

Union Calendar No. 28

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1339

[Report No. 118–42]

To require the Federal Communications Commission to review certain rules of the Commission and develop recommendations for rule changes to promote precision agriculture, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2023

Mr. LATTA (for himself and Ms. KELLY of Illinois) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

APRIL 25, 2023

Additional sponsors: Mr. BALDERSON, Mrs. LEE of Nevada, and Mr. ALLEN

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Reported from the Committee on Energy and Commerce; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Precision Agriculture
5 Satellite Connectivity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PRECISION AGRICULTURE SATELLITE**
7 **CONNECTIVITY.**

8 (a) REVIEW.—The Commission, in consultation with
9 the Task Force, shall—

10 (1) review the rules of the Commission relating
11 to fixed satellite service, mobile satellite service, and
12 earth exploration satellite service to determine if
13 there are rule changes that the Commission could
14 implement under existing authority to promote pre-
15 cision agriculture; and

16 (2) if the Commission determines under para-
17 graph (1) that there are rule changes that the Com-
18 mission could implement, develop recommendations
19 for how to implement the changes.

20 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 15 months after the
21 date of the enactment of this Act, the Commission shall
22 submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the
23 House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
24 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report
25 on the results of the review conducted under subsection

1 (a), including any recommendations developed under para-
2 graph (2) of such subsection.

3 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
5 means the Federal Communications Commission.

6 (2) TASK FORCE.—The term “Task Force”
7 means the Task Force for Reviewing the
8 Connectivity and Technology Needs of Precision Ag-
9 riculture in the United States established under sec-
10 tion 12511 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of
11 2018 (Public Law 115–334).

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