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Protecting Community Television Act

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Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Jan 21, 2020)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (17 total)

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Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 21, 2020
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Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jan 21, 2020
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2020
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 21, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 5659	Identical bill	Jan 21, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Summary (as of Jan 21, 2020)

Protecting Community Television Act

This bill revises the definition of a franchise fee that is paid by a cable operator or cable subscriber to encompass only a tax, fee, or other monetary assessment that is imposed by a franchising authority or other governmental entity.

Actions Timeline

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