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To establish the applicability of antitrust laws to the sharing of artificial intelligence frontier model risks, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. SCHIFF (for himself and Mr. BANKS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Collaboration on Ad-
5 versarial Threats and Security Risks Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) ANTITRUST LAWS.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “antitrust
10 laws” has the meaning given that term in sec-

1 tion 102 of the Cybersecurity Information Shar-
2 ing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501).

3 (B) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—For the
4 purposes of this Act, the laws described in sec-
5 tion 102(2) of the Cybersecurity Information
6 Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501(2)) are
7 consistent to the extent they do not conflict.

8 (2) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—The term “ar-
9 tificial intelligence” has the meaning given that term
10 in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain National
11 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (10
12 U.S.C. 4001 note).

13 (3) ASSISTANCE.—The term “assistance” in-
14 cludes the provision of software, hardware, data,
15 personnel, and other resources.

16 (4) ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The
17 term “Assistant Attorney General” means the As-
18 sistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust
19 Division of the Department of Justice.

20 (5) COVERED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SECU-
21 RITY PURPOSE.—The term “covered artificial intel-
22 ligence security purpose” means the purpose of pro-
23 tecting against, identifying, evaluating, testing, ana-
24 lyzing, preventing, investigating, or mitigating a cov-
25 ered artificial intelligence security risk.

1 (6) COVERED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SECUR-
2 RITY RISK.—The term “covered artificial intelligence
3 security risk” means the potential for artificial intel-
4 ligence, including during development, training, test-
5 ing, evaluation, deployment, use, or release, to do 1
6 or more of the following:

7 (A) Be stolen, distilled, weaponized,
8 trained, developed, or deployed by a covered na-
9 tion (as defined in section 4872(f)(2) of title
10 10, United States Code) or an entity owned,
11 controlled, or directed by a covered nation in a
12 manner that poses a significant threat to the
13 national security, including through covert,
14 clandestine, undisclosed, or otherwise concealed
15 development activities that attempt to evade de-
16 tection or verification.

17 (B) Substantially facilitate the develop-
18 ment or deployment of a chemical, biological,
19 radiological, nuclear, or offensive cyber weapon.

20 (C) Cause a disruption to, degradation of,
21 impairment of, or loss of operational control
22 over critical infrastructure that is reasonably
23 likely to result in a significant impact on secu-
24 rity, national public health or safety, or any
25 combination thereof.

1 (D) Substantially reduce the ability of a
2 developer, deployer, owner, operator, user, eval-
3 uator, auditor, Federal department or agency,
4 or other governmental authority to oversee,
5 evaluate, monitor, control, contain, restrict ac-
6 cess to, disable, or terminate such artificial in-
7 telligence, if the applicable person or govern-
8 mental authority has authority or responsibility
9 to do so, including through unauthorized, de-
10 ceptive, evasive, or malicious activity involving
11 such artificial intelligence.

12 (E) Autonomously improve, or substan-
13 tially facilitate the autonomous improvement of,
14 the capabilities of artificial intelligence in a
15 manner that creates a substantial risk of a con-
16 sequence described in subparagraph (A), (B),
17 (C), or (D).

18 (F) Be vulnerable to unauthorized access
19 that—

20 (i) creates a substantial risk of a con-
21 sequence described in subparagraphs (A)
22 through (E); or

23 (ii) is for the benefit of, at the direc-
24 tion of, or under the control of—

1 (I) a covered nation (as defined
2 in section 4872(f)(2) of title 10,
3 United States Code); or

4 (II) an entity owned, controlled,
5 or directed by a covered nation.

6 (7) EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE.—The term “exclusive
7 purpose”, with respect to an action, means for the
8 purpose of, with not more than an insubstantial part
9 of the relevant action being for other purposes.

10 (8) NON-FEDERAL ENTITY.—The term “non-
11 Federal entity” has the meaning given that term in
12 section 102 of the Cybersecurity Information Shar-
13 ing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501).

