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S 609

A bill to amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act.

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Party: Democratic • State: WV • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		May 2, 2007
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 3, 2007
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Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	$R \cdot KS$		May 14, 2007
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	$R \cdot MN$		May 21, 2007
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	$R \cdot LA$		May 24, 2007
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$		Jun 5, 2007
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	$R \cdot AK$		Jun 5, 2007
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jul 16, 2007
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	$R \cdot WY$		Jul 19, 2007
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Sep 27, 2007
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Oct 18, 2007
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO		Jul 10, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 15, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 278	Related bill	Feb 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.

Summary (as of Feb 15, 2007)

Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to make federal provisions which prohibit the obligation or expenditure of funds either in excess of appropriated amounts or in violation of sequestration orders under the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1986 inapplicable to: (1) any amount collected or received as federal universal service contributions; or (2) the expenditure or obligation of amounts attributable to such contributions.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 27, 2007: Star Print ordered on S. 609.
- Feb 15, 2007: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 15, 2007: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2038-2039)
- Feb 15, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.