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Rural Spectrum Accessibility Act of 2013

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

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Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 21, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 21, 2013)

Rural Spectrum Accessibility Act of 2013 - Directs the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to establish a program under which a wireless carrier receiving a license under specified provisions of the Communications Act of 1934 may partition or disaggregate the license in order to make unused spectrum available to small carriers or carriers serving certain rural areas.

Defines "small carrier" as a carrier with not more than 1,500 employees as calculated under regulatory standards used by the Small Business Administration (SBA) to determine the number of individuals employed by a business concern on a full-time, part-time, or other basis.

Provides carriers receiving such licenses and participating in the program with a three-year extension of licenses granted under this Act.

Actions Timeline

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