

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3325

To require the Federal Communications Commission to provide evidence of certain robocall violations to the Attorney General.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 18, 2019

Mr. MCEACHIN (for himself, Mr. OLSON, Mr. KIM, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. BRINDISI, and Mr. KUSTOFF of Tennessee) 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 “Locking Up
5 Robocallers Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF EVIDENCE OF CERTAIN ROBOCALL**
7 **VIOLATIONS TO ATTORNEY GENERAL.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—If the Chief of the Enforcement
9 Bureau of the Commission obtains evidence that suggests

1 a willful, knowing, and repeated robocall violation with an
2 intent to defraud, cause harm, or wrongfully obtain any-
3 thing of value, the Chief of the Enforcement Bureau shall
4 provide such evidence to the Attorney General.

5 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually
7 thereafter, the Commission shall publish on its website
8 and submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce
9 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
10 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
11 report that—

12 (1) states the number of instances during the
13 preceding year in which the Chief of the Enforce-
14 ment Bureau provided the evidence described in sub-
15 section (a) to the Attorney General; and

16 (2) contains a general summary of the types of
17 robocall violations to which such evidence relates.

18 (c) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
19 tion shall be construed to affect the ability of the Commis-
20 sion or the Chief of the Enforcement Bureau under other
21 law—

22 (1) to refer a matter to the Attorney General;
23 or

24 (2) to pursue or continue pursuit of an enforce-
25 ment action in a matter with respect to which the

1 Chief of the Enforcement Bureau provided the evi-
2 dence described in subsection (a) to the Attorney
3 General.

4 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
6 means the Federal Communications Commission.

7 (2) ROBOCALL VIOLATION.—The term “robocall
8 violation” means a violation of subsection (b) or (e)
9 of section 227 of the Communications Act of 1934
10 (47 U.S.C. 227).

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