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1ST SESSION

S. 1790

To ensure that the Federal Communications Commission does not approve
radio frequency devices that pose a national security risk.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 24, 2021

Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. MARKEY) introduced the following bill; which
was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
Transportation

A BILL

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does not approve radio frequency devices that pose a
national security risk.

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 “Secure Equipment Act
5 of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. UPDATES TO EQUIPMENT AUTHORIZATION PROC-**
2 **ESS OF FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COM-**
3 **MISSION.**

4 (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “Commis-
5 sion” means the Federal Communications Commission.

6 (b) RULEMAKING.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
8 the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission
9 shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding, in accordance
10 with paragraph (2), to update the equipment author-
11 ization procedures of the Commission.

12 (2) UPDATES REQUIRED.—In the rulemaking
13 proceeding conducted under paragraph (1), the
14 Commission shall clarify that the Commission will
15 no longer review or approve any application for
16 equipment authorization for equipment that is on
17 the list of covered communications equipment or
18 services published by the Commission under section
19 2(a) of the Secure and Trusted Communications
20 Network Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1601(a)).

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