

**Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 7132, With an Amendment**

**(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)**

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 17, 2022

Ms. KUSTER (for herself and Ms. ESHOO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

To preserve safe access to communications services for survivors of domestic violence and other crimes, and for other purposes.preserve safe access to communications services for survivors of domestic violence and other crimes, and for other purposes.

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 “Safe Connections Act  
5 of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, terms used  
8 in this Act that are defined in section 345(a) of the Com-  
9 munications Act of 1934, as added by section 4 of this  
10 Act, have the meanings given those terms in such section  
11 345(a).

12 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

13 Congress finds the following:

14 (1) Domestic violence, dating violence, stalking,  
15 sexual assault, human trafficking, and related  
16 crimes are life-threatening issues and have lasting  
17 and harmful effects on individuals, families, and en-  
18 tire communities.

19 (2) Survivors often lack meaningful support  
20 and options when establishing independence from an  
21 abuser, including barriers such as financial insecu-  
22 rity and limited access to reliable communications  
23 tools to maintain essential connections with family,  
24 social safety networks, employers, and support serv-  
25 ices.

1           (3) Perpetrators of violence and abuse described  
2           in paragraph (1) increasingly use technological and  
3           communications tools to exercise control over, mon-  
4           itor, and abuse their victims.

5           (4) Communications law can play a public in-  
6           terest role in the promotion of safety, life, and prop-  
7           erty with respect to the types of violence and abuse  
8           described in paragraph (1). For example, inde-  
9           pendent access to a wireless phone plan can assist  
10          survivors in establishing security and autonomy.

11          (5) Safeguards within communications services  
12          can serve a role in preventing abuse and narrowing  
13          the digital divide experienced by survivors of abuse.

14 **SEC. 4. PROTECTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS**  
15 **WITHIN COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.**

16          Part I of title III of the Communications Act of 1934  
17          (47 U.S.C. 301 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
18          the following:

19 **“SEC. 345. PROTECTION OF SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIO-**  
20 **LENCE, HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AND RELATED**  
21 **CRIMES.**

22          “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23                  “(1) ABUSER.—The term ‘abuser’ means an in-  
24                  dividual who has committed or allegedly committed  
25                  a covered act against—

1           “(A) an individual who seeks relief under  
2 subsection (b); or

3           “(B) an individual in the care of an indi-  
4 vidual who seeks relief under subsection (b).

5           “(2) COVERED ACT.—

6           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘covered act’  
7 means conduct that constitutes—

8           “(i) a crime described in section  
9 40002(a) of the Violence Against Women  
10 Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12291(a)), includ-  
11 ing domestic violence, dating violence, sex-  
12 ual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking;

13           “(ii) an act or practice described in  
14 paragraph (11) or (12) of section 103 of  
15 the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of  
16 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102) (relating to severe  
17 forms of trafficking in persons and sex  
18 trafficking, respectively); or

19           “(iii) an act under State law, Tribal  
20 law, or the Uniform Code of Military Jus-  
21 tice that is similar to an offense described  
22 in clause (i) or (ii).

23           “(B) CONVICTION NOT REQUIRED.—Noth-  
24 ing in subparagraph (A) shall be construed to  
25 require a criminal conviction or any other deter-

1           mination of a court in order for conduct to con-  
2           stitute a covered act.

3           “(3) COVERED PROVIDER.—The term ‘covered  
4           provider’ means a provider of a private mobile serv-  
5           ice or commercial mobile service, as those terms are  
6           defined in section 332(d).

7           “(4) PRIMARY ACCOUNT HOLDER.—The term  
8           ‘primary account holder’ means an individual who is  
9           a party to a mobile service contract with a covered  
10          provider.

11          “(5) SHARED MOBILE SERVICE CONTRACT.—  
12          The term ‘shared mobile service contract’—

13                 “(A) means a mobile service contract for  
14                 an account that includes not less than 2 con-  
15                 sumers; and

16                 “(B) does not include enterprise services  
17                 offered by a covered provider.

