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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 8, 2025

Mr. SCHNEIDER (for himself and Mr. LYNCH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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 “DOGE Accountability
5 and Transparency Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Congress has a responsibility to review,
4 monitor, supervise, and evaluate the actions of the
5 executive branch to provide effective oversight as a
6 co-equal branch of Government.

7 (2) The authority of the Congress to provide
8 oversight and obtain information from the executive
9 branch is firmly established and essential to its leg-
10 islative function derived from Article I of the Con-
11 stitution.

12 (3) The Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946
13 established that “each standing committee of the
14 Senate and the House of Representatives shall exer-
15 cise continuous watchfulness of the execution by the
16 administrative agencies concerned of any laws, the
17 subject matter of which is within the jurisdiction of
18 such committee; and, for that purpose, shall study
19 all pertinent reports and data submitted to the Con-
20 gress by the agencies in the executive branch of the
21 Government.”

22 (4) On January 20, 2025, President Donald
23 Trump issued an executive order to reorganize the
24 U.S. Digital Service as the U.S. Department of Gov-
25 ernment Efficiency (DOGE) Service and directs
26 DOGE to “implement the President’s DOGE Agen-

1 da, by monitoring Federal technology and software
2 to maximize governmental efficiency and produc-
3 tivity.”

4 (5) DOGE has pushed for large-scale reduc-
5 tions in force and office closures (often arbitrarily
6 and capriciously), which will have a significant ad-
7 verse impact on the ability of agencies to serve citi-
8 zens of the United States.

9 (6) Reductions in Force (RIFs) and scaling
10 back, or completely eliminating programs at Federal
11 agencies should be based on real and transparent
12 analysis and formal, deliberate program evaluation,
13 not for the purposes of pursuing personal vendettas
14 or yielding personal financial gain for well-connected
15 individuals.

16 (7) The illogical and erratic, chainsaw approach
17 of DOGE has sown confusion and chaos for employ-
18 ees at Federal agencies and the citizens of the
19 United States alike.

20 (8) The citizens of the United States expect
21 and deserve ongoing transparency of the actions of
22 the Federal Government, particularly when their
23 personal, private data is concerned.

1 **SEC. 3. DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY AC-**
2 **TIVITY AND IMPACT REPORTS.**

3 (a) WEEKLY REPORT.—Not later than 1 week after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, and weekly there-
5 after, the Administrator of the United States Department
6 of Government Efficiency Service shall provide to Con-
7 gress a report regarding any action DOGE has taken with
8 respect to each Federal agency and the cumulative impact
9 of actions taken to date, including the following:

10 (1) Each statutory authorization supporting
11 each such change.

12 (2) Any change in the number of employees at
13 the respective Federal agency, including any em-
14 ployee that has resigned, been removed, or had their
15 position eliminated.

16 (3) A description of each specific change DOGE
17 has made to the respective Federal agency, including
18 to an office within such agency.

19 (4) Any cost-saving measure.

20 (5) Any policy change.

21 (6) Any physical change to a Federal agency
22 structure or location, including moving a Federal
23 agency to a different building and relocating employ-
24 ees.

25 (7) A description of any Federal agency data
26 accessed by DOGE, the name of the individual who

1 accessed such data, the purpose for such access, and
2 what was done with such data.

3 (8) The realized versus expected benefits of
4 DOGE actions to date.

5 (b) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 week after
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator
7 shall submit to Congress a report of any DOGE activity
8 listed under subsection (a) that occurred between January
9 20, 2025, and the date of the enactment of this Act.

10 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) DOGE.—The term “DOGE” means the
12 United States DOGE Service (commonly referred to
13 as the Department of Government Efficiency).

14 (2) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term “Federal
15 agency” has the meaning given the term “agency”
16 in section 551 of title 5, United States Code.

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