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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LATTA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ______________________

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 Mapping
5 After Public Scrutiny Act of 2019” or the “Broadband
6 MAPS Act of 2019”.

(Original Signature of Member)
SEC. 2. VERIFICATION OF BROADBAND SERVICE COVERAGE DATA.

(a) Rulemaking.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commission shall initiate a rulemaking to establish a challenge process to collect and use fixed and mobile broadband service coverage data submitted to the Commission by private entities and State, local, and Tribal government entities to verify fixed and mobile broadband service coverage data reported to the Commission by fixed and mobile broadband service providers.

(b) Data Submission Standards.—The process established under subsection (a) shall include uniform standards for data submitted through such process to ensure consistent and accurate reporting methods.

(c) Data Validation.—The process established under subsection (a) shall include an evidence-based method to validate the accuracy of data submitted through such process.

(d) Definitions.—In this section:

(1) Commission.—The term “Commission” means the Federal Communications Commission.

(2) State.—The term “State” has the meaning given such term in section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 153).