

105TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3442

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require schools and libraries that receive universal service support for discounted telecommunications services to establish policies governing access to material that is inappropriate for children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 11, 1998

Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. MANTON) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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 “E-Rate Policy and
5 Child Protection Act of 1998”.

1 **SEC. 2. SUPERVISION POLICIES REQUIRED.**

2 Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47
3 U.S.C. 254) is amended by adding at the end the following
4 new subsection:

5 “(1) SUPERVISION POLICIES REQUIRED.—

6 “(1) POLICY STATEMENT.—An elementary or
7 secondary school or library that obtains services or
8 preferential rates or treatment under this section
9 shall establish a policy with respect to access to ma-
10 terial that is inappropriate for children.

11 “(2) CONTINUED ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONED ON
12 STATEMENT.—After January 1, 1999, an elemen-
13 tary or secondary school or library may not continue
14 to be eligible to obtain services or preferential rates
15 or treatment under this section unless such school or
16 library has filed with the Commission, or an entity
17 designated by the Commission, a statement describ-
18 ing the policy required by paragraph (1).”.

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