

AMENDMENT TO H.R. _____
OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF TEXAS

Page 6, line 14, strike “subsection (e)” and insert
“subsection (f)”.

Page 6, after line 21, insert the following (and re-
designate accordingly):

1 (e) TRANSITION PLAN.—No later than 6 months
2 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretaries
3 of Commerce and Defense, in coordination with relevant
4 agencies, shall submit a plan to the appropriate commit-
5 tees of Congress outlining the transition of a space situa-
6 tional awareness information and services program to the
7 Department of Commerce and how a gap in providing
8 space situational awareness information and services will
9 be prevented. The Transition Plan shall identify the capa-
10 bilities the Department of Commerce will require to carry
11 out the space situational awareness responsibilities, in-
12 cluding workforce, facilities, and training; the cost of those
13 capabilities; and the estimated date when those capabili-
14 ties will be in place. In addition, the Transition Plan shall
15 describe how the Department of Commerce will structure

1 any partnerships with commercial and international enti-
2 ties.

Page 8, line 21, insert “implementing and” before
“carrying out the Program”.

Page 9, after line 2, insert the following (and redesi-
gnate accordingly):

3 (k) OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES.—In implementing
4 and carrying out the Program, the Secretary of Commerce
5 may leverage existing workforce and experience of other
6 Federal agencies relating to space situational awareness
7 for the training of staff and other needs as determined
8 by the Secretary.

Page 11, line 10, insert “and inform development of
a comprehensive space traffic management framework”
before the period.

Page 15, strike lines 12 through 17 and insert the
following:

9 (B) the Secretary’s recommendations on
10 what steps should be taken by the United
11 States to facilitate—
12 (i) further development and adoption
13 of the guidelines, practices, and standards
14 developed under subsection (c);

- 1 (ii) coordination carried out pursuant
- 2 to subsection (d); and
- 3 (iii) development of a comprehensive
- 4 space traffic management framework.

