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To amend the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Organization Act to provide for the establishment of an electromagnetic spectrum sharing prototyping program and an integrated spectrum automation enterprise strategy, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. LATTA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Studying How to Har-
5 ness Airwave Resources Efficiently Act of 2019” or the
6 “SHARE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. NTIA ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM SHARING**
2 **PROTOTYPING PROGRAM AND AUTOMATION**
3 **STRATEGY.**

4 Part A of the National Telecommunications and In-
5 formation Administration Organization Act (47 U.S.C.
6 901 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing:

8 **“SEC. 106. ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM SHARING**
9 **PROTOTYPING PROGRAM AND AUTOMATION**
10 **STRATEGY.**

11 “(a) PROTOTYPING PROGRAM.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
13 the date of the enactment of the Studying How to
14 Harness Airwave Resources Efficiently Act of 2019,
15 the Assistant Secretary, in consultation with the
16 Commission, shall establish a program to facilitate
17 the prototyping of innovative technologies and tech-
18 niques that facilitate the sharing of the same cov-
19 ered electromagnetic spectrum by more than one
20 Federal entity.

21 “(2) SHARING TEST BED.—Not later than 15
22 months after the date of the enactment of the
23 Studying How to Harness Airwave Resources Effi-
24 ciently Act of 2019, the Assistant Secretary, in con-
25 sultation with the Commission, shall, under the pro-
26 gram established under paragraph (1), establish at

1 least one test bed to demonstrate the potential for
2 the dynamic sharing of the same covered electro-
3 magnetic spectrum by more than one Federal entity.

4 “(b) DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATED SPECTRUM AU-
5 TOMATION ENTERPRISE STRATEGY.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months
7 after the date of the enactment of the Studying How
8 to Harness Airwave Resources Efficiently Act of
9 2019, the Assistant Secretary, in consultation with
10 the Commission, shall, under the program estab-
11 lished under subsection (a)(1), propose, after notice
12 and opportunity for comment, an integrated spec-
13 trum automation enterprise strategy to address the
14 management of covered electromagnetic spectrum in
15 order to facilitate the sharing of such spectrum by
16 more than one Federal entity.

17 “(2) MATTERS ENCOMPASSED.—In developing
18 the strategy under paragraph (1), the Assistant Sec-
19 retary shall consider, at a minimum, whether to pro-
20 pose in the strategy—

21 “(A) changes in policy or to the law, in-
22 cluding legislative and regulatory changes; and

23 “(B) using—

24 “(i) databases;

25 “(ii) artificial intelligence;

1 “(iii) spectrum management proc-
2 esses;

3 “(iv) public-facing application pro-
4 gramming interfaces and online tools;

5 “(v) automatic frequency coordination
6 systems, including standard interfaces and
7 data exchange formats and requirements;

8 “(vi) spectrum enforcement require-
9 ments;

10 “(vii) listen-before-talk;

11 “(viii) environmental sensing capabili-
12 ties; and

13 “(ix) electromagnetic spectrum com-
14 patibility analyses.

15 “(3) UPDATES TO STRATEGY.—Not later than
16 2 years after the strategy under paragraph (1) is
17 proposed, and every 2 years thereafter, the Assistant
18 Secretary shall update such strategy.

19 “(c) BIENNIAL REPORT.—Not later than 18 months
20 after the date of the enactment of the Studying How to
21 Harness Airwave Resources Efficiently Act of 2019, and
22 in the last quarter of each even-numbered calendar year
23 thereafter, the Assistant Secretary, in consultation with
24 the Commission, shall submit to the Committee on Energy
25 and Commerce of the House of Representatives and the

1 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of
2 the Senate a report containing the status and results of
3 the program established under subsection (a), including
4 the status and results of the test bed established under
5 paragraph (2) of such subsection and the strategy devel-
6 oped under subsection (b).

7 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
8 is authorized to be appropriated to the Assistant Secretary
9 to carry out this section \$50,000,000. Such amounts are
10 authorized to remain available until expended.

11 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 “(1) COVERED ELECTROMAGNETIC SPEC-
13 TRUM.—The term ‘covered electromagnetic spec-
14 trum’ means electromagnetic spectrum allocated for
15 exclusive or primary use by Federal entities.

16 “(2) FEDERAL ENTITY.—The term ‘Federal en-
17 tity’ has the meaning given such term in section
18 113(l).”.

19 **SEC. 3. FCC AND NTIA REPORT ON EXPANDING SPECTRUM**
20 **SHARING TECHNIQUES AND SHARING STRAT-**
21 **EGIES.**

22 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the conclu-
23 sion of the first auction of Priority Access Licenses in the
24 3.5 gigahertz band, the Federal Communications Commis-
25 sion and the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Com-

1 munications and Information, in consultation with the Di-
2 rector of the National Institute of Standards and Tech-
3 nology, after notice and opportunity for comment, shall
4 submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the
5 House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
6 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report
7 that assesses and provides recommendations for expanding
8 upon and improving spectrum sharing techniques devel-
9 oped for use in the 3.5 gigahertz band, or other spectrum
10 sharing strategies, that includes the following consider-
11 ations:

12 (1) How to promote an ecosystem of devices
13 employing such sharing techniques or such other
14 sharing strategies.

15 (2) How to incentivize spectrum users to em-
16 ploy such sharing techniques or such other sharing
17 strategies.

18 (3) How to ensure that any Federal protection
19 zones and corresponding technical rules and power
20 levels are no more protective than necessary.

21 (4) The applicability of such sharing techniques
22 or such other sharing strategies to frequencies be-
23 tween 3100 megahertz and 3550 megahertz, inclu-
24 sive, and frequencies between 7125 megahertz and
25 8400 megahertz, inclusive, to the extent any portion

1 of such frequencies cannot be cleared in a reasonable
2 amount of time.

3 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in sub-
4 section (a)(4) may be construed to require that every spec-
5 trum sharing technique developed for use in the 3.5
6 gigahertz band be recommended for use in other bands.

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