H. RES. 1271

Of inquiry requesting the President transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to activities of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration relating to broadband service.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 26, 2022

Mr. HUDSON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Of inquiry requesting the President transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to activities of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration relating to broadband service.

Resolved, That the President of the United States is requested to transmit to the House of Representatives, not later than 14 days after the date of adoption of this resolution, copies of any document, record, audio recording, memorandum, call log, correspondence (electronic or otherwise), or other communication in his possession, or any portion of any document, record, audio recording, memorandum, call log, correspondence (electronic or otherwise),
or other communication, that refers or relates to the fol-
lowing:

(1) Communication or coordination between the
personnel of the Executive Office of the President
and the personnel of the National Telecommuni-
cations and Information Administration with respect
to—

(A) the Connecting Minority Communities
Pilot Program established under section 902 of
division N of the Consolidated Appropriations
Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260; 47 U.S.C.
1306);

(B) the Tribal Broadband Connectivity
Program established under section 905(e) of
the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021
(Public Law 116–260; 47 U.S.C. 1306), and
any amendments made to such program under
section 60201 of the Infrastructure Investment
and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58);

(C) the Broadband Infrastructure Program
established under section 905(d) of the Consoli-
dated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law
116–260; 47 U.S.C. 1306);

(D) the Broadband Equity, Access, and
Deployment Program established under section
60102(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and
Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C.
1702), including any communication or coordi-
nation relating to—

(i) the definition of reliable broadband
service;

(ii) rate regulation;

(iii) the definition of unserved areas
that may be served by fixed wireless using
unlicensed spectrum; and

(iv) use of the maps of the Federal
Communications Commission, as required
by section 802(c)(2) of the Communi-
tations Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 642(c)(2)) in
order to make funding determinations;

(E) the State Digital Equity Capacity
Grant Program established under section 60304
of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
(Public Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C. 1723);

(F) the Digital Equity Competitive Grant
Program established under section 60305 of the
Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public
Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C. 1724); or

(G) the program established under section
60401(c) of the Infrastructure Investment and
Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58; 47 U.S.C. 1741) to make grants available for the construction, improvement, or acquisition of middle mile infrastructure.

(2) Communication or coordination between the personnel of the Office of Vice President and the personnel of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the personnel of the Federal Communications Commission relating to Federal broadband policy since the President’s announcement on April 28, 2021, to a joint session of Congress that he asked Vice President Kamala Harris to lead efforts to close the digital divide.

(3) Communication or coordination between the personnel of the Executive Office of the President and the personnel of National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the Federal Communications Commission, the Department of Education, or the Department of Agriculture relating to overlap or duplication, or the potential for overlap or duplication, among programs that support broadband.