

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require support and funding for uncrewed commercial platforms in low-Earth orbit.

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To authorize programs for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal year 2025, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. SCHMITT

Viz:

1 In section 301, add at the end the following:

2 (c) UNCREWED COMMERCIAL PLATFORMS.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the availability of
4 appropriations, the Administrator shall support and
5 fund uncrewed platforms to meet the growing de-
6 mand for observational and microgravity research
7 and commercial activities in support of United
8 States economic competitiveness and commercial
9 participation in low-Earth orbit.

10 (2) PARTNERSHIP.—The Administrator,
11 through a full and open competition process in-

1 formed by commercial market estimates, shall part-
2 ner with commercial providers to pursue phased de-
3 velopment and demonstration of technologies re-
4 quired for uncrewed platforms in low-Earth orbit,
5 including returnable uncrewed vehicles and
6 downmass capability.