

## HR 2785

Community Broadband Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** May 16, 2019

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. (May 17, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/2785>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (9 total)

| Cosponsor                                   | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|---|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]                   | D · CA        |      | May 16, 2019 |
| Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]              | D · ME        |      | May 16, 2019 |
| Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]                | D · CA        |      | May 16, 2019 |
| Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]                   | D · WI        |      | May 20, 2019 |
| Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]            | D · MA        |      | Sep 10, 2019 |
| Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]              | D · MA        |      | Sep 17, 2019 |
| Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large] | D · DC        |      | Oct 4, 2019  |
| Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]                | D · CA        |      | Dec 4, 2019  |
| Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]       | D · MA        |      | Mar 12, 2020 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | May 17, 2019 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action  |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| 116 HR 2    | Related bill | <b>Jul 20, 2020:</b> Received in the Senate.   |
| 116 S 4131  | Related bill | <b>Jul 1, 2020:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. |
| 116 HR 7302 | Related bill | <b>Jun 25, 2020:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.                             |

## **Community Broadband Act of 2019**

This bill prohibits state and local entities from blocking the provision of broadband by public providers or public-private partnership providers. Further, public providers and state or local entities participating in such a partnership must administer applicable ordinances and rules without discrimination against competing private providers.

## **Actions Timeline**

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