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To require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program relating to physical security and cybersecurity for pipelines and liquefied natural gas facilities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WEBER of Texas (for himself and Mrs. DINGELL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Pipeline Cybersecurity
5 Preparedness Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PHYSICAL SECURITY AND CYBERSECURITY FOR**
2 **PIPELINES AND LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS**
3 **FACILITIES.**

4 The Secretary of Energy, in carrying out the Depart-
5 ment of Energy's functions pursuant to the Department
6 of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), and
7 in consultation with appropriate Federal agencies, rep-
8 resentatives of the energy sector, the States, and other
9 stakeholders, shall carry out a program—

10 (1) to establish policies and procedures that im-
11 prove coordination among Federal agencies, States,
12 and the energy sector, including through councils or
13 other entities engaged in sharing, analysis, or sector
14 coordinating, to ensure the security, resiliency, and
15 survivability of natural gas pipelines (including nat-
16 ural gas transmission and distribution pipelines),
17 hazardous liquid pipelines, and liquefied natural gas
18 facilities;

19 (2) to lead the coordinated response and recov-
20 ery by Federal agencies, States, and the energy sec-
21 tor, to physical incidents and cyber incidents impact-
22 ing the energy sector;

23 (3) to develop, for voluntary use, advanced cy-
24 bersecurity applications and technologies for natural
25 gas pipelines (including natural gas transmission

1 and distribution pipelines), hazardous liquid pipe-
2 lines, and liquefied natural gas facilities;

3 (4) to perform pilot demonstration projects re-
4 lating to physical security and cybersecurity for nat-
5 ural gas pipelines (including natural gas trans-
6 mission and distribution pipelines), hazardous liquid
7 pipelines, and liquefied natural gas facilities with
8 representatives of the energy sector;

9 (5) to develop workforce development curricula
10 for the energy sector relating to physical security
11 and cybersecurity for natural gas pipelines (includ-
12 ing natural gas transmission and distribution pipe-
13 lines), hazardous liquid pipelines, and liquefied nat-
14 ural gas facilities; and

15 (6) to provide technical tools to help the energy
16 sector voluntarily evaluate, prioritize, and improve
17 physical security and cybersecurity capabilities of
18 natural gas pipelines (including natural gas trans-
19 mission and distribution pipelines), hazardous liquid
20 pipelines, and liquefied natural gas facilities.

21 **SEC. 3. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

22 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to modify the
23 authority of any Federal agency other than the Depart-
24 ment of Energy relating to physical security or cybersecu-
25 rity for natural gas pipelines (including natural gas trans-

- 1 mission and distribution pipelines), hazardous liquid pipe-
- 2 lines, or liquefied natural gas facilities.

