

## HR 3478

### Local and Independent Television Protection Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. (Jul 28, 2017)

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## Sponsor

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Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 28, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

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No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jul 27, 2017)

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#### **Local and Independent Television Protection Act of 2017**

This bill requires the Federal Communications Commission to amend the National Television Multiple Ownership Rule to eliminate the UHF discount by increasing from 50% to 100% the number of attributed television households in an ultrahigh frequency (UHF) television station's designated market area.

(The number of attributed television households in a UHF television station's designated area is used to calculate the total number of television households an entity with a cognizable interest in more than one television station reaches nationally. A broadcast license cannot be granted or transferred if such license would result in the total number of television households reached nationally by an entity exceeds 39%.)

This change in the National Television Multiple Ownership Rule does not apply to an entity that had a national television audience exceeding 39% prior to September 26, 2013, if such an entity exceeds the limit only because of the increased number of television households attributed to the entity's UHF television stations.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 28, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Jul 27, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 27, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.