18          “(6) SURVIVOR.—The term ‘survivor’ means an  
19          individual who is not less than 18 years old and—

20                 “(A) against whom a covered act has been  
21                 committed or allegedly committed; or

22                 “(B) who cares for another individual  
23                 against whom a covered act has been committed  
24                 or allegedly committed (provided that the indi-

1 individual providing care did not commit or alleg-  
2 edly commit the covered act).

3 “(b) SEPARATION OF LINES FROM SHARED MOBILE  
4 SERVICE CONTRACT.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 business  
6 days after receiving a completed line separation re-  
7 quest from a survivor pursuant to subsection (c), a  
8 covered provider shall, as applicable, with respect to  
9 a shared mobile service contract under which the  
10 survivor and the abuser each use a line—

11 “(A) separate the line of the survivor, and  
12 the line of any individual in the care of the sur-  
13 vivor, from the shared mobile service contract;  
14 or

15 “(B) separate the line of the abuser from  
16 the shared mobile service contract.

17 “(2) LIMITATIONS ON PENALTIES, FEES, AND  
18 OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—Except as provided in  
19 paragraphs (5) through (7), a covered provider may  
20 not make separation of a line from a shared mobile  
21 service contract under paragraph (1) contingent on  
22 any requirement other than the requirements under  
23 subsection (c), including—

24 “(A) payment of a fee, penalty, or other  
25 charge;

1           “(B) maintaining contractual or billing re-  
2           sponsibility of a separated line with the pro-  
3           vider;

4           “(C) approval of separation by the primary  
5           account holder, if the primary account holder is  
6           not the survivor;

7           “(D) a prohibition or limitation, including  
8           one described in subparagraph (A), on number  
9           portability, provided such portability is tech-  
10          nically feasible, or a request to change phone  
11          numbers;

12          “(E) a prohibition or limitation on the sep-  
13          aration of lines as a result of arrears accrued  
14          by the account;

15          “(F) an increase in the rate charged for  
16          the mobile service plan of the primary account  
17          holder with respect to service on any remaining  
18          line or lines; or

19          “(G) any other limitation or requirement  
20          not listed under subsection (c).

21          “(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in  
22          paragraph (2) shall be construed to require a cov-  
23          ered provider to provide a rate plan for the primary  
24          account holder that is not otherwise commercially  
25          available.

1           “(4) REMOTE OPTION.—A covered provider  
2 shall offer a survivor the ability to submit a line sep-  
3 aration request under subsection (c) through secure  
4 remote means that are easily navigable, provided  
5 that remote options are commercially available and  
6 technically feasible.

7           “(5) RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRANSFERRED  
8 TELEPHONE NUMBERS.—Notwithstanding para-  
9 graph (2), beginning on the date on which a covered  
10 provider transfers billing responsibilities for and use  
11 of a telephone number or numbers to a survivor  
12 under paragraph (1)(A) in response to a line separa-  
13 tion request submitted by the survivor under sub-  
14 section (c), unless ordered otherwise by a court, the  
15 survivor shall assume financial responsibility, includ-  
16 ing for monthly service costs, for the transferred  
17 telephone number or numbers.

18           “(6) RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRANSFERRED  
19 TELEPHONE NUMBERS FROM A SURVIVOR’S AC-  
20 COUNT.—Notwithstanding paragraph (2), upon the  
21 transfer of a telephone number under paragraph  
22 (1)(B) in response to a line separation request sub-  
23 mitted by a survivor under subsection (c), the sur-  
24 vivor shall have no further financial responsibilities  
25 to the transferring covered provider for the services

1 provided by the transferring covered provider for the  
2 telephone number or for any mobile device associ-  
3 ated with the telephone number.

4 “(7) RESPONSIBILITY FOR MOBILE DEVICE.—  
5 Notwithstanding paragraph (2), beginning on the  
6 date on which a covered provider transfers billing re-  
7 sponsibilities for and rights to a telephone number  
8 or numbers to a survivor under paragraph (1)(A) in  
9 response to a line separation request submitted by  
10 the survivor under subsection (c), unless otherwise  
11 ordered by a court, the survivor shall not assume fi-  
12 nancial responsibility for any mobile device associ-  
13 ated with the separated line, unless the survivor pur-  
14 chased the mobile device, or affirmatively elects to  
15 maintain possession of the mobile device.

