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113TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

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To prohibit the National Telecommunications and Information Administration from relinquishing responsibility over the Internet domain name system until the Comptroller General of United States submits to Congress a report on the role of the NTIA with respect to such system.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. SHIMKUS introduced	the fo	ollowing	bill;	which	was	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 "Domain Openness
- 5 Through Continued Oversight Matters Act of 2014" or
- 6 the "DOTCOM Act of 2014".

SEC. 2. NTIA RETENTION OF DNS RESPONSIBILITIES PEND-2 ING GAO REPORT. 3 (a) RETENTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES.—Until the Comptroller General of the United States submits the re-4 5 port required by subsection (b), the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information may 6 7 not relinquish or agree to any proposal relating to the relinguishment of the responsibility of the National Tele-9 communications and Information Administration (in this section referred to as the "NTIA") over Internet domain 10 name system functions, including responsibility with re-11 spect to the authoritative root zone file, the Internet As-12 signed Numbers Authority functions, and related root 13 14 zone management functions. 15 (b) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of 17 the United States shall submit to Congress a report on the role of the NTIA with respect to the Internet domain 18 19 name system. Such report shall include— 20 (1) a discussion and analysis of— 21 (A) the advantages and disadvantages of 22 relinquishment of the responsibility of the 23 NTIA over Internet domain name system func-24 tions, including responsibility with respect to 25 the authoritative root zone file, the Internet As-

1	signed Numbers Authority functions, and re-
2	lated root zone management functions;
3	(B) any principles or criteria that the
4	NTIA sets for proposals for such relinquish-
5	ment;
6	(C) each proposal received by the NTIA
7	for such relinquishment;
8	(D) the processes used by the NTIA and
9	any other Federal agencies for evaluating such
10	proposals; and
11	(E) any national security concerns raised
12	by such relinquishment; and
13	(2) a definition of the term "multistakeholder
14	model", as used by the NTIA with respect to Inter-
15	net policymaking and governance, and definitions of
16	any other terms necessary to understand the matters
17	covered by the report.