult with relevant stakeholders (including representatives of industry, academia, and consumers) for the purpose of soliciting feedback on—

(1) the information that should be available to consumers who interact with artificial intelligence systems; and

(2) the most effective methods for making such information available to consumers.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report on the results of the meetings required by subsection (a) that shall include—

(1) a description of the feedback provided during the meetings; and

(2) recommendations with respect to—

(A) the information that should be available to consumers who interact with artificial intelligence systems; and
(B) the methods to be used for making such information available to consumers.