

HR 5896

To amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture. (Jun 27, 2012)

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 27, 2012
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 8, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 5, 2012)

Amends the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to establish a process under which an incumbent service provider providing broadband service to a remote rural area may submit to the Secretary information regarding the broadband services the provider offers in the proposed service territory so that the Secretary may assess whether a submitted application meets appropriate eligibility requirements.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 27, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.
- **Jun 8, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Jun 5, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 5, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.