

FISCHER\_Substitute (modified)

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—119th Cong., 2d Sess.****S. 2585**

To modernize and improve the Broadband Funding Map  
in order to promote the most efficient use of Federal  
funds for broadband deployment, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by Mrs. FISCHER

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Modernization, Ac-  
5 countability, and Planning for Broadband Funding Act”  
6 or the “MAP for Broadband Funding Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

8 In this Act:

9 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
10 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
11 mittees” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
2 and Transportation of the Senate; and

3 (B) the Committee on Energy and Com-  
4 merce of the House of Representatives.

5 (2) BROADBAND FUNDING MAP.—The term  
6 “Broadband Funding Map” means the Deployment  
7 Locations Map, as defined in section 60105(a) of the  
8 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C.  
9 1704(a)).

10 (3) BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term  
11 “broadband infrastructure” has the meaning given  
12 that term in section 60105(a) of the Infrastructure  
13 Investment and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1704(a)).

14 (4) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”  
15 means the Federal Communications Commission.

16 (5) NTIA.—The term “NTIA” means the Na-  
17 tional Telecommunications and Information Admin-  
18 istration.

19 **SEC. 3. BROADBAND FUNDING MAP MODERNIZATION.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commission, in coordination  
21 with NTIA, shall collect data submitted for the Broadband  
22 Funding Map by relevant Federal agencies on a reason-  
23 able and timely basis pursuant to section 60105(d) of the  
24 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1704),  
25 in order to promote the most efficient use of Federal funds

1 for broadband deployment and prevent inefficient use or  
2 fragmentation of Federal funding for broadband infra-  
3 structure.

4 (b) INQUIRY.—

5 (1) NOTICE OF INQUIRY.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-  
7 graph (B), not later than 270 days after the  
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Commission  
9 shall initiate a notice of inquiry concerning the  
10 optimum functionality and transparency of the  
11 Broadband Funding Map, including the quality  
12 and completeness of the data populated to the  
13 Broadband Funding Map.

14 (B) REQUEST FOR VOTE.—Any Commis-  
15 sioner may request a vote at the Commission  
16 level prior to the initiation of a notice of inquiry  
17 required under subparagraph (A). Upon such  
18 request, the notice of inquiry required under  
19 subparagraph (A) may not proceed unless a  
20 majority of the Commissioners vote to approve  
21 the notice of inquiry.

22 (2) EVALUATION CONSIDERATIONS.—In the in-  
23 quiry, the Commission shall include evaluation of the  
24 following considerations:

1           (A) The adequacy with which Federal  
2 agencies have been able to collect and submit  
3 the required categories of data pursuant to sec-  
4 tion 60105(d) of the Infrastructure Investment  
5 and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1704) to date.

6           (B) The usability of such existing cat-  
7 egories of data described in subparagraph (A)  
8 to the public, and whether any category should  
9 be added, eliminated, or otherwise altered for  
10 improved user experience.

11          (C) The timeliness of periodic updates  
12 from Federal agencies to the Broadband Fund-  
13 ing Map described in subparagraph (A) pursu-  
14 ant to section 60105(e) of the Infrastructure  
15 Investment and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1704).

16          (D) Whether the scope of programmatic  
17 data to be reported to the Broadband Funding  
18 Map pursuant to section 60105(d)(1) of the In-  
19 frastructure Investment and Jobs Act (47  
20 U.S.C. 1704) should be expanded.

21          (E) Whether third-party mapping data  
22 should be incorporated to improve the  
23 functionality and transparency of the  
24 Broadband Funding Map.

1 (F) Any manners in which the Commission  
2 should potentially augment or streamline the  
3 Broadband Funding Map with existing Com-  
4 mission mapping tools.

5 (3) COMPLETION.—Not later than 120 days  
6 after the initiation of the inquiry under paragraph  
7 (1), the Commission shall complete the inquiry.

8 **SEC. 4. GAO STUDY AND REPORT.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
10 date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller of the  
11 United States shall—

12 (1) conduct a study on the roles, responsibil-  
13 ities, and progress to date of Federal agencies to  
14 maintain the Broadband Funding Map and ensure  
15 the completeness and continued relevance of the  
16 Broadband Funding Map; and

17 (2) submit to the appropriate congressional  
18 committees a report on the study under paragraph  
19 (1) that includes the findings and conclusions of the  
20 Comptroller General.

21 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—In conducting the study re-  
22 quired under subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall  
23 review the following:

24 (1) The extent to which each eligible Federal  
25 agency is submitting programmatic data to the

1 Broadband Funding Map adequately and in compli-  
2 ance with section 60105 of the Infrastructure In-  
3 vestment and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1704), including  
4 identification of any—

5 (A) successful best practices in submitting  
6 such data to the Commission; and

7 (B) challenges resulting in incomplete data  
8 submissions from an agency or individual pro-  
9 gram to the Commission.

10 (2) The proficiency of the Commission's man-  
11 agement of the Broadband Funding Map and re-  
12 lated interagency collaboration.

13 (3) Whether the Commission has sufficient au-  
14 thority to collect the necessary data from Federal  
15 agencies to populate the Broadband Funding Map.

16 (4) The respective data collection efforts of  
17 NTIA pursuant to the ACCESS BROADBAND Act  
18 (47 U.S.C. 1307) and section 60105 of the Infra-  
19 structure Investment and Jobs Act ( 47 U.S.C.  
20 1704).

21 (5) The effectiveness of coordination among the  
22 Commission, NTIA, and other relevant Federal  
23 agencies that provide funding for broadband infra-  
24 structure deployment, including the Department of  
25 Agriculture, the Department of Health and Human

1 Services, the Department of the Treasury, the De-  
2 partment of Housing and Urban Development, and  
3 the Institute of Museum and Library Sciences, pur-  
4 suant to section 60105(g) of the Infrastructure In-  
5 vestment and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1704).

6 (6) How enhanced use of the Broadband Fund-  
7 ing Map by relevant Federal agencies could improve  
8 taxpayer savings.

9 (7) The feasibility and potential benefits of in-  
10 corporating third-party mapping data into the  
11 Broadband Funding Map.