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At the end of subtitle D, add the following new chapter:

**1                   CHAPTER 4—OTHER MATTER**  
**2   SEC. 3331. BARRIERS TO IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ONLINE**  
**3                   PORTAL FOR FORM 299.**

**4           (a) DEFINITIONS.—**In this section:

**5                   (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-**  
**6           GRESS.—**The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
**7           gress”** means—

**8                           (A)** the Committee on Energy and Com-  
**9                           merce** of the House of Representatives;

**10                           (B)** the Committee on Natural Resources  
**11                           of** the House of Representatives;

**12                           (C)** the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
**13                           and** Transportation of the Senate; and

**14                           (D)** the Committee on Environment and  
**15                           Public** Works of the Senate.

**16                   (2) ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—**The term “Assist-  
**17           ant** Secretary” means the Assistant Secretary of  
**18           Commerce** for Communications and Information.

1           (3) COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY.—The term  
2 “communications facility” includes—

3           (A) any infrastructure, including any  
4 transmitting device, tower, or support structure,  
5 and any equipment, switch, wiring, cabling,  
6 power source, shelter, or cabinet, associated  
7 with the licensed or permitted unlicensed wire-  
8 less or wireline transmission of any writing,  
9 sign, signal, data, image, picture, and sound of  
10 any kind; and

11           (B) any antenna or apparatus that—

12           (i) is designed for the purpose of  
13 emitting radio frequency;

14           (ii) is designed to be operated, or is  
15 operating, from a fixed location pursuant  
16 to authorization by the Commission or is  
17 using a duly authorized device that does  
18 not require an individual license; and

19           (iii) is added to a tower, building, or  
20 other structure.

21           (4) COMMUNICATIONS USE.—The term “com-  
22 munications use” means the placement and oper-  
23 ation of a communications facility.

24           (5) COMMUNICATIONS USE AUTHORIZATION.—  
25 The term “communications use authorization”

1 means an easement, right-of-way, lease, license, or  
2 other authorization to locate or modify a commu-  
3 nications facility on covered land by the Department  
4 concerned for the primary purpose of authorizing  
5 the occupancy and use of the covered land for com-  
6 munications use.

7 (6) COVERED LAND.—The term “covered land”  
8 means—

9 (A) public land administered by the Sec-  
10 retary of the Interior; and

11 (B) National Forest System land.

12 (7) DEPARTMENT CONCERNED.—The term  
13 “Department concerned” means the Department of  
14 the Interior or the Department of Agriculture.

15 (8) FORM 299.—The term “Form 299” means  
16 the form established under section 6409(b)(2)(A) of  
17 the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act  
18 of 2012 (47 U.S.C. 1455(b)(2)(A)), or any successor  
19 form.

20 (9) SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The term “Sec-  
21 retary concerned” means—

22 (A) the Secretary of the Interior, with re-  
23 spect to land administered by such Secretary;  
24 and

1 (B) the Secretary of Agriculture, with re-  
2 spect to National Forest System land.

3 (b) BARRIERS TO IMPLEMENTATION.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
5 the date of enactment of this section, and every 60  
6 days thereafter until the notification described in  
7 paragraph (2), the Assistant Secretary shall submit  
8 to the appropriate committees in Congress a report  
9 that—

10 (A) describes whether the Department con-  
11 cerned has established an online portal for the  
12 acceptance, processing, and disposal of a Form  
13 299; and

14 (B) describes any barrier to the establish-  
15 ment of an online portal for the acceptance,  
16 processing, and disposal of a Form 299.

17 (2) NOTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—The Secretary  
18 concerned shall notify the Assistant Secretary not  
19 later than 3 business days after the Department  
20 concerned has established an online portal for the  
21 acceptance, processing, and disposal of a Form 299.

