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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require States to include supporting the physical security, cybersecurity, and resilience of local distribution systems in State energy security plans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LATTA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Securing Community
5 Upgrades for a Resilient Grid Act” or the “SECURE Grid
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONSIDERATION OF THE SECURITY OF LOCAL DIS-**
2 **TRIBUTION SYSTEMS IN STATE ENERGY SE-**
3 **CURITY PLANS.**

4 Section 366 of the Energy Policy and Conservation
5 Act (42 U.S.C. 6326) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
7 following:

8 “(3) LOCAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.—The term
9 ‘local distribution system’ means any energy infra-
10 structure owned and operated by an electric utility
11 at a voltage of 35 kilovolts or less.”;

12 (2) in subsection (b)(2)—

13 (A) by inserting “, and suppliers to,” after
14 “owners and operators of”;

15 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

16 (i) in clause (i), by inserting “, includ-
17 ing energy supply disruptions resulting
18 from increased demand on the electric
19 grid, deteriorating assets, and physical and
20 cybersecurity threats” after “State”; and

21 (ii) by adding at the end the fol-
22 lowing:

23 “(iii) to adopt secure, innovative energy
24 technology that assists in carrying out methods
25 under clauses (i) and (ii); and”;

26 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) by amending paragraph (3) to read as
2 follows:

3 “(3) identify potential hazards to each energy
4 sector or system, including—

5 “(A) weather-related threats and
6 vulnerabilities;

7 “(B) risks and liabilities posed by human
8 error or mismanagement;

9 “(C) attacks on the physical security of
10 local distribution systems; and

11 “(D) cybersecurity threats and
12 vulnerabilities;”;

13 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4)
14 through (6) as paragraphs (5) through (7), re-
15 spectively; and

16 (C) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
17 following:

18 “(4) provide methods of responding to and miti-
19 gating potential hazards identified pursuant to para-
20 graph (3), including—

21 “(A) public-private partnerships;

22 “(B) the use of different or new financing
23 models; and

24 “(C) the adoption of secure, innovative en-
25 ergy technologies;”;

1 (4) in subsection (d)(3)—

2 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking
3 “and” at the end;

4 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as
5 subparagraph (C); and

6 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
7 the following:

8 “(B) supplying products necessary for the
9 reliable and resilient function of the bulk-power
10 system and local distribution systems; and”;

11 (5) in subsection (h), by inserting “, local dis-
12 tribution system,” after “electric utility”; and

13 (6) by striking subsection (i).