

Patty Murray

a AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To add a provision to clarify eligibility and establish an eligibility appeal mechanism under the rural broadband loan and grant pilot program.

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MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL) to the amendment (No. 3399) proposed by Mr. SHELBY

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place in division C, insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 SEC. _____. In administering the pilot program es-
4 tablished by section 779 of division A of the Consolidated
5 Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141), the Sec-
6 retary of Agriculture shall—

7 (1) ensure that applicants that are determined
8 to be ineligible for the pilot program have a means
9 of appealing or otherwise challenging that deter-
10 mination in a timely fashion; and

1 (2) in determining whether an entity may over-
2 build or duplicate broadband expansion efforts made
3 by any entity that has received a broadband loan
4 from the Rural Utilities Service, not consider loans
5 that were rescinded or defaulted on, or loans the
6 terms and conditions of which were not met, if the
7 entity under consideration has not previously de-
8 faulted on, or failed to meet the terms and condi-
9 tions of, a Rural Utilities Service loan or had a
10 Rural Utilities Service loan rescinded.