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# H. R. 6936

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GIANFORTE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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 “Advancing Gig Econ-  
5       omy Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. GIG ECONOMY STUDY.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—

1           (1) Not later than 2 years after the date of the  
2 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce  
3 shall conduct a study on the impact of the gig econ-  
4 omy on United States businesses conducting inter-  
5 state commerce.

6           (2) In conducting such study, the Secretary  
7 shall—

8                   (A) conduct a survey of the gig economy  
9 through outreach to participating entities to—

10                           (i) establish a list of industry sectors  
11 that participate in the gig economy;

12                           (ii) review and briefly explain the im-  
13 pact the gig economy has on the United  
14 States economy, including any benefits or  
15 detriments; and

16                           (iii) review the impact the gig econ-  
17 omy has on innovation, startups, and small  
18 businesses;

19                   (B) conduct a survey of Federal activity on  
20 the gig economy to—

21                           (i) develop a comprehensive list of  
22 Federal agencies asserting jurisdiction over  
23 the entities and sectors participating in the  
24 gig economy;

1 (ii) identify all interagency activities  
2 related to the gig economy;

3 (iii) develop a brief description of the  
4 jurisdiction and expertise of the Federal  
5 agencies as it relates to the gig economy;  
6 and

7 (iv) identify all regulations, guidelines,  
8 or any other policy implemented by such  
9 Federal agencies with respect to the gig  
10 economy; and

11 (C) develop and conduct a survey of State  
12 laws enacted on the gig economy to—

13 (i) determine the impact such laws  
14 have had on the gig economy, including in  
15 the transportation and mobility industry  
16 sector, the media and journalism industry  
17 sector, and any other industry sector im-  
18 pacted by such laws in each State; and

19 (ii) determine the impact such State  
20 laws have on the United States economy.

21 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary of Com-  
22 merce shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Com-  
23 merce of the House of Representatives and the Committee  
24 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate  
25 a report that contains—

1           (1) the results of the study conducted under  
2 subsection (a); and

3           (2) any recommendations to—

4                 (A) address duplicative Federal rules, reg-  
5 ulations, or any Federal activity acting as a  
6 barrier to the growth of the gig economy;

7                 (B) develop and implement a comprehen-  
8 sive plan to promote the growth of the gig econ-  
9 omy;

10                (C) develop policies that States can adopt  
11 to encourage the growth of the gig economy in  
12 each State; and

13                (D) propose any necessary legislation to  
14 accomplish such recommendations.

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