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# H. R. 4989

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2018

Mr. CASTRO of Texas (for himself and Mr. McCAUL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## 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 “Protecting Diplomats  
5       from Surveillance Through Consumer Devices Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SECURE UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC AND CON-**  
2 **SULAR FACILITIES AGAINST CYBERSURVEIL-**  
3 **LANCE.**

4 (a) **POLICY ON LOCATION-TRACKING CONSUMER DE-**  
5 **VICES.**—Not later than 60 days after the date of the en-  
6 actment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall establish  
7 a policy on the use of location-tracking consumer devices,  
8 including GPS-enabled devices, at United States diplo-  
9 matic and consular facilities by United States Government  
10 employees, contractors, locally employed staff and mem-  
11 bers of other agencies deployed to or stationed at such  
12 facilities.

13 (b) **SECURITY BRIEFING.**—Existing and new employ-  
14 ees at United States diplomatic and consular facilities, in-  
15 cluding contractors, locally employed staff, and members  
16 of other agencies deployed to or stationed at such facili-  
17 ties, shall, as a part of the security briefings provided to  
18 such employees, be informed of the policy described in sub-  
19 section (a) and given instructions on the use of location-  
20 tracking consumer devices both on and off the premises  
21 of such facilities.

22 (c) **COORDINATION.**—The Secretary of State may co-  
23 ordinate with the heads of any other agencies whose em-  
24 ployees are deployed to or stationed at United States dip-  
25 lomatic and consular facilities in the formulation of the

1 policy described in subsection (a) and the dissemination  
2 of such policy pursuant to subsection (b).

3 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after the for-  
4 mulation of the policy described in subsection (a), the Sec-  
5 retary of State shall submit to the Committee on Foreign  
6 Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
7 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a report on the  
8 details of such policy.

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