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To direct the Federal Communications Commission to develop a framework and tracking system to monitor the top 100 illegal robocall campaigns and to publish a monthly report on such campaigns, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. MATSUI 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 “Stop Scams and Spam
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TRACKING OF TOP 100 ILLEGAL ROBOCALL CAM-**
2 **PAIGNS.**

3 (a) **FRAMEWORK AND TRACKING SYSTEM.**— Not
4 later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this
5 Act, the Commission shall develop a framework and track-
6 ing system to monitor the top 100 robocall campaigns that
7 primarily involve robocalls that are illegal or suspected to
8 be illegal.

9 (b) **MONTHLY REPORT.**—Not later than 1 month
10 after developing the framework and tracking system re-
11 quired by subsection (a), and monthly thereafter, the
12 Commission shall make available to the public on the
13 website of the Commission a report, with respect to the
14 preceding 1-month period, on the campaigns described in
15 such subsection.

16 (c) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

17 (1) **COMMISSION.**—The term “Commission”
18 means the Federal Communications Commission.

19 (2) **ROBOCALL.**—

20 (A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “robocall”
21 means a call made or text message sent—

22 (i) using equipment, whether hard-
23 ware, software, or a combination thereof
24 and including an automatic telephone dial-
25 ing system, that makes a call or sends a
26 text message to—

1 (I) stored telephone numbers; or

2 (II) telephone numbers produced

3 using a random or sequential number

4 generator; or

5 (ii) using an artificial or prerecorded

6 voice or an artificially generated message.

7 (B) LIMITATION.—For purposes of sub-

8 paragraph (A)(i), the term “robocall” does not

9 include a call made or text message sent using

10 equipment that requires substantial human

11 intervention to make or send the call or text

12 message.

13 (3) TEXT MESSAGE.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “text mes-

15 sage” means a message consisting of text, im-

16 ages, sounds, or other information that is trans-

17 mitted to or from a device that is identified as

18 the receiving or transmitting device by means of

19 a 10-digit telephone number, N11 service code,

20 short code telephone number, or email address,

21 or that is transmitted through application-to-

22 person messaging, and includes—

23 (i) a short message service (commonly

24 referred to as “SMS”) message;

1 (ii) a multimedia message service
2 (commonly referred to as “MMS”) mes-
3 sage; and

4 (iii) a rich communication service
5 (commonly referred to as “RCS”) message.

6 (B) LIMITATION.—The term “text mes-
7 sage” does not include a real-time, two-way
8 voice or video communication.

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