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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

November 29, 2016

Mr. McNerney (for himself and Mr. Kinzinger of Illinois) introduced the
following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and 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 “Improving Broadband
5 Access for Veterans Act of 2016”.
6 SEC. 2. REPORT ON PROMOTING BROADBAND INTERNET
7 ACCESS SERVICE FOR VETERANS.
8 (a) VETERAN DEFINED.—In this section, the term
9 “veteran” has the meaning given the term in section 101
10 of title 38, United States Code.
(b) **Report Required.**—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Federal Communications Commission shall submit to Congress a report on promoting broadband Internet access service for veterans, in particular low-income veterans and veterans residing in rural areas. In such report, the Commission shall—

(1) examine such access and how to promote such access; and

(2) provide findings and recommendations for Congress with respect to such access and how to promote such access.

(e) **Public Notice and Opportunity To Comment.**—In preparing the report required by subsection (b), the Commission shall provide the public with notice and an opportunity to comment on broadband Internet access service for veterans, in particular low-income veterans and veterans residing in rural areas, and how to promote such access.