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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require a report on the incentive auction repack.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. 2644

To reauthorize the Federal Communications Commission for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Ms. CANTWELL +

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Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **SEC. ____ . REPORT ON INCENTIVE AUCTION REPACK.**

3 (a) **FIRST REPORT.**—As expeditiously as possible,
4 and not later than 105 days after the completion of the
5 forward auction required under section 6403(c) of the
6 Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012
7 (47 U.S.C. 1452(c)), the Commission shall submit to the
8 appropriate congressional committees a report that con-
9 tains an analysis of—

10 (1) how many and which broadcast television li-
11 censees and other entities have submitted TV Broad-
12 caster Relocation Fund reimbursement forms;

1 (2) the aggregate amount of reimbursements
2 requested from the TV Broadcaster Relocation Fund
3 and an estimate of what resources are currently
4 available to reimburse costs reasonably incurred by
5 broadcast television licensees and other entities;

6 (3) how many television stations will be re-
7 quired to relocate to a new channel assignment fol-
8 lowing the completion of the forward auction; and

9 (4) the status of bilateral spectrum coordination
10 with Canada and Mexico.

11 (b) SECOND REPORT.—Not later than 240 days after
12 the completion of the forward auction required under sec-
13 tion 6403(c) of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Cre-
14 ation Act of 2012 (47 U.S.C. 1452(c)), the Commission
15 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees
16 a report that contains—

17 (1) a construction schedule for the relocation of
18 television stations to new channel assignments fol-
19 lowing the completion of the forward auction;

20 (2) a projection, to the extent possible, of
21 whether broadcast television viewers will face any
22 service disruptions as a result of the relocation of
23 television stations to new channel assignments;

24 (3) a projection, to the extent possible, of the
25 impact of the relocation of television stations to new

1 channel assignments on rural areas of the United
2 States and television broadcast translator services;
3 and

4 (4) what steps may be taken to accelerate the
5 relocation of television stations to new channel as-
6 signments and expedite successful forward auction
7 bidders' use of spectrum.