16 “(8) NOTICE TO SURVIVOR.—If a covered pro-  
17 vider separates a line from a shared mobile service  
18 contract under paragraph (1) and the primary ac-  
19 count holder is not the survivor, the covered provider  
20 shall notify the survivor of the date on which the  
21 covered provider intends to give any formal notice to  
22 the primary account holder.

23 “(c) LINE SEPARATION REQUEST.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a survivor  
25 seeking to separate a line from a shared mobile serv-

1 ice contract, the survivor shall submit to the covered  
2 provider a line separation request that—

3 “(A) verifies that an individual who uses a  
4 line under the shared mobile service contract  
5 has committed or allegedly committed a covered  
6 act against the survivor or an individual in the  
7 survivor’s care, by providing—

8 “(i) a copy of a signed affidavit from  
9 a licensed medical or mental health care  
10 provider, licensed military medical or men-  
11 tal health care provider, licensed social  
12 worker, victim services provider, or licensed  
13 military victim services provider, or an em-  
14 ployee of a court, acting within the scope  
15 of that person’s employment; or

16 “(ii) a copy of a police report, state-  
17 ments provided by police, including mili-  
18 tary police, to magistrates or judges,  
19 charging documents, protective or restrain-  
20 ing orders, military protective orders, or  
21 any other official record that documents  
22 the covered act;

23 “(B) in the case of relief sought under  
24 subsection (b)(1)(A), with respect to—

1                   “(i) a line used by the survivor that  
2                   the survivor seeks to have separated, states  
3                   that the survivor is the user of that spe-  
4                   cific line; and

5                   “(ii) a line used by an individual in  
6                   the care of the survivor that the survivor  
7                   seeks to have separated, includes an affi-  
8                   davit setting forth that the individual—

9                                   “(I) is in the care of the survivor;  
10                                  and

11                                 “(II) is the user of that specific  
12                                 line; and

13                   “(C) requests relief under subparagraph  
14                   (A) or (B) of subsection (b)(1) and identifies  
15                   each line that should be separated.

16                   “(2) COMMUNICATIONS FROM COVERED PRO-  
17                   VIDERS.—

18                                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A covered provider  
19                   shall notify a survivor seeking relief under sub-  
20                   section (b) in clear and accessible language that  
21                   the covered provider may contact the survivor,  
22                   or designated representative of the survivor, to  
23                   confirm the line separation, or if the covered  
24                   provider is unable to complete the line separa-

1           tion for any reason, pursuant to subparagraphs  
2           (B) and (C).

3           “(B) REMOTE MEANS.—A covered provider  
4           shall notify a survivor under subparagraph (A)  
5           through remote means, provided that remote  
6           means are commercially available and tech-  
7           nically feasible.

8           “(C) ELECTION OF MANNER OF CON-  
9           TACT.—When completing a line separation re-  
10          quest submitted by a survivor through remote  
11          means under paragraph (1), a covered provider  
12          shall allow the survivor to elect in the manner  
13          in which the covered provider may—

14                 “(i) contact the survivor, or des-  
15                 ignated representative of the survivor, in  
16                 response to the request, if necessary; or

17                 “(ii) notify the survivor, or designated  
18                 representative of the survivor, of the inabil-  
19                 ity of the covered provider to complete the  
20                 line separation.

21          “(3) ENHANCED PROTECTIONS UNDER STATE  
22          LAW.—This subsection shall not affect any law or  
23          regulation of a State providing communications pro-  
24          tections for survivors (or any similar category of in-  
25          dividuals) that has less stringent requirements for

1 providing evidence of a covered act (or any similar  
2 category of conduct) than this subsection.

3 “(d) CONFIDENTIAL AND SECURE TREATMENT OF  
4 PERSONAL INFORMATION.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section  
6 222(c)(2), a covered provider and any officer, direc-  
7 tor, employee, vendor, or agent thereof shall treat  
8 any information submitted by a survivor under sub-  
9 section (c) as confidential and securely dispose of  
10 the information not later than 90 days after receiv-  
11 ing the information.

