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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AN ACT

To require a new or updated Federal website that is intended for use by the public to be mobile friendly, 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 “Connected Government
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL WEBSITES REQUIRED TO BE MOBILE**
5 **FRIENDLY.**

6 (a) AMENDMENT.—Subchapter II of chapter 35 of
7 title 44, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
8 end the following new section:

9 **“§ 3559. Federal websites required to be mobile**
10 **friendly**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—If, on or after the date that is
12 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section,
13 an agency creates a website that is intended for use by
14 the public or conducts a redesign of an existing legacy
15 website that is intended for use by the public, the agency
16 shall ensure to the greatest extent practicable that the
17 website is mobile friendly.

18 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 “(1) AGENCY.—The term ‘agency’ has the
20 meaning given that term in section 551 of title 5.

21 “(2) MOBILE FRIENDLY.—The term ‘mobile
22 friendly’ means, with respect to a website, that the
23 website is configured in such a way that the website
24 may be navigated, viewed, and accessed on a
25 smartphone, tablet computer, or similar mobile de-
26 vice.”.

1 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—
2 The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 35 of
3 title 44, United States Code, is amended by adding after
4 the item related to section 3558 the following new item:

“3559. Federal websites required to be mobile friendly.”.

5 (c) REPORT BY OMB AND GSA REQUIRED.—Not
6 later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of
7 this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and
8 Budget, in consultation with the Administrator of General
9 Services, shall make publicly available and submit to Con-
10 gress a report that—

11 (1) describes the implementation of the require-
12 ment described under section 3559 of title 44,
13 United States Code, as added by subsection (a); and
14 (2) assesses the compliance of each agency with
15 such requirement.

Passed the House of Representatives November 15,
2017.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.