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Radio Spectrum Inventory Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Mar 19, 2009
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Mar 19, 2009
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Mar 19, 2009
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		May 5, 2009
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		May 5, 2009
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Jun 15, 2009
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 7, 2009
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jul 8, 2009
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Mar 15, 2010
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [I-CT]	ID · CT		Mar 26, 2010
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jun 16, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Mar 9, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Radio Spectrum Inventory Act - Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to require the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to: (1) biennially inventory each radio spectrum band, at a minimum, from 300 megahertz to 3.5 gigahertz managed by each such agency, including information on the licenses or government user assigned in the band, the total spectrum allocation of each licensee or government user, the number of deployed intentional and end-user intentional radiators, and (if available) other specified information; and (2) make the information available to the public through the Internet. Directs the NTIA and FCC to report to Congress on such inventory.

Allows a licensee or government user to petition the NTIA or the FCC for a partial or total exemption from website inclusion. Allows an exemption to be granted only to the extent that each such agency determines that disclosure of the information would be harmful to U.S. national security. Makes such exemptions applicable for a two-year period, unless there is a request for, and granting of, an extension. Requires information excluded under an exemption to be compiled and reported to Congress on a confidential basis.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2010:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Rockefeller with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 111-159.
- **Mar 9, 2010:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 309.
- **Jul 8, 2009:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 19, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 19, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.