116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 1065

AN ACT

To provide for a study on the use of social media in security clearance investigations.

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 "Social Media Use in3 Clearance Investigations Act of 2019".

4 SEC. 2. STUDY ON USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA IN SECURITY 5 CLEARANCE INVESTIGATIONS.

6 Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment 7 of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and 8 Budget shall submit to Congress a report on the examina-9 tion of social media activity during security clearance in-10 vestigations, including—

(1) the current use of publicly available social
media in security clearance background investigations;

(2) any legal impediments to examining publicly
available social media activity, and whether those
impediments are statutory or regulatory in nature;

(3) the results of any pilot programs to incorporate social media checks in such investigations, including the effectiveness and cost of such programs;
(4) options for widespread implementation of
the examination of social media activity during such

22 investigations; and

23 (5) estimates on the cost for such options as
24 part of—

25 (A) all Top Secret investigations; or

(B) all Secret and Top Secret investiga tions.

Passed the House of Representatives February 11, 2019.

Attest:

Clerk.

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