

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**H. R.** _____

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for a quarterly report on pending requests for action by the Federal Communications Commission and pending congressional investigations of the Commission.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. CLARKE of New York introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. REPORT ON PENDING REQUESTS FOR ACTION**
2 **BY FCC AND PENDING CONGRESSIONAL IN-**
3 **VESTIGATIONS OF FCC.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4 of the Communications
5 Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 154) is amended by adding at
6 the end the following:

7 “(p) Not later than 14 days after the end of each
8 quarter of a calendar year, the Commission shall publish
9 on the Internet website of the Commission and submit to
10 Congress a report that contains—

11 “(1) for the petitions, applications, complaints,
12 and other requests for action by the Commission
13 that were pending at the Commission on the last day
14 of such quarter—

15 “(A) the number of such requests, broken
16 down by the bureau primarily responsible for
17 action and, for each bureau, the type of request
18 (such as a petition, application, or complaint);
19 and

20 “(B) information regarding the amount of
21 time for which such requests have been pend-
22 ing, broken down as described in subparagraph
23 (A); and

24 “(2) a list of the congressional investigations of
25 the Commission that were pending on the last day

1 of such quarter and the cost of such investigations,
2 individually and in the aggregate.”.

3 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
4 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to the quarter that
5 ends immediately after the date that is 90 days after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act.