

# HR 1241

## Broadband Incentives for Communities Act

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### Committee Activity

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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

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### Related Bills

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## **Broadband Incentives for Communities Act**

This bill requires the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to establish a grant program to assist local governments and Indian tribes with efficient review and approval of zoning or permitting applications that facilitate the deployment of broadband infrastructure.

Grant recipients must use awarded funds to build application processing capacity or to purchase technology, software, and equipment to facilitate the processing of applications.

The NTIA must also establish the Local Broadband Advisory Council to develop solutions to challenges faced by local governments, Indian tribes, and infrastructure providers in facilitating wireless and broadband deployment, including in unserved and underserved communities.

## **Actions Timeline**

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