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AN ACT

To amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991
to authorize activities for support of networking and
information technology research, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Advancing America’s
3 Networking and Information Technology Research and
4 Development Act of 2012”.

5 **SEC. 2. PROGRAM PLANNING AND COORDINATION.**

6 (a) PERIODIC REVIEWS.—Section 101 of the High-
7 Performance Computing Act of 1991 (15 U.S.C. 5511)
8 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 section:

10 “(d) PERIODIC REVIEWS.—The agencies identified in
11 subsection (a)(3)(B) shall—

12 “(1) periodically assess the contents and fund-
13 ing levels of the Program Component Areas and re-
14 structure the Program when warranted, taking into
15 consideration any relevant recommendations of the
16 advisory committee established under subsection (b);
17 and

18 “(2) ensure that the Program includes large-
19 scale, long-term, interdisciplinary research and de-
20 velopment activities, including activities described in
21 section 104.”.

22 (b) DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC PLAN.—Section
23 101 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5511) is amended further by
24 adding after subsection (d), as added by subsection (a)
25 of this Act, the following new subsection:

26 “(e) STRATEGIC PLAN.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The agencies identified in
2 subsection (a)(3)(B), working through the National
3 Science and Technology Council and with the assist-
4 ance of the National Coordination Office described
5 under section 102, shall develop, within 12 months
6 after the date of enactment of the Advancing Amer-
7 ica’s Networking and Information Technology Re-
8 search and Development Act of 2012, and update
9 every 3 years thereafter, a 5-year strategic plan to
10 guide the activities described under subsection
11 (a)(1).

12 “(2) CONTENTS.—The strategic plan shall
13 specify near-term and long-term objectives for the
14 Program, the anticipated time frame for achieving
15 the near-term objectives, the metrics to be used for
16 assessing progress toward the objectives, and how
17 the Program will—

18 “(A) foster the transfer of research and
19 development results into new technologies and
20 applications for the benefit of society, including
21 through cooperation and collaborations with
22 networking and information technology re-
23 search, development, and technology transition
24 initiatives supported by the States;

1 “(B) encourage and support mechanisms
2 for interdisciplinary research and development
3 in networking and information technology, in-
4 cluding through collaborations across agencies,
5 across Program Component Areas, with indus-
6 try, with Federal laboratories (as defined in
7 section 4 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology
8 Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3703)), and
9 with international organizations;

10 “(C) address long-term challenges of na-
11 tional importance for which solutions require
12 large-scale, long-term, interdisciplinary research
13 and development;

14 “(D) place emphasis on innovative and
15 high-risk projects having the potential for sub-
16 stantial societal returns on the research invest-
17 ment;

18 “(E) strengthen all levels of networking
19 and information technology education and
20 training programs to ensure an adequate, well-
21 trained workforce; and

22 “(F) attract more women and underrep-
23 resented minorities to pursue postsecondary de-
24 grees in networking and information tech-
25 nology.

1 “(3) NATIONAL RESEARCH INFRASTRUC-
2 TURE.—The strategic plan developed in accordance
3 with paragraph (1) shall be accompanied by mile-
4 stones and roadmaps for establishing and maintain-
5 ing the national research infrastructure required to
6 support the Program, including the roadmap re-
7 quired by subsection (a)(2)(E).

8 “(4) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The entities in-
9 volved in developing the strategic plan under para-
10 graph (1) shall take into consideration the rec-
11 ommendations—

12 “(A) of the advisory committee established
13 under subsection (b); and

14 “(B) of the stakeholders whose input was
15 solicited by the National Coordination Office, as
16 required under section 102(b)(3).

17 “(5) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Director of
18 the National Coordination Office shall transmit the
19 strategic plan required under paragraph (1) to the
20 advisory committee, the Committee on Commerce,
21 Science, and Transportation of the Senate, and the
22 Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the
23 House of Representatives.”.

