



MEMORANDUM

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To: Members, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology
From: Majority Staff
Re: Communications and Technology Subcommittee Markup

I. INTRODUCTION

On Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. (ET), the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology will hold a markup in 2123 Rayburn House Office Building to consider the following legislation:

- **H.R. 2864**, the Countering CCP Drones Act (Stefanik)
- **H.R. 820**, the Foreign Adversary Communications Transparency Act (Stefanik)
- **H.R. 1513**, the Future Uses of Technology Upholding Reliable and Enhancing Networks (FUTURE Networks) Act (Matsui)
- **H.R. 7589**, the Removing Our Unsecure Technologies to Ensure Reliability and Security (ROUTERS) Act (Latta)

II. BACKGROUND ON LEGISLATION

1. **H.R. 2864, the Countering CCP Drones Act (Rep. Stefanik)**

H.R. 2864 is led by Representative Elise Stefanik (R-NY). This bill would amend the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act to add certain equipment and services provided by DJI Technologies to the list of covered communications equipment or services published. Under the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act, covered communications equipment or services pose an unacceptable risk to national security.

2. **H.R. 820, the Foreign Adversary Communications Transparency Act (Rep. Stefanik)**

H.R. 820 is led by Representative Elise Stefanik (R-NY). This bill would require the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to publish annually a list of entities that hold a license or other authorization granted by the FCC and have ties to specified countries. An entity must be listed if the government of People's Republic of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia (or an organization subject to the jurisdiction of any of those governments) owns an equity interest in the entity. The FCC may list additional entities that do not meet these requirements after consulting with an appropriate national security agency.

3. H.R. 1513, the Future Uses of Technology Upholding Reliable and Enhancing Networks (FUTURE Networks) Act (Rep. Matsui)

H.R. 1513 is led by Ranking Member Doris Matsui (D-CA). This bill would require the FCC to establish a 6G Task Force to develop a report on sixth-generation wireless technology, including the status of the standards development and possible uses of such technology. The task force shall be composed of representatives from trusted companies in the communications industry, trusted public interest organizations or academic institutions, and federal, state, local, and tribal governments.

4. H.R. 7589, Removing Our Unsecure Technologies to Ensure Reliability and Security (ROUTERS) Act (Rep. Latta)

H.R. 7589 is led by Chairman Robert E. Latta (R-OH). This bill would require the Secretary of Commerce, through the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, to conduct a study of the national security risks posed by routers, modems, or devices that combine both, that are designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied by persons owned by, controlled by or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of the People's Republic of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia.

III. STAFF CONTACTS

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