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To establish a public awareness campaign regarding Internet safety.

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Ms. BEAN (for herself, Mr. HILL, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. ELLSWORTH, Mr. HOLT, Mr. KIND, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To establish a public awareness campaign regarding Internet safety.

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 “Safeguarding Amer-
5 ica’s Families by Enhancing and Reorganizing New and
6 Efficient Technologies Act of 2007”.

7 **SEC. 2. INTERNET SAFETY.**

8 For purposes of this Act, the issue of Internet safety
9 includes issues regarding use of the Internet in a manner
10 that promotes safe online activity, including safe trans-

1 actions involved in online commerce, and protects against
2 threats to financial information and privacy, threats from
3 cyber-crime, and threats to juveniles, including cyber-
4 predators and material that is inappropriate for minors.

5 **SEC. 3. PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.**

6 The Federal Trade Commission shall carry out a na-
7 tionwide program to increase public awareness and pro-
8 vide education regarding Internet safety, for families,
9 businesses, organizations, and other users, that utilizes ex-
10 isting resources and efforts of the Federal Government,
11 State and local governments, nonprofit organizations, pri-
12 vate technology and financial companies, Internet service
13 providers, World Wide Web-based resources, and other ap-
14 propriate entities, that includes—

15 (1) identifying, promoting, and encouraging
16 best practices for Internet safety;

17 (2) establishing and carrying out a national
18 outreach and education campaign regarding Internet
19 safety utilizing various media and Internet-based re-
20 sources;

21 (3) facilitating access to, and the exchange of,
22 information regarding Internet safety to promote up-
23 to-date knowledge regarding current issues; and

24 (4) facilitating access to Internet safety edu-
25 cation and public awareness efforts the Commission

1 considers appropriate to States, units of local gov-
2 ernment, schools, police departments, nonprofit or-
3 ganizations, and such other entities.

4 **SEC. 4. ANNUAL REPORTS.**

5 The Commission shall submit a report not later than
6 March 31 of each year that describes the activities carried
7 out under section 3 by the Commission during the pre-
8 ceding calendar year.

9 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

10 For purposes of this Act, the following definitions
11 shall apply:

12 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
13 means the Federal Trade Commission.

14 (2) INTERNET.—The term “Internet” means
15 collectively the myriad of computer and tele-
16 communications facilities, including equipment and
17 operating software, which comprise the inter-
18 connected world-wide network of networks that em-
19 ploy the Transmission Control Protocol/Internet
20 Protocol, or any predecessor or successor protocols
21 to such protocol, to communicate information of all
22 kinds by wire or radio.

23 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24 For carrying out the public awareness campaign
25 under section 3, there is authorized to be appropriated to

- 1 the Commission \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2008, which
- 2 shall remain available until until September 30, 2009.

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