

Statements of Support: H.R. 5058, the Broadband Incentives for Communities Act

CCA Statement on Legislation to Help Communities Expand Broadband Infrastructure (August 23, 2021).

Statement by CCA President & CEO Steven K. Berry on Rep. Fletcher’s Introduction of Legislation to Help Communities Expand Broadband Infrastructure:

“I thank Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher for introducing the “Broadband Incentives for Communities Act,” which would help communities across the country access funding resources to facilitate the permitting process to upgrade and expand their broadband infrastructure. All Americans, no matter where they live, work or travel, must have access to robust mobile broadband services in today’s digital world, and sound infrastructure policies are key to ensuring all communities can connect. I thank Rep. Fletcher for her leadership on this issue; infrastructure is the backbone of wireless networks and this legislation can help bring us one step closer to closing the digital divide.”

INCOMPAS/BroadLand: Broadband Incentives for Communities Act Speeds Local Deployment

WASHINGTON, D.C. (August 23, 2021) – With the potential for record levels of investment into broadband infrastructure, it will be critical to support cities and local communities looking to speed deployment of faster, future focused networks that attract competition, investment and jobs.

To help support local officials, Representative Lizzie Fletcher (D-TX) has introduced the ‘Broadband Incentives for Communities Act’ which would make funding available to communities to train and hire employees and purchase updated technology and equipment that would facilitate the permitting process and speed deployment and increase broadband competition.

In support of the legislation, Chip Pickering, CEO of INCOMPAS, released the following statement:

“Deploying faster speed broadband networks to families and small businesses is a national priority that requires local expertise. Done right, historic broadband infrastructure funding has the potential to transform local communities by attracting new jobs, investment and more competition to every city, small town and rural area.

“The ‘Broadband Incentives for Communities Act’ introduced by Representative Lizzie Fletcher is a smart and future focused way to ensure federal broadband funding is maximized and invested wisely and quickly to help speed the deployment of new fiber and 5G networks that will grow education and economic opportunities faster and better.”

WIA Supports Rep. Lizzie Fletcher’s “Broadband Incentives for Communities Act”

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“WIA strongly supports Rep. Fletcher’s Broadband Incentives for Communities Act because it builds on the longstanding and critical partnerships between local governments and wireless infrastructure companies,” said WIA President and CEO Jonathan Adelstein. “For the U.S. to win the race to 5G, it is imperative to provide local and state governments the resources and every incentive to expedite the permitting process, which this legislation does effectively. We applaud the leadership of Rep. Fletcher and her commitment to providing connectivity to all communities.”

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