1 (c) ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTOR.—
2 Section 101(a)(2) of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5511(a)(2)) is
3 amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (A) by inserting “edu-
5 cation,” before “and other activities”;

6 (2) by redesignating subparagraphs (E) and
7 (F) as subparagraphs (F) and (G), respectively; and

8 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the fol-
9 lowing new subparagraph:

10 “(E) encourage and monitor the efforts of the
11 agencies participating in the Program to allocate the
12 level of resources and management attention nec-
13 essary to ensure that the strategic plan under sub-
14 section (e) is developed and executed effectively and
15 that the objectives of the Program are met;”.

16 (d) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—Section 101(b)(1) of
17 such Act (15 U.S.C. 5511(b)(1)) is amended—

18 (1) after the first sentence, by inserting the fol-
19 lowing: “The co-chairs of the advisory committee
20 shall meet the qualifications of committee member-
21 ship and may be members of the President’s Council
22 of Advisors on Science and Technology.”; and

23 (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking “high-per-
24 formance” and inserting “high-end”.

1 (e) REPORT.—Section 101(a)(3) of such Act (15
2 U.S.C. 5511(a)(3)) is amended—

3 (1) in subparagraph (C)—

4 (A) by striking “is submitted,” and insert-
5 ing “is submitted, the levels for the previous
6 fiscal year,”; and

7 (B) by striking “each Program Component
8 Area;” and inserting “each Program Compo-
9 nent Area and research area supported in ac-
10 cordance with section 104;”;

11 (2) in subparagraph (D)—

12 (A) by striking “each Program Component
13 Area,” and inserting “each Program Compo-
14 nent Area and research area supported in ac-
15 cordance with section 104;”;

16 (B) by striking “is submitted,” and insert-
17 ing “is submitted, the levels for the previous
18 fiscal year,”; and

19 (C) by striking “and” after the semicolon;

20 (3) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as sub-
21 paragraph (G); and

22 (4) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the fol-
23 lowing new subparagraphs:

24 “(E) include a description of how the objectives
25 for each Program Component Area, and the objec-

1 tives for activities that involve multiple Program
2 Component Areas, relate to the objectives of the
3 Program identified in the strategic plan required
4 under subsection (e);

5 “(F) include—

6 “(i) a description of the funding required
7 by the National Coordination Office to perform
8 the functions specified under section 102(b) for
9 the next fiscal year by category of activity;

10 “(ii) a description of the funding required
11 by such Office to perform the functions speci-
12 fied under section 102(b) for the current fiscal
13 year by category of activity; and

14 “(iii) the amount of funding provided for
15 such Office for the current fiscal year by each
16 agency participating in the Program; and”.

17 (f) DEFINITION.—Section 4 of such Act (15 U.S.C.
18 5503) is amended—

19 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through
20 (7) as paragraphs (2) through (8), respectively;

21 (2) by inserting before paragraph (2), as so re-
22 designated, the following new paragraph:

23 “(1) ‘cyber-physical systems’ means physical or
24 engineered systems whose networking and informa-
25 tion technology functions and physical elements are

1 deeply integrated and are actively connected to the
2 physical world through sensors, actuators, or other
3 means to perform monitoring and control func-
4 tions;”;

5 (3) in paragraph (3), as so redesignated, by
6 striking “high-performance computing” and insert-
7 ing “networking and information technology”;

8 (4) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—

9 (A) by striking “high-performance com-
10 puting” and inserting “networking and infor-
11 mation technology”; and

12 (B) by striking “supercomputer” and in-
13 serting “high-end computing”;

14 (5) in paragraph (6), as so redesignated, by
15 striking “network referred to as” and all that fol-
16 lows through the semicolon and inserting “network,
17 including advanced computer networks of Federal
18 agencies and departments;”; and

19 (6) in paragraph (7), as so redesignated, by
20 striking “National High-Performance Computing
21 Program” and inserting “networking and informa-
22 tion technology research and development program”.

