

## S 3346

### ACCESS BROADBAND Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Aug 1, 2018

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Aug 1, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3346>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NV • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Aug 1, 2018
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Dec 4, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 2, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 3994	Related bill	<b>Jul 24, 2018:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Advancing Critical Connectivity Expands Service, Small Business Resources, Opportunities, Access, and Data Based on Assessed Need and Demand Act or the ACCESS BROADBAND Act**

This bill requires the Department of Commerce to establish the Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth within the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

The office shall:

- connect with communities that need access to high-speed internet and improved digital inclusion efforts;
- hold regional workshops to share best practices and effective strategies for promoting broadband access and adoption;
- develop targeted broadband training and presentations for various demographic communities through media;
- develop and distribute publications providing guidance to communities for expanding broadband access and adoption; and
- track construction and use of, and access to, any broadband infrastructure built using federal support.

**Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 1, 2018:** Introduced in Senate
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