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H. RES. 1271

Of inquiry requesting the President transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to activities of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration relating to broadband service.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HUDSON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Of inquiry requesting the President transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to activities of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration relating to broadband service.

1 *Resolved*, That the President of the United States is
2 requested to transmit to the House of Representatives, not
3 later than 14 days after the date of adoption of this reso-
4 lution, copies of any document, record, audio recording,
5 memorandum, call log, correspondence (electronic or oth-
6 erwise), or other communication in his possession, or any
7 portion of any document, record, audio recording, memo-
8 randum, call log, correspondence (electronic or otherwise),

1 or other communication, that refers or relates to the fol-
2 lowing:

3 (1) Communication or coordination between the
4 personnel of the Executive Office of the President
5 and the personnel of the National Telecommuni-
6 cations and Information Administration with respect
7 to—

8 (A) the Connecting Minority Communities
9 Pilot Program established under section 902 of
10 division N of the Consolidated Appropriations
11 Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260; 47 U.S.C.
12 1306);

13 (B) the Tribal Broadband Connectivity
14 Program established under section 905(c) of
15 the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021
16 (Public Law 116–260; 47 U.S.C. 1306), and
17 any amendments made to such program under
18 section 60201 of the Infrastructure Investment
19 and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58);

20 (C) the Broadband Infrastructure Program
21 established under section 905(d) of the Consoli-
22 dated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law
23 116–260; 47 U.S.C. 1306);

24 (D) the Broadband Equity, Access, and
25 Deployment Program established under section

1 60102(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and
2 Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C.
3 1702), including any communication or coordi-
4 nation relating to—

5 (i) the definition of reliable broadband
6 service;

7 (ii) rate regulation;

8 (iii) the definition of unserved areas
9 that may be served by fixed wireless using
10 unlicensed spectrum; and

11 (iv) use of the maps of the Federal
12 Communications Commission, as required
13 by section 802(c)(2) of the Communica-
14 tions Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 642(c)(2)) in
15 order to make funding determinations;

16 (E) the State Digital Equity Capacity
17 Grant Program established under section 60304
18 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
19 (Public Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C. 1723);

20 (F) the Digital Equity Competitive Grant
21 Program established under section 60305 of the
22 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public
23 Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C. 1724); or

24 (G) the program established under section
25 60401(c) of the Infrastructure Investment and

1 Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C. 1741)
2 to make grants available for the construction,
3 improvement, or acquisition of middle mile in-
4 frastructure.

5 (2) Communication or coordination between the
6 personnel of the Office of Vice President and the
7 personnel of the National Telecommunications and
8 Information Administration and the personnel of the
9 Federal Communications Commission relating to
10 Federal broadband policy since the President’s an-
11 nouncement on April 28, 2021, to a joint session of
12 Congress that he asked Vice President Kamala Har-
13 ris to lead efforts to close the digital divide.

14 (3) Communication or coordination between the
15 personnel of the Executive Office of the President
16 and the personnel of National Telecommunications
17 and Information Administration, the Federal Com-
18 munications Commission, the Department of Edu-
19 cation, or the Department of Agriculture relating to
20 overlap or duplication, or the potential for overlap or
21 duplication, among programs that support
22 broadband.

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