1 **SEC. 3. LARGE-SCALE RESEARCH IN AREAS OF NATIONAL**
2 **IMPORTANCE.**

3 Title I of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5511) is amended by
4 adding at the end the following new section:

5 **“SEC. 104. LARGE-SCALE RESEARCH IN AREAS OF NA-**
6 **TIONAL IMPORTANCE.**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Program shall encourage
8 agencies identified in section 101(a)(3)(B) to support
9 large-scale, long-term, interdisciplinary research and de-
10 velopment activities in networking and information tech-
11 nology directed toward application areas that have the po-
12 tential for significant contributions to national economic
13 competitiveness and for other significant societal benefits.
14 Such activities, ranging from basic research to the dem-
15 onstration of technical solutions, shall be designed to ad-
16 vance the development of research discoveries. The advi-
17 sory committee established under section 101(b) shall
18 make recommendations to the Program for candidate re-
19 search and development areas for support under this sec-
20 tion.

21 “(b) CHARACTERISTICS.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Research and development
23 activities under this section shall—

24 “(A) include projects selected on the basis
25 of applications for support through a competi-
26 tive, merit-based process;

1 “(B) involve collaborations among re-
2 searchers in institutions of higher education
3 and industry, and may involve nonprofit re-
4 search institutions and Federal laboratories, as
5 appropriate;

6 “(C) when possible, leverage Federal in-
7 vestments through collaboration with related
8 State initiatives; and

9 “(D) include a plan for fostering the trans-
10 fer of research discoveries and the results of
11 technology demonstration activities, including
12 from institutions of higher education and Fed-
13 eral laboratories, to industry for commercial de-
14 velopment.

15 “(2) COST-SHARING.—In selecting applications
16 for support, the agencies shall give special consider-
17 ation to projects that include cost sharing from non-
18 Federal sources.

19 “(3) AGENCY COLLABORATION.—If 2 or more
20 agencies identified in section 101(a)(3)(B), or other
21 appropriate agencies, are working on large-scale re-
22 search and development activities in the same area
23 of national importance, then such agencies shall
24 strive to collaborate through joint solicitation and se-

1 lection of applications for support and subsequent
2 funding of projects.

3 “(4) INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CEN-
4 TERS.—Research and development activities under
5 this section may be supported through interdiscipli-
6 nary research centers that are organized to inves-
7 tigate basic research questions and carry out tech-
8 nology demonstration activities in areas described in
9 subsection (a). Research may be carried out through
10 existing interdisciplinary centers, including those au-
11 thorized under section 7024(b)(2) of the America
12 COMPETES Act (Public Law 110–69; 42 U.S.C.
13 1862o–10).”.

14 **SEC. 4. CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS.**

15 (a) ADDITIONAL PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS.—Sec-
16 tion 101(a)(1) of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5511(a)(1)) is
17 amended—

18 (1) in subparagraph (H), by striking “and”
19 after the semicolon;

20 (2) in subparagraph (I), by striking the period
21 at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

22 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
23 paragraphs:

24 “(J) provide for increased understanding of the
25 scientific principles of cyber-physical systems and

1 improve the methods available for the design, devel-
2 opment, and operation of cyber-physical systems
3 that are characterized by high reliability, safety, and
4 security; and

5 “(K) provide for research and development on
6 human-computer interactions, visualization, and big
7 data.”.

8 (b) TASK FORCE.—Title I of such Act (15 U.S.C.
9 5511) is amended further by adding after section 104, as
10 added by section 3 of this Act, the following new section:

11 **“SEC. 105. UNIVERSITY/INDUSTRY TASK FORCE.**

12 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days
13 after the date of enactment of the Advancing America’s
14 Networking and Information Technology Research and
15 Development Act of 2012, the Director of the National
16 Coordination Office shall convene a task force to explore
17 mechanisms for carrying out collaborative research and
18 development activities for cyber-physical systems, includ-
19 ing the related technologies required to enable these sys-
20 tems, through a consortium or other appropriate entity
21 with participants from institutions of higher education,
22 Federal laboratories, and industry.

