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To require certain agencies in the executive branch of the Federal government to conduct a study on duplicative functions, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CAWTHORN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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. STUDY ON DUPLICATIVE FUNCTIONS.**

4 (a) STUDY.—The head of each covered agency shall
5 conduct a study to—

6 (1) identify functions of such covered agency
7 that duplicate the functions of any other covered
8 agency;

9 (2) calculate the annual cost of such duplicative
10 functions; and

1 (3) analyze solutions for eliminating such dupli-
2 cative functions, including identifying which covered
3 agency is best suited to have sole responsibility for
4 such duplicative functions.

5 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
6 of enactment of this Act, the heads of the covered agencies
7 shall jointly submit to the appropriate congressional com-
8 mittees a consolidated report on the results of the studies
9 conducted under subsection (a).

10 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) COVERED AGENCY.—The term “covered
12 agency” means—

13 (A) the Department of Agriculture;

14 (B) the Department of Commerce;

15 (C) the Department of Energy;

16 (D) the Department of Health and Human
17 Services;

18 (E) the Department of Housing and Urban
19 Development;

20 (F) the Department of the Interior;

21 (G) the Department of Labor;

22 (H) the Department of Transportation;

23 and

24 (I) the Environmental Protection Agency.

1 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
2 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
3 mittees” means—

4 (A) with respect to the House of Rep-
5 resentatives—

6 (i) the Committee on Agriculture;

7 (ii) the Committee on Appropriations;

8 (iii) the Committee on Education and
9 Labor;

10 (iv) the Committee on Energy and
11 Commerce;

12 (v) the Committee on Financial Serv-
13 ices;

14 (vi) the Committee on Natural Re-
15 sources;

16 (vii) the Committee on Oversight and
17 Reform;

18 (viii) the Committee on Science,
19 Space, and Technology; and

20 (ix) the Committee on Transportation
21 and Infrastructure; and

22 (B) with respect to the Senate—

23 (i) the Committee on Agriculture, Nu-
24 trition, and Forestry;

25 (ii) the Committee on Appropriations;

1 (iii) the Committee on Banking,
2 Housing, and Urban Affairs;

3 (iv) the Committee on Commerce,
4 Science, and Transportation;

5 (v) the Committee on Energy and
6 Natural Resources;

7 (vi) the Committee on Environment
8 and Public Works;

9 (vii) the Committee on Health, Edu-
10 cation, Labor, and Pensions; and

11 (viii) the Committee on Homeland Se-
12 curity and Governmental Affairs.

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