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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. DEMINT introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

# 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 "Next Generation Tele-
- 5 vision Marketplace Act of 2011".

1	SEC. 2. REPEAL OF REGULATORY INTERVENTION IN THE
2	TELEVISION MARKETPLACE UNDER THE
3	COMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1934.
4	(a) IN GENERAL.—The following sections of the
5	Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 151 et seq.) are
6	repealed:
7	(1) Section 339 (47 U.S.C. 339).
8	(2) Section 340 (47 U.S.C. 340).
9	(3) Section 341 (47 U.S.C. 341).
10	(4) Section 342 (47 U.S.C. 342).
11	(5) Section 612 (47 U.S.C. 532).
12	(6) Section 614 (47 U.S.C. 534).
13	(7) Section 712 (47 U.S.C. 612).
14	(b) Additional Repeal.—
15	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 325 of the Commu-
16	nications Act of 1934 is amended—
17	(A) by striking subsections (b) and (e);
18	and
19	(B) by redesignating subsections (c) and
20	(d) as subsections (b) and (c), respectively.
21	(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-
22	MENT.—Section $309(c)(2)(F)$ of the Communica-
23	tions Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. $309(c)(2)(F)$ ) is
24	amended by striking "section 325(c)" and inserting
25	"section 325(b)".

(c) Amendments.—Section 338 of the Communica-
tions Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 338) is amended—
(1) in subsection (a)—
(A) in paragraph (1)—
(i) by striking ", under section 122 of
title 17, United States Code, secondary
transmissions" and inserting "signals of a
qualified noncommercial educational tele-
vision station"; and
(ii) by striking "a television broadcast
station" and all that follows through "sec-
tion 325(b)." and inserting "such station
shall carry upon request the signals of all
qualified noncommercial educational tele-
vision stations located within that local
market.";
(B) by striking paragraphs (2) and (4);
(C) by redesignating paragraphs $(3)$ and
(5) as paragraphs $(2)$ and $(3)$ , respectively;
(D) in paragraph (2), as redesignated—
(i) by striking "whose signals" and all
that follows through "Code,";
(ii) by striking "regardless" and all
that follows through "such title,"; and

1	(E) in paragraph (3)(B), as redesignated,
2	by inserting "through the date before the date
3	of enactment of the Next Generation Television
4	Marketplace Act of 2011," after "Act of 2010"
5	(2) in subsection (b)—
6	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking " $(1)$
7	COSTS.—A television broadcast station" and in-
8	serting "A qualified noncommercial educational
9	television station"; and
10	(B) by striking paragraph (2);
11	(3) in subsection (c)—
12	(A) by striking paragraph (1); and
13	(B) in paragraph $(2)$ —
14	(i) by striking "(2) Noncommercial
15	STATIONS.—The" and inserting "The";
16	and
17	(ii) by striking "local noncommercial
18	television broadcast stations" and inserting
19	"qualified noncommercial educational tele-
20	vision stations";
21	(4) in subsection (d)—
22	(A) by striking "local television broadcast
23	station" and inserting "qualified noncommercial
24	educational television station";

1	(B) by striking "local television broadcast
2	stations" and inserting "qualified noncommer-
3	cial educational television station"; and
4	(C) by striking "contiguous channels" and
5	inserting "channels reasonably contiguous with
6	other television broadcast channels";
7	(5) in subsection (e), by striking "local tele-
8	vision broadcast stations" and inserting "qualified
9	noncommercial educational television stations";
10	(6) in subsection $(f)(1)$ —
11	(A) in the first sentence—
12	(i) by striking "local television broad-
13	cast station" and inserting "qualified non-
14	commercial educational television station";
15	and
16	(ii) by striking "of this section"; and
17	(B) in the third sentence, by striking
18	"local television broadcast station" and insert-
19	ing "qualified noncommercial educational tele-
20	vision station";
21	(7) by striking subsections (g) and (h);
22	(8) by redesignating subsections (i), (j), and (k)
23	as subsections (g), (h), and (i), respectively;
24	(9) in subsection (g), as redesignated by para-
25	graph (8)—

