

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle A of title XVII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 17__ . ANALYSIS OF CERTAIN HUMANOID OR QUAD-**
2 **RUPED ROBOTICS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP-**
3 **MENT OR SERVICES.**

4 (a) **EVALUATION OF COVERED ROBOTICS COMMU-**
5 **NICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES.—**

6 (1) **PLACEMENT ON COVERED LIST.—**Not later
7 than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this
8 Act, an appropriate national security agency shall
9 determine if covered robotics communications equip-
10 ment or services pose an unacceptable risk to the
11 national security of the United States or the security
12 and safety of United States persons.

13 (2) **ADDITION TO COVERED LIST.—**If the ap-
14 propriate national security agency does not make a
15 determination as required by paragraph (1) within 1
16 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
17 Commission shall add all covered robotics commu-
18 nications equipment or services to the covered list.

1 (3) EXCEPTION.—Paragraph (2) does not apply
2 with respect to any covered robotics communications
3 equipment or service that an appropriate national
4 security agency determines, not later than 1 year
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, does not
6 pose an unacceptable risk to the national security of
7 the United States or the security and safety of
8 United States persons.

9 (b) EFFECT OF OTHER DETERMINATIONS.—

10 (1) DETERMINED TO POSE UNACCEPTABLE
11 RISK.—Not later than 30 days after an appropriate
12 national security agency determines that any covered
13 robotics communications equipment or service poses
14 an unacceptable risk to the national security of the
15 United States or the security and safety of United
16 States persons—

17 (A) the Commission shall place such cov-
18 ered robotics communications equipment or
19 service on the covered list; and

20 (B) the appropriate national security agen-
21 cy shall submit to the appropriate congressional
22 committees a report on the determination of
23 such agency, which shall be submitted in un-
24 classified form but may contain a classified
25 annex.

1 (2) DETERMINED NOT TO POSE UNACCEPTABLE
2 RISK.—If an appropriate national security agency
3 determines that any covered robotics communica-
4 tions equipment or service does not pose an unac-
5 ceptable risk to the national security of the United
6 States or the security and safety of United States
7 persons—

8 (A) not later than 30 days after the deter-
9 mination, such agency shall submit to the ap-
10 propriate congressional committees and all
11 other appropriate national security agencies a
12 report on the determination, which shall be sub-
13 mitted in unclassified form but may contain a
14 classified annex; and

15 (B) not later than 180 days after the de-
16 termination, all other appropriate national secu-
17 rity agencies shall review the determination and
18 shall submit to the appropriate congressional
19 committees a report on the respective deter-
20 minations of such agencies, which shall be sub-
21 mitted in unclassified form but may contain a
22 classified annex.

23 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

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

4 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
5 Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-
6 mental Affairs, the Committee on Commerce,
7 Science, and Transportation, and the Select
8 Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

9 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
10 Committee on Homeland Security, the Com-
11 mittee on Energy and Commerce, and the Per-
12 manent Select Committee on Intelligence of the
13 House of Representatives.

14 (2) APPROPRIATE NATIONAL SECURITY AGEN-
15 CY.—The term “appropriate national security agen-
16 cy” has the meaning given such term in section 9
17 of the Secure and Trusted Communications Net-
18 works Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1608).

19 (3) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
20 means the Federal Communications Commission.

21 (4) COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERV-
22 ICE.—The term “communications equipment or serv-
23 ice” has the meaning given such term in section 9
24 of the Secure and Trusted Communications Net-
25 works Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1608).

1 (5) COUNTRY OF CONCERN.—The term “country of concern” has the meaning given such term in
2 section 1(m)(1) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a(m)(1)).

3 (6) COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY.—The term
4 “covered foreign entity” means—

5 (A) an entity that—

6 (i) is headquartered in, has its principal place of business in, or is organized
7 under the laws of a country of concern; or

8 (ii) is subject to the influence, direction, or control of the government of a
9 country of concern;

10 (B) an affiliate or wholly or partially owned subsidiary of an entity described in sub-
11 paragraph (A);

12 (C) an entity in a joint venture with an entity described in subparagraph (A); and

13 (D) an entity with which an entity described in subparagraph (A) has a technology
14 sharing or licensing agreement.

15 (7) COVERED LIST.—The term “covered list” means the list of covered communications equipment
16 or services published by the Commission under sec-

1 tion 2(a) of the Secure and Trusted Communica-
2 tions Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1601(a)).

3 (8) COVERED ROBOTICS COMMUNICATIONS
4 EQUIPMENT OR SERVICE.—The term “covered robot-
5 ics communications equipment or service” means
6 any humanoid or quadruped robot, or software de-
7 signed to control such robot that is a communica-
8 tions equipment or service produced or provided by
9 a covered foreign entity.

10 (9) HUMANOID OR QUADRUPED ROBOT.—The
11 term “humanoid or quadruped robot” means—

12 (A) a mechanical device that—

13 (i) possesses a body structure that
14 uses 1 or more articulated limbs, or a com-
15 bination of articulated limbs and wheels,
16 for locomotion, navigation, or movement on
17 the ground; and

18 (ii) operates at a distance from a
19 human operator or supervisor autono-
20 mously, or semi-autonomously, based on
21 commands or response to sensor data or
22 any combination thereof; and

23 (B) any external device designed to control
24 a mechanical device described in subparagraph
25 (A).

1 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
2 tion shall be construed to apply to any country that is
3 not a country of concern, including a North Atlantic Trea-
4 ty Organization (NATO) ally and a Major Non-NATO
5 Ally.

