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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 23, 2021

Mr. BUTTERFIELD (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Data Mapping to Save Moms’ Lives Act”.

SEC. 2. MAPPING BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY AND MATERN-

AL HEALTH OUTCOMES.

(a) INCORPORATION OF MATERNAL HEALTH OUT-
COME DATA.—The Federal Communications Commission
shall incorporate data on maternal health outcomes for not less than 1 year postpartum, as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention under subsection (b), into the most recently available broadband health mapping tools of the Commission.

(b) CONSULTATION WITH CDC.—The Federal Communications Commission shall consult with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding the maternal health outcomes that should be incorporated into the most recently available broadband health mapping tools of the Commission under subsection (a).

SEC. 3. GAO STUDY.

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall study and submit to Congress a report on—

(1) the effectiveness of internet connectivity in reducing maternal morbidity rates; and

(2) who is best suited to take responsibility for ensuring better internet connectivity to reduce maternal morbidity rates.