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H. R. 1218

To require the Federal Communications Commission to incorporate data on maternal health outcomes into its broadband health maps.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 23, 2021

Mr. BUTTERFIELD (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER) 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 “Data Mapping to Save
5 Moms’ Lives Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MAPPING BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY AND MATER-**
7 **NAL HEALTH OUTCOMES.**

8 (a) INCORPORATION OF MATERNAL HEALTH OUT-
9 COME DATA.—The Federal Communications Commission

1 shall incorporate data on maternal health outcomes for not
2 less than 1 year postpartum, as recommended by the Cen-
3 ters for Disease Control and Prevention under subsection
4 (b), into the most recently available broadband health
5 mapping tools of the Commission.

6 (b) CONSULTATION WITH CDC.—The Federal Com-
7 munications Commission shall consult with the Centers for
8 Disease Control and Prevention regarding the maternal
9 health outcomes that should be incorporated into the most
10 recently available broadband health mapping tools of the
11 Commission under subsection (a).

12 **SEC. 3. GAO STUDY.**

13 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
14 of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States
15 shall study and submit to Congress a report on—

16 (1) the effectiveness of internet connectivity in
17 reducing maternal morbidity rates; and

18 (2) who is best suited to take responsibility for
19 ensuring better internet connectivity to reduce ma-
20 ternal morbidity rates.

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