14 (9) UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS.—The term “unau-
15 thorized access” with respect to artificial intel-
16 ligence—

17 (A) means unauthorized access or use of
18 artificial intelligence; and

19 (B) includes—

20 (i) extraction or copying of model
21 weights, parameters, or other nonpublic
22 model information;

23 (ii) systematic querying or automated
24 extraction designed to distill, replicate, or
25 reconstruct model capabilities; and

1 (iii) compromise affecting the integ-
2 rity, reliability, or security of artificial in-
3 telligence, including through malicious
4 code, a backdoor, manipulated data, or
5 compromise of an artificial intelligence
6 model, training dataset, or artificial intel-
7 ligence component.

8 **SEC. 3. ANTITRUST EXEMPTION.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—It shall not be considered a viola-
10 tion of any provision of the antitrust laws for—

11 (1) 2 or more non-Federal entities to provide or
12 exchange information or assistance relating to a cov-
13 ered artificial intelligence security risk in good faith
14 for the exclusive purpose of a covered artificial intel-
15 ligence security purpose; or

16 (2) 2 or more non-Federal entities to coordinate
17 or enter into agreements for the exclusive purpose of
18 reducing covered artificial intelligence security risks
19 via delaying or otherwise limiting the release, deploy-
20 ment, use, development, training, testing, or evalua-
21 tion of artificial intelligence, provided that the non-
22 Federal entities submit to the Assistant Attorney
23 General, before undertaking the proposed coordi-
24 nated delay or limitation, written notice detailing the

1 specific covered artificial intelligence security risk
2 and the scope of the proposed restriction.

3 (b) LIMITATION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to
4 a non-Federal entity receiving information or assistance
5 unless the non-Federal entity uses such information or as-
6 sistance for a covered artificial intelligence security pur-
7 pose and has implemented reasonable internal controls to
8 limit the extent to which such information or assistance
9 can be used for other purposes.

10 (c) AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE.—In any action or pro-
11 ceeding brought under the antitrust laws, the exemption
12 provided under subsection (a) shall constitute an affirma-
13 tive defense, and any non-Federal entity claiming the ex-
14 emption shall bear the burden of proving by a preponder-
15 ance of the evidence that the entity's actions were taken
16 in good faith and for the exclusive purpose described in
17 subsection (a).

18 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a)(1) shall not
20 be construed to permit price-fixing, allocating a mar-
21 ket between competitors, monopolizing or attempting
22 to monopolize a market, boycotting, or exchanges of
23 price or cost information.

24 (2) PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION.—Nothing in
25 this Act shall be construed as limiting any private

1 right of action with respect to any violation of the
2 antitrust laws that is not exempt under this section.

3 (e) EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE.—Any informa-
4 tion submitted to the Assistant Attorney General pursuant
5 to subsection (a)(2), including any written notice sub-
6 mitted under that subsection and any information derived
7 from such submission that would reveal the substance of
8 such submission, shall be—

9 (1) used solely for the purpose of section 4;

10 (2) deemed voluntarily shared information and
11 exempt from disclosure under section 552 of title 5,
12 United States Code; and

13 (3) withheld, without discretion, from the public
14 under section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States
15 Code.

16 **SEC. 4. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General may seek,
18 in a court of competent jurisdiction, an injunction against
19 the non-Federal entities described in section 3 to prohibit
20 an action that violates the antitrust laws.

21 (b) NO IMMUNITY OR EXEMPTION.—In any action
22 described in subsection (a), this Act shall not be construed
23 to create any immunity or exemption from injunctive relief
24 if—

1 (1) the non-Federal entities do not satisfy the
2 burden of proof under section 3(c); or

3 (2) the Attorney General demonstrates that,
4 notwithstanding the covered artificial intelligence se-
5 curity purpose, the actions are reasonably likely to
6 result in an overall increase in covered artificial in-
7 telligence security risks.