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H. R. 1056

To provide that a project for the collocation of a personal wireless service facility is not subject to requirements to prepare certain environmental or historical preservation reviews.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2021

Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Wireless Broadband
5 Competition and Efficient Deployment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPLICATION OF NEPA AND NHPA TO COLLOCA-**
2 **TION OF CERTAIN PERSONAL WIRELESS**
3 **SERVICE FACILITIES.**

4 (a) NEPA EXEMPTION.—A covered project shall not
5 be subject to the requirements of section 102(2)(C) of the
6 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
7 4332(2)(C)).

8 (b) NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT EX-
9 EMPTION.—A covered project shall not be considered an
10 undertaking under section 300320 of title 54, United
11 States Code.

12 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
14 means the Federal Communications Commission.

15 (2) COVERED PROJECT.—The term “covered
16 project” means a project—

17 (A) for—

18 (i) the mounting or installation of an
19 eligible personal wireless service facility
20 with another eligible personal wireless serv-
21 ice facility that exists at the time at which
22 a complete request for authorization of
23 such mounting or installation is filed with
24 a State or local government or instrumen-
25 tality thereof; or

1 (ii) the modification of an eligible per-
2 sonal wireless service facility; and

3 (B) for which a permit, license, or approval
4 from the Commission is required or that is oth-
5 erwise subject to the jurisdiction of the Com-
6 mission.

7 (3) ELIGIBLE PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE
8 FACILITY.—The term “eligible personal wireless
9 service facility” means any antenna, apparatus, or
10 transmitting device, and any equipment, switches,
11 wiring, cabling, power sources, shelters, or cabinets,
12 for the provision of a personal wireless service.

13 (4) PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICES.—The term
14 “personal wireless services”—

15 (A) has the meaning given such term in
16 section 332(c)(7)(C) of the Communications
17 Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 332(c)(7)(C)); and

18 (B) also includes commercial mobile data
19 service (as defined in section 6001 of the Mid-
20 dle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of
21 2012 (47 U.S.C. 1401)).

22 (5) STATE.—The term “State” means the 50
23 States, the District of Columbia, the territories and

- 1 possessions of the United States, and each federally
- 2 recognized Indian Tribe.

