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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3399

To study the security of the Soo Locks and effects on the supply chain resulting from a malfunction or failure of the Soo Locks, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JAMES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Soo Locks Security
5 and Economic Reporting Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SECURITY AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS ON**
2 **SUPPLY CHAIN OF SOO LOCKS, MICHIGAN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-
5 tation, in coordination with the Commandant of the Coast
6 Guard and the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the
7 appropriate committees of Congress a report that—

8 (1) highlights any security deficiencies that
9 exist with respect to the Soo Locks in Sault Ste.
10 Marie, Michigan;

11 (2) highlights the supply chain, logistical, and
12 economic effects that would result in the event of a
13 malfunction or failure of the Soo Locks and how
14 such effects would impact the region surrounding
15 the Soo Locks and the United States;

16 (3) highlights any potential domestic or inter-
17 national threats to the integrity of the Soo Locks;

18 (4) details the current security structure of the
19 Coast Guard and any other relevant Federal, State,
20 or local agency to protect the Soo Locks; and

21 (5) provides any recommendations, and cost es-
22 timates for such recommendations, for—

23 (A) strengthening the security of the Soo
24 Locks; and

25 (B) reducing the impacts to the supply
26 chain of the United States that would result in

1 the event of a malfunction or failure of the Soo
2 Locks.

3 (b) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-
4 FINED.—In this Act, the term “appropriate committees of
5 Congress” means—

6 (1) the Committee on Transportation and In-
7 frastructure of the House of Representatives;

8 (2) the Committee on Commerce, Transpor-
9 tation, and Science of the Senate; and

10 (3) the Committee on Environment and Public
11 Works of the Senate.