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To establish an artificial intelligence commission, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

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other purposes.

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 “National AI Commis-
5 sion Act”.

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

7 It is the sense of Congress that this Act shall not
8 be intended to preclude any legislation Congress may deem

1 necessary relating to Artificial Intelligence in the interim
2 period before the reports of the Commission are released.

3 **SEC. 3. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE COMMISSION.**

4 (a) LOCATION.—There is established in the legislative
5 branch an independent commission relating to artificial in-
6 telligence (AI), to be known as the “National AI Commis-
7 sion” (in this section referred to as the “Commission”).

8 (b) COMPOSITION.—The Commission shall be com-
9 prised of 20 commissioners, of whom 10 shall be appointed
10 by each party to ensure bipartisanship. Members of the
11 Commission shall elect two Members to serve as co-chairs.
12 One co-chair shall be a Democratic appointee and one co-
13 chair shall be a Republican appointee. Members shall be
14 appointed as follows:

15 (1) The President, in consultation with relevant
16 cabinet secretaries, shall appoint eight Members,
17 four of whom shall be chosen from the lists de-
18 scribed in subsection (c).

19 (2) The senior most member of Republican
20 leadership of the House of Representatives, in con-
21 sultation with relevant committee leaders of the
22 same party, shall appoint three members.

23 (3) The senior most member of Democratic
24 leadership of the House of Representatives, in con-

1 sultation with relevant committee leaders of the
2 same party, shall appoint three members.

3 (4) The senior most member of Republican
4 leadership of the Senate, in consultation with rel-
5 evant committee leaders of the same party, shall ap-
6 point three members.

7 (5) The senior most member of Democratic
8 leadership of the Senate, in consultation with rel-
9 evant committee leaders of the same party, shall ap-
10 point three members.

11 (c) PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTEES.—To carry out para-
12 graph (1) of subsection (b), the senior most member of
13 leadership of the House of Representatives opposite the
14 Administration and the senior most member of leadership
15 of the Senate opposite the Administration shall each sub-
16 mit to the President a list of five individuals to serve on
17 the Commission, from which the President shall, in ac-
18 cordance with the consultation required under such para-
19 graph, appoint two Members from each such list.

20 (d) QUALIFICATIONS.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Members of the Commission
22 shall have a demonstrated background in at least
23 one of the following:

24 (A) Computer science or a technical back-
25 ground in artificial intelligence.

1 (B) Civil society, including relating to the
2 Constitution, civil liberties, ethics, and the cre-
3 ative community.

4 (C) Industry and workforce.

5 (D) Government, including national secu-
6 rity.

7 (2) LIMITATION.—None of the backgrounds
8 specified in paragraph (1) may constitute a majority
9 of Members of the Commission.

10 (e) TERMS.—Members shall be appointed for the life
11 of the Commission. A vacancy in the Commission shall not
12 affect its powers, and shall be filled in the same manner
13 as the original appointment was made.

14 (f) APPOINTMENTS.—Members of the Commission
15 shall be appointed not later than 45 days after the date
16 of the enactment of this Act. The Commission shall hold
17 its initial meeting on or before the date that is 60 days
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

19 (g) FOCUS.—The Commission shall—

20 (1) in general, conduct its work to ensure,
21 through its review and recommendations as de-
22 scribed in this subsection, that through regulation
23 the United States is mitigating the risks and pos-
24 sible harms of artificial intelligence, protecting the
25 United States leadership in artificial intelligence in-

1 novation and the opportunities such innovation may
2 bring, and ensuring that the United States takes a
3 leading role in establishing necessary, long-term
4 guardrails to ensure that artificial intelligence is
5 aligned with values shared by all Americans;

6 (2) review the Federal Government's current
7 approach to artificial intelligence oversight and regu-
8 lation, including—

9 (A) how such oversight and regulation is
10 distributed across agencies;

11 (B) the capacity of agencies to address
12 challenges relating to such oversight and regu-
13 lation; and

14 (C) alignment among agencies in their ap-
15 proaches to such oversight and regulation;

16 (3) recommend any governmental structures
17 that may be needed to oversee and regulate artificial
18 intelligence systems, including the feasibility of an
19 oversight structure that can oversee powerful artifi-
20 cial intelligence systems with a general purpose
21 through a careful, evidence-based approach; and

22 (4) build upon previous Federal efforts and
23 international best practices and efforts to develop a
24 binding risk-based approach to regulate and oversee
25 artificial intelligence applications through identifying

1 applications with unacceptable risks, high or limited
2 risks, and minimal risks.

3 (h) REPORTS.—

4 (1) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than six
5 months after the appointment of all Members to the
6 Commission, the Commission shall submit to Con-
7 gress and the President an interim report containing
8 its findings. The interim report shall include pro-
9 posals for any urgent regulatory or enforcement ac-
10 tions.

11 (2) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than six months
12 after the submission of the interim report under
13 paragraph (1), the Commission shall submit to Con-
14 gress and the President a final report containing its
15 findings and recommendations. The final report
16 shall constitute the Commission's findings and rec-
17 ommendations for a comprehensive, binding regu-
18 latory framework.

19 (3) FOLLOW-UP REPORT.—Not later than one
20 year after the submission of the final report under
21 paragraph (2), the Commission shall submit to Con-
22 gress and the President a follow-up report con-
23 taining any new findings and revised recommenda-
24 tions. The follow-up report shall be reserved for nec-
25 essary adjustments to the final report and actions

1 pertaining to further developments since the final re-
2 port's publication.

3 (i) STAFF.—The Commission shall appoint a staff di-
4 rector, as well as such other personnel as may be nec-
5 essary. Federal employees may be detailed to serve as
6 Commission staff while retaining the rights and status of
7 their regular employment.

8 (j) INFORMATION AND COOPERATION FROM FED-
9 ERAL AGENCIES.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—All Federal departments,
11 agencies, commissions, offices, and other entities
12 shall provide information, suggestions, estimates,
13 statistics, and other materials to the Commission
14 upon request, in accordance with applicable law.

15 (2) INABILITY TO OBTAIN DOCUMENTS OR TES-
16 TIMONY.—In the event the Commission is unable to
17 obtain testimony or documents needed to conduct its
18 work, the Commission shall notify the committees of
19 Congress of jurisdiction and appropriate investiga-
20 tive authorities.

21 (k) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall terminate
22 not later than 30 days after the submission of the follow-
23 up report under subsection (h)(3).