12 “(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in  
13 paragraph (1) shall be construed to prohibit a cov-  
14 ered provider from maintaining, for longer than the  
15 period specified in that paragraph, a record that  
16 verifies that a survivor fulfilled the conditions of a  
17 line separation request under subsection (c).

18 “(e) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION TO CON-  
19 SUMERS.—A covered provider shall make information  
20 about the options and process described in subsections (b)  
21 and (c) readily available to consumers—

22 “(1) on the website and the mobile application  
23 of the provider;

24 “(2) in physical stores; and

1           “(3) in other forms of public-facing consumer  
2 communication.

3           “(f) TECHNICAL INFEASIBILITY.—

4           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The requirement to effec-  
5 tuate a line separation request pursuant to sub-  
6 section (b)(1) shall not apply to a covered provider  
7 if the covered provider cannot operationally or tech-  
8 nically effectuate the request.

9           “(2) NOTIFICATION.—If a covered provider can-  
10 not operationally or technically effectuate a line sep-  
11 aration request as described in paragraph (1), the  
12 covered provider shall—

13           “(A) notify the survivor who submitted the  
14 request of that infeasibility—

15           “(i) at the time of the request; or

16           “(ii) in the case of a survivor who has  
17 submitted the request using remote means,  
18 not later than 2 business days after receiv-  
19 ing the request; and

20           “(B) provide the survivor with information  
21 about other alternatives to submitting a line  
22 separation request, including starting a new  
23 line of service.

24           “(g) LIABILITY PROTECTION.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—A covered provider and any  
2           officer, director, employee, vendor, or agent thereof  
3           shall not be subject to liability for any claims deriv-  
4           ing from an action taken or omission made with re-  
5           spect to compliance with this section and the rules  
6           adopted to implement this section.

7           “(2) COMMISSION AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this  
8           subsection shall limit the authority of the Commis-  
9           sion to enforce this section or any rules or regula-  
10          tions promulgated by the Commission pursuant to  
11          this section.”.

12 **SEC. 5. RULEMAKING ON PROTECTIONS FOR SURVIVORS**  
13 **OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.**

14          (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

15               (1) the term “Affordable Connectivity Pro-  
16               gram” means the program established under section  
17               904(b) of division N of the Consolidated Appropria-  
18               tions Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260), as amended  
19               by section 60502 of the Infrastructure Investment  
20               and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58), or any suc-  
21               cessor program;

22               (2) the term “appropriate congressional com-  
23               mittees” means the Committee on Commerce,  
24               Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the

1 Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House  
2 of Representatives;

3 (3) the term “Commission” means the Federal  
4 Communications Commission;

5 (4) the term “covered hotline” means a hotline  
6 related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual  
7 assault, stalking, sex trafficking, severe forms of  
8 trafficking in persons, or any other similar act;

9 (5) the term “designated program” means the  
10 program designated by the Commission under sub-  
11 section (b)(2)(A)(i) to provide emergency commu-  
12 nications support to survivors;

13 (6) the term “Lifeline program” means the pro-  
14 gram set forth in subpart E of part 54 of title 47,  
15 Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regu-  
16 lation);

17 (7) the term “text message” has the meaning  
18 given the term in section 227(e)(8) of the Commu-  
19 nications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 227(e)(8)); and

20 (8) the term “voice service” has the meaning  
21 given such term in section 4(a) of the Pallone-Thune  
22 Telephone Robocall Abuse Criminal Enforcement  
23 and Deterrence Act (47 U.S.C. 227b(a)).

24 (b) RULEMAKINGS.—

25 (1) LINE SEPARATIONS.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18  
2 months after the date of enactment of this Act,  
3 the Commission shall adopt rules to implement  
4 section 345 of the Communications Act of  
5 1934, as added by section 4 of this Act.

