IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. Smith, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

A BILL

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to modify the definition of franchise fee, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Community Television Act”.

SEC. 2. MODIFYING THE DEFINITION OF FRANCHISE FEE.

Section 622(g)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 542(g)(1)) is amended—
(1) by striking “includes” and inserting “means”; and

(2) by inserting “other monetary” before “assessment”.