

June 11, 2018

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection

FROM: Committee Majority Staff

RE: Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection Markup

I. INTRODUCTION

The Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection will meet in open markup session on Wednesday, June 13, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., **or 15 minutes after the conclusion of the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology markup, whichever is later**, in 2123 Rayburn House Office Building to consider the following:

- H.R. 6032, State of Modern Application, Research, and Trends of IoT Act

In keeping with Chairman Walden's announced policy, Members must submit any amendments they may have two hours before they are offered during this markup. Members may submit amendments by email to peter.kielty@mail.house.gov. Any information with respect to an amendment's parliamentary standing (e.g., its germaneness) should be submitted at this time as well.

II. H.R. 6032, STATE OF MODERN APPLICATION, RESEARCH, AND TRENDS OF IOT ACT

The Internet of Things (IoT) cuts across many industry sectors and multiple Federal agency jurisdictions. Currently, many of the efforts and information that exist about the IoT ecosystem are siloed, both in private industry and at the Federal level. Whether it be industry-based best practices and standards or Federal policy recommendations and guidelines, no single-source compilation of this information exists. A compendium of this activity, both at the industry and Federal level, will better inform public and privacy industry stakeholders. The Subcommittee held a legislative hearing on May 22, 2018, to review a staff draft of the State of Modern Application, Research, and Trends of IoT Act, or the SMART IoT Act, which directs the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to conduct a survey of the IoT ecosystem.

Specifically, H.R. 6032 requires the Secretary to conduct a study on the state of the internet-connected devices industry through outreach to the private sector and to develop a list of industry sectors that develop internet-connected devices; a list of public-private partnerships that are focused on IoT, as well as industry-based bodies that have developed or are developing industry standards; a status update on those industry-based standards; and a description of the ways entities develop, use, or promote the use of IoT devices.

H.R. 6032 also requires the Secretary to develop a list of Federal agencies with jurisdiction over entities in the IoT industry; identify which Federal agencies entities in the IoT industry interact with; identify all Federal interagency activities on IoT issues; develop a brief description of the jurisdiction and expertise of the Federal agencies who assert jurisdiction over entities in the IoT industry; identify all regulations, guidelines, mandatory standards, voluntary standards and other policies that currently exist; and identify Federal Government resources that exist for consumers and small businesses. Additionally, H.R. 6032 requires the Secretary to submit a report to Congress within 1 year of enactment with the results of the study and recommendations for the growth of the U.S. economy through the secure advancement of internet-connected devices.

III. STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any questions regarding this hearing, please contact Melissa Froelich or Bijan Koohmaraie of the Committee staff at (202) 225-2927.