

# Union Calendar No. 450

114<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4889

[Report No. 114-580]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 23, 2016

Mr. YODER (for himself, Ms. JENKINS of Kansas, Mr. CLEAVER, and Mr. POMPEO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

MAY 23, 2016

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 23, 2016]

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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 “Kelsey Smith Act”.*

5 **SEC. 2. REQUIRED EMERGENCY DISCLOSURE OF CALL LO-**  
6 **CATION INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCE-**  
7 **MENT.**

8 *Section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47*  
9 *U.S.C. 222) is amended—*

10 *(1) in subsection (d)—*

11 *(A) in paragraph (4), by redesignating sub-*  
12 *paragraphs (A) through (C) as clauses (i)*  
13 *through (iii), respectively;*

14 *(B) by redesignating paragraphs (1)*  
15 *through (4) as subparagraphs (A) through (D),*  
16 *respectively;*

17 *(C) by striking “Nothing in this section”*  
18 *and inserting the following:*

19 *“(1) PERMITTED DISCLOSURES.—Nothing in this*  
20 *section”; and*

21 *(D) by adding at the end the following:*

22 *“(2) REQUIRED EMERGENCY DISCLOSURE OF*  
23 *CALL LOCATION INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCE-*  
24 *MENT.—Notwithstanding subsections (a), (b), and (c),*  
25 *at the request of an investigative or law enforcement*

1     *officer, a provider of a covered service shall provide*  
2     *to such officer the call location information, or the*  
3     *best available location information, of a telecommuni-*  
4     *cations device that is—*

5             *“(A) used to place a 9–1–1 call requesting*  
6             *emergency assistance; or*

7             *“(B) reasonably believed to be in the posses-*  
8             *sion of an individual that the law enforcement*  
9             *officer reasonably believes is in an emergency sit-*  
10            *uation that involves the risk of death or serious*  
11            *physical harm to the individual.*

12            *“(3) HOLD HARMLESS.—No cause of action shall*  
13            *lie in any court nor shall any civil or administrative*  
14            *proceeding be commenced by a governmental entity*  
15            *against any provider of a covered service, or its direc-*  
16            *tors, officers, employees, agents, or vendors, for pro-*  
17            *viding in good faith call location information or other*  
18            *information, facilities, or assistance in accordance*  
19            *with paragraph (2) and any regulations promulgated*  
20            *under such paragraph.”;*

21            *(2) in subsection (f)(1), by striking “subsection*  
22            *(d)(4)” and inserting “subsection (d)(1)(D)”;* and

23            *(3) in subsection (h), by adding at the end the*  
24            *following:*

1           “(8) *COVERED SERVICE*.—The term ‘covered  
2           *service*’ means—

3                   “(A) a commercial mobile service (as de-  
4                   *fin*ed in section 332); or

5                   “(B) an IP-enabled voice service (as defined  
6                   *in* section 7 of the Wireless Communications and  
7                   *Public Safety Act of 1999 (47 U.S.C. 615b)).*

8           “(9) *INVESTIGATIVE OR LAW ENFORCEMENT OF-*  
9           *FICER*.—The term ‘investigative or law enforcement  
10           *officer*’ has the meaning given such term in section  
11           *2510 of title 18, United States Code.*”.

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