

AMENDMENT TO SUBTITLE L
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Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 3____. BARRIERS TO IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ONLINE**
2 **PORTAL FOR FORM 299.**

3 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

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

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

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

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

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

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

18 (3) COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY.—The term
19 “communications facility” includes—

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

9 (B) any antenna or apparatus that—

10 (i) is designed for the purpose of
11 emitting radio frequency;

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

17 (iii) is added to a tower, building, or
18 other structure.

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

22 (5) COMMUNICATIONS USE AUTHORIZATION.—
23 The term “communications use authorization”
24 means an easement, right-of-way, lease, license, or
25 other authorization to locate or modify a commu-

1 nications facility on covered land by the Department
2 concerned for the primary purpose of authorizing
3 the occupancy and use of the covered land for com-
4 munications use.

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

7 (A) public land administered by the Sec-
8 retary of the Interior; and

9 (B) National Forest System land.

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

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

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

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

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

25 (b) BARRIERS TO IMPLEMENTATION.—

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

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

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

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

