

**Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 1934, With an Amendment**

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

117<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1934

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2021

Mr. McCAUL (for himself, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, and Mr. LANGEVIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## 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 “Promoting United  
5 States International Leadership in 5G Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

7        It is the sense of Congress that—

8            (1) the United States and its allies and part-  
9            ners should maintain participation and leadership at  
10           international standards-setting bodies for 5th and  
11           future generations mobile telecommunications sys-  
12           tems and infrastructure;

13           (2) the United States should work with its allies  
14           and partners to encourage and facilitate the develop-  
15           ment of secure supply chains and networks for 5th  
16           and future generations mobile telecommunications  
17           systems and infrastructure; and

18           (3) the maintenance of a high standard of secu-  
19           rity in telecommunications and cyberspace between  
20           the United States and its allies and partners is a na-  
21           tional security interest of the United States.

1 **SEC. 3. ENHANCING REPRESENTATION AND LEADERSHIP**  
2 **OF THE UNITED STATES AT INTERNATIONAL**  
3 **STANDARDS-SETTING BODIES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall establish an  
5 interagency working group to work with allies and inter-  
6 national partners to increase and align their engagement  
7 at multilateral international organizations, such as the  
8 International Telecommunications Union (ITU), that ad-  
9 dress communications networks, standards, and security,  
10 including 5th and future generations mobile telecommuni-  
11 cations and infrastructure.

12 (b) INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.—The inter-  
13 agency working group described in subsection (a) shall—

14 (1) be chaired by the Secretary of State or a  
15 designee of the Secretary of State; and

16 (2) consist of the head (or designee) of the De-  
17 partment of Commerce and each Federal depart-  
18 ment or agency the President determines appro-  
19 priate.

20 (c) FUNCTION.—The Secretary of State shall coordi-  
21 nate with the members of the interagency working group  
22 to develop and implement a strategy for diplomatic en-  
23 gagement with allies and partners and monitor engage-  
24 ment by the Government of the People's Republic of China  
25 and entities under its ownership, control, or influence at

1 multilateral international organizations described in sub-  
2 section (a).

3 (d) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the interagency working  
5 group shall provide to the Committee on Foreign Affairs  
6 and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the  
7 House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign  
8 Relations and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
9 Transportation of the Senate a briefing that includes—

10 (1) a strategy for diplomatic engagement with  
11 allies and partners to share security risk information  
12 and findings pertaining to equipment that supports  
13 or is used in 5th and future generations mobile tele-  
14 communications systems and infrastructure and co-  
15 operation on mitigating such risks; and

16 (2) a discussion of China's presence and activi-  
17 ties at multilateral international organizations de-  
18 scribed in subsection (a) relevant to 5th and future  
19 generation mobile telecommunications systems and  
20 infrastructure, including information on the dif-  
21 ferences in the scope and scale of China's engage-  
22 ment, as well as the success rate of proposals by  
23 Chinese entities adopted into standards at such or-  
24 ganizations compared to the engagement and success  
25 rate of proposals adopted by the United States or its

1 allies and partners, and noting any mandatory do-  
2 mestic Chinese standards that are adopted at such  
3 organizations.