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# H. R. 3399

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 17, 2023

Mr. JAMES (for himself, Mr. BERGMAN, and Ms. SCHOLTEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## 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 “Soo Locks Security  
5 and Economic Reporting Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SECURITY AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS ON**  
7 **SUPPLY CHAIN OF SOO LOCKS, MICHIGAN.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the  
9 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-

1 tation, in coordination with the Commandant of the Coast  
2 Guard and the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the  
3 appropriate committees of Congress a report that—

4 (1) highlights any security deficiencies that  
5 exist with respect to the Soo Locks in Sault Ste.  
6 Marie, Michigan;

7 (2) highlights the supply chain, logistical, and  
8 economic effects that would result in the event of a  
9 malfunction or failure of the Soo Locks and how  
10 such effects would impact the region surrounding  
11 the Soo Locks and the United States;

12 (3) highlights any potential domestic or inter-  
13 national threats to the integrity of the Soo Locks;

14 (4) details the current security structure of the  
15 Coast Guard and any other relevant Federal, State,  
16 or local agency to protect the Soo Locks; and

17 (5) provides any recommendations, and cost es-  
18 timates for such recommendations, for—

19 (A) strengthening the security of the Soo  
20 Locks; and

21 (B) reducing the impacts to the supply  
22 chain of the United States that would result in  
23 the event of a malfunction or failure of the Soo  
24 Locks.

1 (b) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
2 FINED.—In this Act, the term “appropriate committees of  
3 Congress” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Transportation and In-  
5 frastructure of the House of Representatives;

6 (2) the Committee on Commerce, Transpor-  
7 tation, and Science of the Senate; and

8 (3) the Committee on Environment and Public  
9 Works of the Senate.

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