

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 5173

To apply the Freedom of Information Act to actions and decisions of the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information in carrying out the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 8, 2023

Mr. PFLUGER (for himself, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. FULCHER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Broadband Buildout  
5 Accountability Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPLICABILITY OF FOIA TO THE BROADBAND EQ-**  
2 **UITY, ACCESS, AND DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM.**

3 Section 60102(o)(2) of the Infrastructure Investment  
4 and Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1702(o)(2)) is amended by in-  
5 serting after “Act’)” the following: “, except for section  
6 552 of that title (commonly referred to as the ‘Freedom  
7 of Information Act’)”.

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