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Expanding Appalachia's Broadband Access Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 30, 2026

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 2474	Related bill	**Mar 25, 2026:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Apr 30, 2026)

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This bill requires the Government Accountability Office to study and report to Congress on the Appalachian Regional Commission's capability to incorporate satellites in broadband projects. Specifically, the study must review and analyze the capacity and cost-effectiveness of using satellite broadband service for business purposes and economic development.

Actions Timeline

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