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H. R. 583

To direct the Federal Communications Commission to revoke certain changes to the ownership reporting requirements for noncommercial educational broadcast stations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 2017

Mrs. BLACKBURN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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,*

3 **SECTION 1. RELIEF FROM CERTAIN OWNERSHIP REPORT-**
4 **ING REQUIREMENTS FOR NONCOMMERCIAL**
5 **EDUCATIONAL BROADCAST STATIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, except as provided in
8 subsection (b), the Federal Communications Commission
9 shall take all actions necessary to—

1 (1) revoke the changes to paragraphs (d), (e),
2 and (f) of section 73.3615 of title 47, Code of Fed-
3 eral Regulations, and to Schedule 323–E of FCC
4 Form 2100 that were adopted by the Commission on
5 January 8, 2016, in the Report and Order, Second
6 Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration in
7 the matter of Promoting Diversification of Owner-
8 ship in the Broadcasting Services (FCC 16–1); and

9 (2) maintain in effect or restore to effect such
10 paragraphs and such Form as in effect immediately
11 before the adoption of such Report and Order.

12 (b) RETENTION OF CHANGE TO FILING DEADLINE
13 FOR BIENNIAL REPORTS.—In taking the actions required
14 by subsection (a), the Commission shall retain the filing
15 deadline of December 1 in all odd-numbered years for bi-
16 ennial ownership reports of noncommercial educational
17 broadcast stations, but with information current as of a
18 date not more than 60 days prior to the filing of the re-
19 port. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to pro-
20 hibit the Commission from changing such deadline in a
21 rulemaking proceeding that is conducted separately from
22 any proceeding in which the Commission takes the actions
23 required by subsection (a).

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