

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
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TO THE COMMITTEE PRINT RELATING
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Strike section 3321, and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 3321. PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY TECHNOLOGY**
2 **TASK FORCE.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after
4 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Com-
5 merce shall establish a public health emergency technology
6 task force to facilitate public-private partnerships to pre-
7 pare for and respond to public health emergencies.

8 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The public health emergency
9 technology task force shall be composed of Federal agen-
10 cies and departments, including—

11 (1) the Secretary of Commerce, including—

12 (A) the National Telecommunications and
13 Information Administration; and

14 (B) the National Institute of Standards
15 and Technology; —

16 (2) the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
17 ices, including—

18 (A) the Centers for Disease Control and
19 Prevention;

1 (B) the United States Public Health Serv-
2 ice; and

3 (C) the National Institute of Health;

4 (3) the Federal Trade Commission; and

5 (4) the Federal Communications Commission;

6 (5) Nongovernmental persons, including—

7 (A) information and technology companies,
8 including manufacturers, suppliers, service pro-
9 viders, and vendors;

10 (B) startup technology companies;

11 (C) think tanks and academia;

12 (D) data privacy, security, and analytics
13 experts; and

14 (E) any other nongovernmental person
15 with relevant expertise, as determined by the
16 Secretary of Commerce.

17 (c) DUTIES.—(1) In General.—The task force estab-
18 lished under subsection (a) shall consider issues relating
19 to the preparation and response to public health emer-
20 gencies, including—

21 (1) the use of technology to assist in the re-
22 sponse to public health emergencies;

23 (2) analyzing and utilizing data to track trends
24 to develop predictive models about public health
25 emergencies;

1 (3) the use of data to deliver targeted mes-
2 saging and relevant information related to the prep-
3 aration and response to public health emergencies;

4 (4) the creation and use of Internet websites or
5 mobile applications designed to prepare and respond
6 to public health emergencies, including—

7 (A) providing the public with information
8 about the public health emergency, including in-
9 formation about testing locations relevant to the
10 public health emergency and information to as-
11 sist in healthcare triage;

12 (B) tracking government responses, includ-
13 ing testing; and

14 (C) providing information about the capac-
15 ity of the healthcare system to respond to such
16 public health emergency; and

17 (5) facilitating international communication and
18 global responses to public health emergencies;

19 (6) identifying any Federal rule, regulation,
20 guideline, policy, and other Federal activity acting as
21 a barrier to preparing and responding to public
22 health emergencies; and

23 (7) any other issue the public health emergency
24 technology task force determines appropriate for

1 preparing and responding to public health emer-
2 gencies.

3 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall
4 submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
5 Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on En-
6 ergy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a re-
7 port that includes the following—

8 (1) a coordinated plan of action to respond to
9 future threats to public health, including public
10 health emergencies;

11 (2) recommendations for legislation to imple-
12 ment such plan or any other legislative recommenda-
13 tions to prepare for and respond to future threats to
14 public health, including public health emergencies;
15 and

16 (3) an annual report detailing the public health
17 emergency technology task force's activities pursuant
18 to this Act.

19 (e) TERMS.—Each member of the public health emer-
20 gency technology task force shall serve for a term of 3
21 years. Every 3 years the Secretary shall assess the mem-
22 bership and make changes to the public health emergency
23 technology task force as the Secretary deems appropriate.

1 (f) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy occurring in the mem-
2 bership of the public health emergency technology task
3 force—

4 (1) shall be filled in the same manner as the
5 original appointment for the position being vacated;
6 and

7 (2) shall not affect the power of the remaining
8 members to execute the duties of the public health
9 emergency technology task force.

10 (g) PAYMENT AND EXPENSES.—Members of the pub-
11 lic health emergency technology task force shall serve
12 without pay, except travel and per diem will be paid each
13 member for meetings called by the Secretary of Com-
14 merce.