23 “(b) FUNCTIONS.—The task force shall—

24 “(1) develop options for a collaborative model
25 and an organizational structure for such entity

1 under which the joint research and development ac-
2 tivities could be planned, managed, and conducted
3 effectively, including mechanisms for the allocation
4 of resources among the participants in such entity
5 for support of such activities;

6 “(2) propose a process for developing a re-
7 search and development agenda for such entity, in-
8 cluding guidelines to ensure an appropriate scope of
9 work focused on nationally significant challenges and
10 requiring collaboration and to ensure the develop-
11 ment of related scientific and technological mile-
12 stones;

13 “(3) define the roles and responsibilities for the
14 participants from institutions of higher education,
15 Federal laboratories, and industry in such entity;

16 “(4) propose guidelines for assigning intellec-
17 tual property rights and for the transfer of research
18 results to the private sector; and

19 “(5) make recommendations for how such enti-
20 ty could be funded from Federal, State, and non-
21 governmental sources.

22 “(c) COMPOSITION.—In establishing the task force
23 under subsection (a), the Director of the National Coordi-
24 nation Office—

1 “(1) shall appoint an equal number of individ-
2 uals with knowledge and expertise in cyber-physical
3 systems from—

4 “(A) institutions of higher education, in-
5 cluding minority-serving institutions and com-
6 munity colleges; and

7 “(B) industry; and

8 “(2) may appoint not more than 2 individuals
9 from Federal laboratories.

10 “(d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
11 of enactment of the Advancing America’s Networking and
12 Information Technology Research and Development Act of
13 2012, the Director of the National Coordination Office
14 shall transmit to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
15 and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on
16 Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Rep-
17 resentatives a report describing the findings and rec-
18 ommendations of the task force.

19 “(e) TERMINATION.—The task force shall terminate
20 upon transmittal of the report required under subsection
21 (d).

22 “(f) COMPENSATION.—Members of the task force
23 shall serve without compensation.”.

1 **SEC. 5. CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICES FOR RESEARCH.**

2 Title I of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5511) is amended fur-
3 ther by adding after section 105, as added by section 4(b)
4 of this Act, the following new section:

5 **“SEC. 106. CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICES FOR RESEARCH.**

6 “(a) INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.—Not later
7 than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Advanc-
8 ing America’s Networking and Information Technology
9 Research and Development Act of 2012, the Director of
10 the National Coordination Office, working through the
11 National Science and Technology Council, shall convene
12 an interagency working group to examine—

13 “(1) the research and development needed—

14 “(A) to enhance the effectiveness and effi-
15 ciency of cloud computing environments;

16 “(B) to increase the trustworthiness of
17 cloud applications and infrastructure; and

18 “(C) to enhance the foundations of cloud
19 architectures, programming models, and inter-
20 operability; and

21 “(2) the potential use of cloud computing for
22 federally-funded science and engineering research,
23 including issues around funding mechanisms and
24 policies for the use of cloud computing services for
25 such research.

1 “(b) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out the tasks in
2 paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a), the working
3 group shall consult with academia, industry, Federal lab-
4 oratories, and other relevant organizations and institu-
5 tions, as appropriate.

6 “(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
7 of enactment of the Advancing America’s Networking and
8 Information Technology Research and Development Act of
9 2012, the Director of the National Coordination Office
10 shall transmit to the Committee on Science, Space, and
11 Technology of the House of Representatives and the Com-
12 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
13 Senate a report describing the findings and any rec-
14 ommendations of the working group.

15 “(d) TERMINATION.—The interagency working group
16 shall terminate upon transmittal of the report required
17 under subsection (c).”.

18 **SEC. 6. NATIONAL COORDINATION OFFICE.**

19 Section 102 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5512) is amended
20 to read as follows:

21 **“SEC. 102. NATIONAL COORDINATION OFFICE.**

22 “(a) OFFICE.—The Director shall continue a Na-
23 tional Coordination Office with a Director and full-time
24 staff.

