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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. PALLONE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Secure Space Act of
3 2023”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON GRANT OF CERTAIN SATELLITE**
5 **LICENSES OR UNITED STATES MARKET AC-**
6 **CESS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secure and Trusted Commu-
8 nications Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)
9 is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating sections 10 and 11 as sec-
11 tions 11 and 12, respectively; and

12 (2) by inserting after section 9 the following:

13 **“SEC. 10. PROHIBITION ON GRANT OF CERTAIN SATELLITE**
14 **LICENSES OR UNITED STATES MARKET AC-**
15 **CESS.**

16 “The Commission may not grant a license for, or a
17 petition for a declaratory ruling to access the United
18 States market using, a non-geostationary orbit satellite
19 system (as defined in section 25.103 of title 47, Code of
20 Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation)), if such
21 license or grant of market access would be held or con-
22 trolled by—

23 “(1) an entity that produces or provides any
24 covered communications equipment or service; or

1 “(2) an affiliate (as defined in section 3 of the
2 Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 153)) of an
3 entity described in paragraph (1).”.

4 (b) APPLICABILITY.—Section 10 of the Secure and
5 Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019, as added
6 by subsection (a), shall apply with respect to the grant
7 of a license or petition on or after the date of the enact-
8 ment of this Act.