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To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to submit to Congress a report on improving supply chain shortfalls and infrastructure needs at wholesale produce markets, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TORRES of New York introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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 “Wholesale Produce
5 Market Review Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE REPORT ON IMPROV-**
2 **ING SUPPLY CHAIN SHORTFALLS AND INFRA-**
3 **STRUCTURE NEEDS AT WHOLESALE**
4 **PRODUCE MARKETS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agri-
7 culture, in consultation with the entities specified in sub-
8 section (c) shall submit to the appropriate congressional
9 committees a report on—

10 (1) the 5 largest wholesale produce markets by
11 annual sales and amount of goods moved for the
12 preceding 4 calendar years; and

13 (2) a representative sample of 8 wholesale
14 produce markets that are not among the largest
15 wholesale produce markets.

16 (b) CONTENTS.—The report under subsection (a)
17 shall contain the following:

18 (1) An analysis of the supply chain shortfalls in
19 each wholesale produce market identified under sub-
20 section (a), which shall include an analysis of the
21 following:

22 (A) State of repair of infrastructure, in-
23 cluding roads, food storage units, and refueling
24 stations.

25 (B) Sustainability infrastructure, including
26 the following:

1 (i) Carbon emission reduction tech-
2 nology.

3 (ii) On-site green refueling stations.

4 (iii) Disaster preparedness.

5 (C) Recovery systems, including coordina-
6 tion with State and Federal agencies.

7 (2) A description of any actions the Secretary
8 recommends be taken as a result of the analysis
9 under paragraph (1).

10 (3) Recommendations, as appropriate, for
11 wholesale produce market owners and operators, and
12 State and local entities to improve the supply chain
13 shortfalls identified under paragraph (1).

14 (4) Proposals, as appropriate, for legislative ac-
15 tions and funding needed to improve the supply
16 chain shortfalls.

17 (c) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report under
18 subsection (a), the Secretary of Agriculture shall consult
19 with the Secretary of Transportation, wholesale produce
20 market owners and operators, State and local entities, and
21 other agencies or stakeholders, as determined appropriate
22 by the Secretary.

23 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—
24 For the purposes of this section, the term “appropriate
25 congressional committees” means the Committee on Agri-

1 culture and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
2 structure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
3 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the
4 Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the
5 Senate.

