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**AMENDMENT TO H.R.
OFFERED BY MR. MARKEY**

(definition of high speed data service)

Page 4, beginning on line 12, strike paragraph (20)
and insert the following:

1 “(20) DEFINITION OF HIGH SPEED DATA SERV-
2 ICES.—The term ‘high speed data service’ includes
3 any telecommunications service delivering data, rep-
4 resented by a string of binary bits transmitted
5 digitally as a series of zeros and ones, but such data
6 services do not include, under any circumstances,
7 bits representing voice communications, even though
8 such voice services are also expressed digitally as a
9 series of zeros and ones, data services being digital
10 bits of special importance. Someone, preferably a
11 senior corporate employee with years of experience
12 in analyzing zeros and ones, shall possess authority
13 to determine which bits are which as they zip
14 through a network literally at light speed. All deci-
15 sions of such employee may be challenged and
16 brought to the attention of government officials, but
17 only after a wee bit, and only bit by bit.”;