6 (B) CONSIDERATIONS.—In adopting rules  
7 under subparagraph (A), the Commission shall  
8 consider—

9 (i) privacy protections;

10 (ii) account security and fraud detec-  
11 tion;

12 (iii) account billing procedures;

13 (iv) procedures for notification of sur-  
14 vivors about line separation processes;

15 (v) notice to primary account holders;

16 (vi) situations in which a covered pro-  
17 vider cannot operationally or technically  
18 separate a telephone number or numbers  
19 from a shared mobile service contract such  
20 that the provider cannot effectuate a line  
21 separation request;

22 (vii) the requirements for remote sub-  
23 mission of a line separation request, in-  
24 cluding how that option facilitates submis-  
25 sion of verification information and meets

1 the other requirements of section 345 of  
2 the Communications Act of 1934, as added  
3 by section 4 of this Act;

4 (viii) feasibility of remote options for  
5 small covered providers;

6 (ix) implementation timelines, includ-  
7 ing those for small covered providers;

8 (x) financial responsibility for trans-  
9 ferred telephone numbers;

10 (xi) whether and how the survivor can  
11 affirmatively elect to take financial respon-  
12 sibility for the mobile device associated  
13 with the separated line;

14 (xii) compliance with subpart U of  
15 part 64 of title 47, Code of Federal Regu-  
16 lations, or any successor regulations (relat-  
17 ing to customer proprietary network infor-  
18 mation) or any other legal or law enforce-  
19 ment requirements; and

20 (xiii) ensuring covered providers have  
21 the necessary account information to com-  
22 ply with the rules and with section 345 of  
23 the Communications Act of 1934, as added  
24 by section 4 of this Act.

1           (2) EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT  
2           FOR SURVIVORS.—

3           (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18  
4           months after the date of enactment of this Act,  
5           or as part of a general rulemaking proceeding  
6           relating to the Lifeline program or the Afford-  
7           able Connectivity Program, whichever occurs  
8           earlier, the Commission shall adopt rules that—

9                   (i) designate a single program, which  
10                   shall be either the Lifeline program or the  
11                   Affordable Connectivity Program, to pro-  
12                   vide emergency communications support to  
13                   survivors in accordance with this para-  
14                   graph; and

15                   (ii) allow a survivor who is suffering  
16                   from financial hardship and meets the re-  
17                   quirements under section 345(e)(1) of the  
18                   Communications Act of 1934, as added by  
19                   section 4 of this Act, without regard to  
20                   whether the survivor meets the otherwise  
21                   applicable eligibility requirements of the  
22                   designated program, to—

23                           (I) enroll in the designated pro-  
24                           gram as quickly as is feasible; and

1 (II) participate in the designated  
2 program based on such qualifications  
3 for not more than 6 months.

4 (B) CONSIDERATIONS.—In adopting rules  
5 under subparagraph (A), the Commission shall  
6 consider—

7 (i) how survivors who are eligible for  
8 relief and elected to separate a line under  
9 section 345(c)(1) of the Communications  
10 Act of 1934, as added by section 4 of this  
11 Act, but whose lines could not be separated  
12 due to operational or technical infeasibility,  
13 can participate in the designated program;  
14 and

15 (ii) confidentiality in the transfer and  
16 retention of any necessary documentation  
17 regarding the eligibility of a survivor to en-  
18 roll in the designated program.

19 (C) EVALUATION.—Not later than 2 years  
20 after completing the rulemaking under subpara-  
21 graph (A), the Commission shall—

22 (i) evaluate the effectiveness of the  
23 Commission's provision of support to sur-  
24 vivors through the designated program;

1                   (ii) assess the detection and elimi-  
2                   nation of fraud, waste, and abuse with re-  
3                   spect to the support described in clause (i);  
4                   and

5                   (iii) submit to the appropriate con-  
6                   gressional committees a report that in-  
7                   cludes the evaluation and assessment de-  
8                   scribed in clauses (i) and (ii), respectively.

9                   (D) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in  
10                  this paragraph shall be construed to limit the  
11                  ability of a survivor who meets the require-  
12                  ments under section 345(c)(1) of the Commu-  
13                  nications Act of 1934, as added by section 4 of  
14                  this Act, to participate in the designated pro-  
15                  gram indefinitely if the survivor otherwise quali-  
16                  fies for the designated program under the rules  
17                  of the designated program.

