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Federal Wi-Net Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Federal Wi-Net Act - Requires the Administrator of the General Services Administration (GSA) to: (1) install or retrofit wireless Internet connections in federal buildings; and (2) allow eligible carriers, upon request, to install wireless neutral host systems in all publicly accessible federal buildings.

Authorizes the executive agency controlling a federal government building to grant an easement or rights-of-way, for the installation, construction, and maintenance of wireless transmitters and backhaul transmission, to an executive agency, state, or individual applicant.

Requires the Administrator to establish a fee for awarding such easement or rights-of-way that is based on fair market prices, subject to certain exceptions. Requires any fees collected to be used by the relevant agency for construction and maintenance of Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems.

Directs the Administrator to develop one or more master contracts to govern the placement of wireless transmitters on federal government buildings.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 1, 2010:** Introduced in Senate
- **Dec 1, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8350)
- **Dec 1, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.