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on maternal health outcomes into its broadband health maps.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 3, 2021

Ms. ROSEN (for herself, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KING, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. PETERS, Ms. SINEMA, Mrs. CAPITO, and Ms. HIRONO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

DECEMBER 17, 2021

Reported by Ms. CANTWELL, without amendment

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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”.

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

3 (a) INCORPORATION OF MATERNAL HEALTH OUT-
4 COME DATA.—The Federal Communications Commission
5 shall incorporate data on maternal health outcomes for not
6 less than 1 year postpartum, as recommended by the Cen-
7 ters for Disease Control and Prevention under subsection
8 (b), into the most recently available broadband health
9 mapping tools of the Commission.

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

16 **SEC. 3. GAO STUDY.**

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

20 (1) the effectiveness of internet connectivity in
21 reducing maternal morbidity rates; and

22 (2) who is best suited to take responsibility for
23 ensuring better internet connectivity to reduce ma-
24 ternal morbidity rates.

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