18                  (E) NOTIFICATION.—A covered provider  
19                  that receives a line separation request pursuant  
20                  to section 345 of the Communications Act of  
21                  1934, as added by section 4 of this Act, shall  
22                  inform the survivor who submitted the request  
23                  of—

24                               (i) the existence of the designated pro-  
25                               gram;

1 (ii) who qualifies to participate in the  
2 designated program under the rules adopt-  
3 ed under subparagraph (A) that are spe-  
4 cially applicable to survivors; and

5 (iii) how to participate in the des-  
6 ignated program under the rules described  
7 in clause (ii).

8 (3) HOTLINE CALLS.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
10 days after the date of enactment of this Act,  
11 the Commission shall commence a rulemaking  
12 proceeding to consider whether to, and how the  
13 Commission should—

14 (i) establish, and update on a monthly  
15 basis, a central database of covered hot-  
16 lines to be used by a covered provider or  
17 a wireline provider of voice service; and

18 (ii) require a covered provider or a  
19 wireline provider of voice service to omit  
20 from consumer-facing logs of calls or text  
21 messages any records of calls or text mes-  
22 sages to covered hotlines in the central  
23 database described in clause (i), while  
24 maintaining internal records of those calls  
25 and messages.

1 (B) CONSIDERATIONS.—The rulemaking  
2 conducted under subparagraph (A) shall include  
3 consideration of—

4 (i) the ability of law enforcement  
5 agencies or survivors to access a log of  
6 calls or text messages in a criminal inves-  
7 tigation or civil proceeding;

8 (ii) the ability of a covered provider or  
9 a wireline provider of voice service to—

10 (I) identify logs that are con-  
11 sumer-facing; and

12 (II) omit certain consumer-facing  
13 logs, while maintaining internal  
14 records of such calls and text mes-  
15 sages; and

16 (iii) any other factors associated with  
17 the implementation of clauses (i) and (ii)  
18 to protect survivors, including factors that  
19 may impact smaller providers.

20 (C) NO EFFECT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT.—  
21 Nothing in subparagraph (A) shall be construed  
22 to—

23 (i) limit or otherwise affect the ability  
24 of a law enforcement agency to access a

1 log of calls or text messages in a criminal  
2 investigation; or

3 (ii) alter or otherwise expand provider  
4 requirements under the Communications  
5 Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (Pub-  
6 lic Law 103–414; 108 Stat. 4279) or the  
7 amendments made by that Act.

8 (D) COMPLIANCE.—If the Commission es-  
9 tablishes a central database through the rule-  
10 making under subparagraph (A) and a covered  
11 provider updates its own databases to match  
12 the central database not less frequently than  
13 once every 30 days, no cause of action shall lie  
14 or be maintained in any court against the cov-  
15 ered provider or its officers, employees, or  
16 agents for claims deriving from omission from  
17 consumer-facing logs of calls or text messages  
18 of any records of calls or text messages to cov-  
19 ered hotlines in the central database.

20 **SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

21 The requirements under section 345 of the Commu-  
22 nications Act of 1934, as added by section 4 of this Act,  
23 shall take effect 60 days after the date on which the Fed-  
24 eral Communications Commission adopts the rules imple-

1 mentioning that section pursuant to section 5(b)(1) of this  
2 Act.

3 **SEC. 7. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

4 Nothing in this Act or the amendments made by this  
5 Act shall be construed to abrogate, limit, or otherwise af-  
6 fect the provisions set forth in the Communications Assist-  
7 ance for Law Enforcement Act (Public Law 103–414; 108  
8 Stat. 4279) and the amendments made by that Act, any  
9 authority granted to the Federal Communications Com-  
10 mission pursuant to that Act or the amendments made  
11 by that Act, or any regulations promulgated by the Fed-  
12 eral Communications Commission pursuant to that Act or  
13 the amendments made by that Act.

14 **SEC. 8. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

15 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of  
16 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,  
17 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement  
18 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this  
19 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record  
20 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-  
21 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the  
22 vote on passage.