

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study regarding the use of remote work by Federal agencies.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 349

To amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize the appointment of spouses of members of the Armed Forces who are on active duty, disabled, or deceased to positions in which the spouses will work remotely.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL to the amendment (No. _____) proposed by Mr. PAUL

Viz:

- 1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:
- 2 **SEC. _____. GAO STUDY AND REPORT.**
- 3 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section—
- 4 (1) the terms “agency” means an agency de-
- 5 scribed in paragraph (1) or (2) of section 901(b) of
- 6 title 31, United States Code;
- 7 (2) the term “employee” means an employee of
- 8 an agency;
- 9 (3) the term “remote work” means a particular
- 10 type of telework under which an employee is not ex-

1 pected to report to an officially established agency
2 location on a regular and recurring basis; and

3 (4) the term "telework" means a work flexi-
4 bility arrangement under which an employee per-
5 forms the duties and responsibilities of such employ-
6 ee's position, and other authorized activities, from
7 an approved worksite other than the location from
8 which the employee would otherwise work.

9 (b) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 18 months after
10 the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General
11 of the United States shall conduct a study and publish
12 a report regarding the use of remote work by agencies,
13 which shall include a discussion of what is known regard-
14 ing—

15 (1) the number of employees who are engaging
16 in remote work;

17 (2) the role of remote work in agency recruit-
18 ment and retention efforts;

19 (3) the geographic location of employees who
20 engage in remote work;

21 (4) the effect that remote work has had on how
22 often employees are reporting to officially established
23 agency locations to perform the duties and respon-
24 sibilities of the positions of those employees and
25 other authorized activities; and

1 (5) how the use of remote work has affected
2 Federal office space utilization and spending.

3 ~~SEC. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS.~~

4 ~~No additional funds are authorized to be appro-~~
5 ~~riated for the purposes of carrying out this Act or the~~
6 ~~amendments made by this Act. The head of each agency,~~
7 ~~as defined in section 3330d(a) of title 5, United States~~
8 ~~Code, as amended by this Act, shall carry out this Act,~~
9 ~~and the amendments made by this Act, using amounts~~
10 ~~otherwise available to that agency head for such purposes.~~