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To require the Federal Communications Commission to make the provision of Wi-Fi access on school buses eligible for E-rate support.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 12, 2019

Mr. UDALL (for himself, Mr. GARDNER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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. E-RATE SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL BUS WI-FI.**

4 (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “school
5 bus” means a passenger motor vehicle that is—

6 (1) designed to carry a driver and not less than
7 5 passengers; and

8 (2) used significantly to transport early child
9 education, elementary school, or secondary school

1 students to or from school or an event related to
2 school.

3 (b) RULEMAKING.—Notwithstanding the limitations
4 under paragraphs (1)(B) and (2)(A) of section 254(h) of
5 the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 254(h)) re-
6 garding the authorized recipients and uses of discounted
7 telecommunications services, not later than 180 days after
8 the date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Commu-
9 nications Commission shall commence a rulemaking to
10 make the provision of Wi-Fi access on school buses eligible
11 for support under the E-rate program of the Commission
12 set forth under subpart F of part 54 of title 47, Code
13 of Federal Regulations.

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