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H. R. 8751

To direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a grant program to support State data infrastructure projects, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 14, 2024

Mr. BUCSHON (for himself and Mrs. DINGELL) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability

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 “Improving Government
5 Data-Driven Decisions Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DATA INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish
8 a data infrastructure grant program under which the Sec-
9 retary shall provide grants to support projects for central-
10 ized data sharing, correlation, and analysis capacity to fa-

1 cilitate effectiveness and efficiency in the administration
2 of State programs and services.

3 (b) GOALS.—The goals of the Program are—

4 (1) to leverage data infrastructure created and
5 maintained by State government agencies to inform
6 innovation and efficiency efforts related to State
7 programs and services;

8 (2) to improve information technology systems,
9 practices, and procedures to enhance the security of
10 data by such agencies;

11 (3) to increase the capabilities of such agencies
12 for implementing data management, augmented ana-
13 lytics, integration, business process improvement,
14 and intelligent technologies; and

15 (4) to protect the privacy of individuals by ad-
16 hering to all applicable State and Federal privacy
17 laws and regulations.

18 (c) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—The Secretary may
19 make a grant under the Program to a State government.

20 (d) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible for a grant under
21 the Program, an entity described in subsection (c) shall
22 submit to the Secretary an application in such form, at
23 such time, and containing such information as the Sec-
24 retary determines appropriate.

25 (e) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

1 (1) MINIMUM.—The minimum amount of a
2 grant under the Program shall be \$1,500,000.

3 (2) MAXIMUM.—The maximum amount of a
4 grant under the Program shall be \$5,000,000.

5 (f) DEFINITIONS.—

6 (1) DATA INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term “data
7 infrastructure” means the people, processes, sys-
8 tems, and resources that enable the entire ecosystem
9 for real time, high quality, and data-driven decision-
10 making, including the collection and reporting of in-
11 formation, the secure and compliant retention sys-
12 tems, and the analysis and presentation of the infor-
13 mation.

14 (2) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means
15 the grant program established under subsection (a).

16 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
17 the Secretary of Commerce.

18 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
19 authorized to be appropriated to carry out the Program
20 \$41,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2028.

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