1 “(b) FUNCTIONS.—The National Coordination Office
2 shall—

3 “(1) provide technical and administrative sup-
4 port to—

5 “(A) the agencies participating in planning
6 and implementing the Program, including such
7 support as needed in the development of the
8 strategic plan under section 101(e); and

9 “(B) the advisory committee established
10 under section 101(b);

11 “(2) serve as the primary point of contact on
12 Federal networking and information technology ac-
13 tivities for government organizations, academia, in-
14 dustry, professional societies, State computing and
15 networking technology programs, interested citizen
16 groups, and others to exchange technical and pro-
17 grammatic information;

18 “(3) solicit input and recommendations from a
19 wide range of stakeholders during the development
20 of each strategic plan required under section 101(e)
21 through the convening of at least 1 workshop with
22 invitees from academia, industry, Federal labora-
23 tories, and other relevant organizations and institu-
24 tions;

1 “(4) conduct public outreach, including the dis-
2 semination of findings and recommendations of the
3 advisory committee, as appropriate; and

4 “(5) promote access to and early application of
5 the technologies, innovations, and expertise derived
6 from Program activities to agency missions and sys-
7 tems across the Federal Government and to United
8 States industry.

9 “(c) SOURCE OF FUNDING.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The operation of the Na-
11 tional Coordination Office shall be supported by
12 funds from each agency participating in the Pro-
13 gram.

14 “(2) SPECIFICATIONS.—The portion of the total
15 budget of such Office that is provided by each agen-
16 cy for each fiscal year shall be in the same propor-
17 tion as each such agency’s share of the total budget
18 for the Program for the previous fiscal year, as spec-
19 ified in the report required under section
20 101(a)(3).”.

21 **SEC. 7. IMPROVING NETWORKING AND INFORMATION**
22 **TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION.**

23 Section 201(a) of such Act (15 U.S.C. 5521(a)) is
24 amended—

1 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through
2 (4) as paragraphs (3) through (5), respectively; and

3 (2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
4 lowing new paragraph:

5 “(2) the National Science Foundation shall use
6 its existing programs, in collaboration with other
7 agencies, as appropriate, to improve the teaching
8 and learning of networking and information tech-
9 nology at all levels of education and to increase par-
10 ticipation in networking and information technology
11 fields, including by women and underrepresented mi-
12 norities;”.

13 **SEC. 8. CONFORMING AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

14 (a) SECTION 3.—Section 3 of such Act (15 U.S.C.
15 5502) is amended—

16 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
17 striking “high-performance computing” and insert-
18 ing “networking and information technology”;

19 (2) in paragraph (1)—

20 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
21 (A), by striking “high-performance computing”
22 and inserting “networking and information
23 technology”;

24 (B) in subparagraphs (A), (F), and (G), by
25 striking “high-performance computing” each

1 place it appears and inserting “networking and
2 information technology”; and

3 (C) in subparagraph (H), by striking
4 “high-performance” and inserting “high-end”;
5 and

6 (3) in paragraph (2)—

7 (A) by striking “high-performance com-
8 puting and” and inserting “networking and in-
9 formation technology and”; and

10 (B) by striking “high-performance com-
11 puting network” and inserting “networking and
12 information technology”.

13 (b) TITLE I.—The heading of title I of such Act (15
14 U.S.C. 5511) is amended by striking “**HIGH-PER-**
15 **FORMANCE COMPUTING**” and inserting “**NET-**
16 **WORKING AND INFORMATION TECH-**
17 **NOLOGY**”.

18 (c) SECTION 101.—Section 101 of such Act (15
19 U.S.C. 5511) is amended—

20 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**HIGH-**
21 **PERFORMANCE COMPUTING**” and inserting
22 “**NETWORKING AND INFORMATION TECH-**
23 **NOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**”;

24 (2) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking
2 “NATIONAL HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING”
3 and inserting “NETWORKING AND INFORMA-
4 TION TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOP-
5 MENT”;

6 (B) in paragraph (1) of such subsection—

7 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
8 graph (A), by striking “National High-Per-
9 formance Computing Program” and insert-
10 ing “networking and information tech-
11 nology research and development pro-
12 gram”;

13 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking
14 “high-performance computing, including
15 networking” and inserting “networking
16 and information technology”;

