

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1754

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 21, 2021

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to consider market entry barriers for socially disadvantaged individuals in the communications marketplace report under section 13 of such Act.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Measuring the Eco-
3 nomics Driving Investments and Access for Diversity Act
4 of 2021” or the “MEDIA Diversity Act of 2021”.

5 **SEC. 2. CONSIDERING MARKET ENTRY BARRIERS FOR SO-**
6 **cially DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS.**

7 Section 13(d) of the Communications Act of 1934
8 (47 U.S.C. 163(d)) is amended by adding at the end the
9 following:

10 “(4) CONSIDERING SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED
11 INDIVIDUALS.—In assessing the state of competition
12 under subsection (b)(1) and regulatory barriers
13 under subsection (b)(3), the Commission, with the
14 input of the Office of Communications Business Op-
15 portunities of the Commission, shall consider market
16 entry barriers for socially disadvantaged individuals
17 in the communications marketplace in accordance
18 with the national policy under section 257(b).”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 20, 2021.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.