117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4275

AN ACT

To provide for certain reports on enrollment in the Lifeline program, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Ensuring Phone and
- 3 Internet Access Through Lifeline and Affordable
- 4 Connectivity Program Act of 2022".
- 5 SEC. 2. REPORTS ON ENROLLMENT IN CERTAIN PRO-
- 6 GRAMS.
- 7 (a) Annual Report on Enrollment in Lifeline
- 8 AND AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAMS THROUGH
- 9 QUALIFYING PROGRAMS.—Not later than 1 year after the
- 10 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter
- 11 for 2 calendar years after the calendar year during which
- 12 the first report is submitted under this subsection, the
- 13 Commission shall submit to Congress a report on—
- (1) enrollment in the Lifeline program by indi-
- viduals participating in each of the Lifeline quali-
- fying programs, broken out by each of the Lifeline
- 17 qualifying programs, to the extent the Commission
- holds or has access to the necessary data relating to
- such enrollment; and
- 20 (2) enrollment in the Affordable Connectivity
- 21 Program by individuals participating in each of the
- 22 Affordable Connectivity Program qualifying pro-
- grams, broken out by each of the Affordable
- 24 Connectivity Program qualifying programs, to the
- extent the Commission holds or has access to the
- 26 necessary data relating to such enrollment.

- 1 (b) GAO STUDY AND REPORT ON EFFORTS TO PRO-2 MOTE ENROLLMENT IN LIFELINE AND AFFORDABLE
- 3 Connectivity Programs.—Not later than 1 year after
- 4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
- 5 General of the United States shall submit a report to Con-
- 6 gress identifying outreach and publicity efforts to promote
- 7 participation and enrollment in the Lifeline program and,
- 8 separately, the Affordable Connectivity Program.
- 9 (c) Definitions.—In this section:
- 10 (1) AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM
 11 QUALIFYING PROGRAM.—The term "Affordable
 12 Connectivity Program qualifying program" means
- the programs set forth in paragraphs (1), (3), (4),
- 14 and (6) of section 54.1800(j) of title 47, Code of
- 15 Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.
- 16 (2) COMMISSION.—The term "Commission" 17 means the Federal Communications Commission.
- 18 (3) LIFELINE QUALIFYING PROGRAM.—The 19 term "Lifeline qualifying program" means the pro-20 grams set forth in subsections (a)(2) and (b) of sec-

- 1 tion 54.409 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations,
- 2 or any successor regulation.

Passed the House of Representatives November 17, 2022.

Attest:

Clerk.

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