

**Opening Statement of Chairman Brett Guthrie
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology
“Subcommittee Markup of Six Bipartisan bills”
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Good afternoon, and thank you, Chairman Hudson, for holding this important markup.

Today we are considering six bipartisan bills, including the SAT Streamlining Act, which I introduced a few months ago with Ranking Member Pallone.

While I look forward to moving this legislation to the full committee for consideration, we are continuing our work to thoughtfully update this bill. I appreciate the stakeholders who have provided constructive feedback. We are also working with the FCC on some updates to reflect the Space Modernization item adopted in July.

By advancing the SAT Streamlining Act, we can do our part to ensure that the United States continues to lead in the space economy. I want to thank Ranking Member Pallone for his partnership on this legislation and look forward to getting this bill across the finish line.

We are also considering the GUARD Act today, which places new restrictions on humanoid and quadru-ped robots linked to CCP-aligned robotics companies and adds them to the Covered List. I appreciate the Administration's recognition of this threat with their recent update to the Covered List. I do have some questions, however, about how an overly broad approach could hurt American supply chains and our ability to compete against China in the long term.

That's why this bill's carve-out for non-adversarial countries is essential for continuing our collaboration with like-minded partners and allies.

I urge all of my colleagues to support the bills before us today.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and I yield back.