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# H. R. 7022

[Report No. 119-616]

To provide for the transmission of emergency alerts by satellite, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2026

Mr. PFLUGER (for himself, Mrs. FLETCHER, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Mr. VEASEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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Additional sponsor: Mr. HILL of Arkansas

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 12, 2026]

# **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 “Mystic Alerts Act”.*

5 **SEC. 2. TRANSMISSION OF EMERGENCY ALERTS BY SAT-**  
6 **ELLITE.**

7        *(a) SERVICE PROVIDER ELECTION.—*

8            *(1) REQUIRED FILING.—Not later than 60 days*  
9 *after the effective date of the final rule required to be*  
10 *issued under subsection (b), each covered service pro-*  
11 *vider shall file an election with the Federal Commu-*  
12 *nications Commission with respect to whether the*  
13 *provider intends to transmit emergency alerts by sat-*  
14 *ellite to the subscribers of the commercial mobile serv-*  
15 *ice of the provider who receive such service on devices*  
16 *capable of receiving such alerts, in addition to the*  
17 *transmission of emergency alerts under the Warning*  
18 *Alert, and Response Network Act.*

19            *(2) NOTIFICATION; AGREEMENT.—If a provider*  
20 *elects to transmit emergency alerts to subscribers by*  
21 *satellite under paragraph (1), the provider shall—*

22                    *(A) notify the Commission of that election;*

23                    *and*

24                    *(B) agree to transmit such alerts in a man-*  
25 *ner consistent with the technical standards, pro-*

1           *ocols, procedures, and other technical require-*  
2           *ments implemented by the Commission.*

3           (3) *ELECTION NOT TO TRANSMIT.*—*If a provider*  
4           *elects not to transmit emergency alerts by satellite*  
5           *under paragraph (1), the provider shall provide no-*  
6           *tice to new and existing subscribers described in such*  
7           *paragraph of that election in the same manner that*  
8           *is required under subparagraphs (B) and (C) of sec-*  
9           *tion 602(b)(1) of the Warning, Alert, and Response*  
10          *Network Act.*

11          (4) *CONSUMER CHOICE TO OPT OUT.*—*If a pro-*  
12          *vider elects to transmit emergency alerts to sub-*  
13          *scribers of such service by satellite under paragraph*  
14          *(1), the provider shall prevent the device of any such*  
15          *subscriber that opts out of receiving emergency alerts*  
16          *pursuant to section 602(b)(2)(E) of the Warning,*  
17          *Alert, and Response Network Act, or classes of such*  
18          *alerts, from receiving such alerts by satellite.*

19          (5) *NO FEE FOR SERVICE.*—*If a provider elects*  
20          *to transmit emergency alerts to subscribers by satellite*  
21          *under paragraph (1), the provider may not impose a*  
22          *separate or additional charge for such transmission*  
23          *or capability.*

24          (b) *SATELLITE ALERT REGULATIONS.*—

1           (1) *NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING.*—Not  
2 later than 6 months after the date of the enactment  
3 of this Act, the Commission shall publish a Notice of  
4 Proposed Rulemaking to establish any requirements  
5 necessary to facilitate the satellite alerting capability  
6 of covered service providers.

7           (2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—The requirements required  
8 by paragraph (1) shall—

9           (A) take into account the capability of—

10           (i) satellites to transmit emergency  
11 alerts; and

12           (ii) mobile devices to receive and dis-  
13 play such alerts; and

14           (B) minimize the impact of emergency  
15 alerting on other voice and data communica-  
16 tions, including 9–1–1 communications.

17           (3) *FINAL RULE.*—Not later than 18 months  
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Com-  
19 mission shall, in consultation with the Secretary of  
20 Homeland Security and the Administrator of the Fed-  
21 eral Emergency Management Agency, issue a final  
22 rule establishing the requirements described under  
23 paragraph (1).

24           (4) *EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULE.*—

1           (A) *DATE.*—*The effective date of the final*  
2 *rule described under paragraph (3) shall be the*  
3 *later of—*

4                   (i) *36 months after publication of the*  
5 *final rule in the Federal Register; or*

6                   (ii) *12 months after the Secretary of*  
7 *Homeland Security and the Administrator*  
8 *of the Federal Emergency Management*  
9 *Agency implement any standards, protocols,*  
10 *or procedures necessary to support the*  
11 *transmission of emergency alerts from alert*  
12 *originators to covered service providers, the*  
13 *Secretary and the Administrator shall no-*  
14 *tify the Commission of such implementa-*  
15 *tion.*

16           (B) *NOTIFICATION.*—*The Secretary of*  
17 *Homeland Security and the Administrator of the*  
18 *Federal Emergency Management Agency shall*  
19 *notify the Commission of the implementation of*  
20 *any standards, protocols, or procedures described*  
21 *under subparagraph (A)(i) for the purpose of*  
22 *determining the effective date of the final rule de-*  
23 *scribed under paragraph (3).*

24           (c) *LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.*—

1           (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Any covered service provider*  
2 *(including its officers, directors, employees, vendors,*  
3 *and agents) that transmits emergency alerts by sat-*  
4 *ellite and meets its obligations under this Act shall*  
5 *not be liable to any subscriber to, or user of, such per-*  
6 *son’s service or equipment for—*

7           (A) *any act or omission related to or any*  
8 *harm resulting from the transmission of, or fail-*  
9 *ure to transmit, an emergency alert by satellite;*  
10 *or*

11           (B) *the release to a government agency or*  
12 *entity, public safety, fire service, law enforce-*  
13 *ment official, emergency medical service, or*  
14 *emergency facility of subscriber information used*  
15 *in connection with delivering such an alert.*

16           (2) *ELECTION NOT TO TRANSMIT ALERTS BY SAT-*  
17 *ELLITE.*—*The election by a covered service provider*  
18 *under subsection (a)(3) not to transmit emergency*  
19 *alerts by satellite shall not, by itself, provide a basis*  
20 *for liability against the provider (including its offi-*  
21 *cers, directors, employees, vendors, and agents).*

22           (d) *COVERED SERVICE PROVIDER.*—*In this Act, “cov-*  
23 *ered service provider” means a provider of commercial mo-*  
24 *bile service that—*

1           (1) *voluntarily elects to transmit emergency*  
2           *alerts under section 602(b) of the Warning, Alert, and*  
3           *Response Network Act (Public Law 109–347; 42*  
4           *U.S.C. 1201); and*

5           (2) *makes satellite voice and data communica-*  
6           *tions service available to subscribers of the commer-*  
7           *cial mobile service of the provider.*



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