

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 6032, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

115TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 6032

To direct the Secretary of Commerce to conduct a study and submit to Congress a report on the state of the internet-connected devices industry in the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 7, 2018

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

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 “State of Modern Appli-
5 cation, Research, and Trends of IoT Act” or the “SMART
6 IoT Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY AND REPORT ON INTERNET OF THINGS.**

2 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Commerce shall con-
3 duct a study on the state of the internet-connected devices
4 industry (commonly known as the “Internet of Things”)
5 in the United States. In conducting the study, the Sec-
6 retary shall—

7 (1) develop and conduct a survey of the inter-
8 net-connected devices industry through outreach to
9 participating entities as appropriate, including—

10 (A) a list of the industry sectors that de-
11 velop internet-connected devices;

12 (B) a list of public-private partnerships fo-
13 cused on promoting the adoption and use of
14 internet-connected devices, as well as industry-
15 based bodies, including international bodies,
16 which have developed, or are developing, man-
17 datory or voluntary standards for internet-con-
18 nected devices;

19 (C) the status of the industry-based man-
20 datory or voluntary standards identified in sub-
21 paragraph (B); and

22 (D) a description of the ways entities or
23 industry sectors develop, use, or promote the
24 use of internet-connected devices;

1 (2) develop a comprehensive list of Federal
2 agencies with jurisdiction over the entities and in-
3 dustry sectors identified under paragraph (1);

4 (3) identify which Federal agency or agencies
5 listed under paragraph (2) each entity or industry
6 sector interacts with;

7 (4) identify all interagency activities that are
8 taking place among the Federal agencies listed
9 under paragraph (2), such as working groups or
10 other coordinated efforts;

11 (5) develop a brief description of the jurisdic-
12 tion and expertise of the Federal agencies listed
13 under paragraph (2) with regard to such entities
14 and industry sectors;

15 (6) identify all regulations, guidelines, manda-
16 tory standards, voluntary standards, and other poli-
17 cies implemented by each of the Federal agencies
18 identified under paragraph (2), as well as all guide-
19 lines, mandatory standards, voluntary standards,
20 and other policies implemented by industry-based
21 bodies; and

22 (7) identify Federal Government resources that
23 exist for consumers and small businesses to evaluate
24 internet-connected devices.

1 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
3 shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce
4 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
5 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
6 report that contains—

7 (1) the results of the study conducted under
8 subsection (a); and

9 (2) recommendations of the Secretary for
10 growth of the United States economy through the
11 secure advancement of internet-connected devices.

12 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term “Federal
14 agency” means an agency, as defined in section 551
15 of title 5, United States Code.

16 (2) INTERNET-CONNECTED DEVICE.—The term
17 “internet-connected device” means a physical object
18 that—

19 (A) is capable of connecting to the inter-
20 net, either directly or indirectly through a net-
21 work, to communicate information at the direc-
22 tion of an individual; and

23 (B) has computer processing capabilities
24 for collecting, sending, receiving, or analyzing
25 data.

1 **SEC. 3. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.**

2 No additional funds are authorized to be appro-
3 priated to carry out this Act. This Act shall be carried
4 out using amounts otherwise authorized.