17 (iii) in subparagraphs (B) and (G), by
18 striking “high-performance” each place it
19 appears and inserting “high-end”; and

20 (iv) in subparagraph (C), by striking
21 “high-performance computing and net-
22 working” and inserting “high-end com-
23 puting, distributed, and networking”; and

24 (C) in paragraph (2) of such subsection—

25 (i) in subparagraphs (A) and (C)—

1 (I) by striking “high-performance
2 computing” each place it appears and
3 inserting “networking and information
4 technology”; and

5 (II) by striking “development,
6 networking,” each place it appears
7 and inserting “development,”; and

8 (ii) in subparagraphs (F) and (G), as
9 redesignated by section 2(c)(1) of this Act,
10 by striking “high-performance” each place
11 it appears and inserting “high-end”;

12 (3) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) in paragraph (1), in the matter pre-
14 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “high-per-
15 formance computing” both places it appears
16 and inserting “networking and information
17 technology”; and

18 (B) in paragraph (2), in the second sen-
19 tence, by striking “2” and inserting “3”; and

20 (4) in subsection (c)(1)(A), by striking “high-
21 performance computing” and inserting “networking
22 and information technology”.

23 (d) SECTION 201.—Section 201(a)(1) of such Act
24 (15 U.S.C. 5521(a)(1)) is amended by striking “high-per-
25 formance computing” and all that follows through “net-

1 working;” and inserting “networking and information re-
2 search and development;”.

3 (e) SECTION 202.—Section 202(a) of such Act (15
4 U.S.C. 5522(a)) is amended by striking “high-perform-
5 ance computing” and inserting “networking and informa-
6 tion technology”.

7 (f) SECTION 203.—Section 203(a) of such Act (15
8 U.S.C. 5523(a)(1)) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “high-per-
10 formance computing and networking” and inserting
11 “networking and information technology”; and

12 (2) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “high-per-
13 formance” and inserting “high-end”.

14 (g) SECTION 204.—Section 204 of such Act (15
15 U.S.C. 5524) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

17 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking
18 “high-performance computing systems and net-
19 works” and inserting “networking and informa-
20 tion technology systems and capabilities”;

21 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking
22 “interoperability of high-performance com-
23 puting systems in networks and for common
24 user interfaces to systems” and inserting

1 “interoperability and usability of networking
2 and information technology systems”; and

3 (C) in subparagraph (C), by striking
4 “high-performance computing” and inserting
5 “networking and information technology”; and
6 (2) in subsection (b)—

7 (A) in the heading, by striking “HIGH-
8 PERFORMANCE COMPUTING AND NETWORK”
9 and inserting “NETWORKING AND INFORMA-
10 TION TECHNOLOGY”; and

11 (B) by striking “sensitive”.

12 (h) SECTION 205.—Section 205(a) of such Act (15
13 U.S.C. 5525(a)) is amended by striking “computational”
14 and inserting “networking and information technology”.

15 (i) SECTION 206.—Section 206(a) of such Act (15
16 U.S.C. 5526(a)) is amended by striking “computational
17 research” and inserting “networking and information
18 technology research”.

19 (j) SECTION 207.—Section 207(b) of such Act (15
20 U.S.C. 5527(b)) is amended by striking “high-perform-
21 ance computing” and inserting “networking and informa-
22 tion technology”.

23 (k) SECTION 208.—Section 208 of such Act (15
24 U.S.C. 5528) is amended—

1 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**HIGH-**
2 **PERFORMANCE COMPUTING**” and inserting
3 “**NETWORKING AND INFORMATION TECH-**
4 **NOLOGY**”; and

5 (2) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “High-
7 performance computing and associated” and in-
8 serting “Networking and information”;

9 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “high-
10 performance computing” and inserting “net-
11 working and information technologies”;

12 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “high-
13 performance” and inserting “high-end”;

14 (D) in paragraph (4), by striking “high-
15 performance computers and associated” and in-
16 serting “networking and information”; and

17 (E) in paragraph (5), by striking “high-
18 performance computing and associated” and in-
19 serting “networking and information”.

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Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.