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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 2, 2014

Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, and Mr. JONES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Internet Stewardship Act of 2014”.

SEC. 2. NTIA PROHIBITED FROM RELINQUISHING DNS RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information may not relinquish or agree to
relinquish the responsibilities of the National Tele-
communications and Information Administration with re-
spect to Internet domain name functions, including re-
sponsibility with respect to the authoritative root zone file,
the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority functions, or
the related root zone management functions, unless such
relinquishment is permitted by a statute enacted after the
date of the enactment of this Act.