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1	(A) in paragraph (1)—
2	(i) by redesignating subparagraphs
3	(A) through (E) as clauses (i) through (v),
4	and adjusting the margins accordingly;
5	(ii) in the matter preceding clause (i),
6	as redesignated by clause (i)—
7	(I) by striking "At the time" and
8	inserting the following:
9	"(A) IN GENERAL.—At the time"; and
10	(II) by striking "which clearly"
11	and inserting "that clearly";
12	(iii) in clause (v), as redesignated by
13	clause (i), by striking "this section" and
14	inserting "this subsection"; and
15	(iv) in the flush text following clause
16	(v), as redesignated by clause (i), by strik-
17	ing "In the case" and all that follows
18	through "this subsection" and insert the
19	following:
20	"(B) REQUIREMENT.—In the case of sub-
21	scribers who have entered into an agreement
22	described in subparagraph (A) before December
23	8, 2004'';
24	(B) in paragraph (2), by striking subpara-
25	graphs (A) and (B) and inserting the following:

1	"(A) the term 'other service' includes any
2	wire or radio communications service provided
3	using any of the facilities of a satellite carrier
4	that are used in the provision of satellite serv-
5	ice;
6	"(B) the term 'personally identifiable in-
7	formation' does not include any record of aggre-
8	gate data which does not identify particular
9	persons; and";
10	(C) in paragraph (7), in the matter pre-
11	ceding subparagraph (A), by striking "this sec-
12	tion" and inserting "this subsection"; and
13	(D) in paragraph (8)—
14	(i) by striking "title" and inserting
15	"subsection"; and
16	(ii) by striking "section" and inserting
17	"subsection";
18	(10) in subsection (h), as redesignated by para-
19	graph $(8)$ —
20	(A) by striking "Within 1 year" and all
21	that follows through "The regulations" and in-
22	serting "The regulations"; and
23	(B) by striking "sections $614(b)(3)$ and
24	(4) and $615(g)(1)$ and (2)" and inserting
25	"paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 615(f)"; and

1	(11) in subsection (i), as redesignated by para-
2	graph (8)—
3	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "which
4	contracts" and inserting "that contracts";
5	(B) by striking paragraphs (2), (4), and
6	(8);
7	(C) by redesignating paragraph $(3)$ as
8	paragraph (2);
9	(D) by redesignating paragraphs $(5)$ , $(6)$ ,
10	(7), (9), and (10) as paragraphs (4), (5), (6),
11	(7), and $(8)$ , respectively;
12	(E) by inserting after paragraph (2), as re-
13	designated by subparagraph (C), the following:
14	"(3) Local Market.—
15	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'local mar-
16	ket', in the case of noncommercial television
17	broadcast stations, means the designated mar-
18	ket area in which a station is located, and, in
19	the case of a noncommercial educational tele-
20	vision broadcast station, the market includes
21	any station that is licensed to a community
22	within the same designated market area as the
23	noncommercial educational television broadcast
24	station.

"(B) COUNTY OF LICENSE.—In addition to the area described in subparagraph (A), a station's local market includes the county in which the station's community of license is located.

"(C) DESIGNATED MARKET AREA.—For 5 6 purposes of subparagraph (A), the term 'des-7 ignated market area' means a designated mar-8 ket area, as determined by Nielsen Media Re-9 search and published in the 1999–2000 Nielsen Station Index Directory and Nielsen Station 10 11 Index United States Television Household Esti-12 mates or any successor publication.

13 "(D) CERTAIN AREAS OUTSIDE OF ANY 14 DESIGNATED MARKET AREA.—Any census area, borough, or other area in the State of Alaska 15 16 that is outside of a designated market area, as 17 determined by Nielsen Media Research, shall be 18 deemed to be part of one of the local markets 19 in the State of Alaska. A satellite carrier may 20 determine which local market in the State of 21 Alaska will be deemed to be the relevant local 22 market in connection with each subscriber in 23 such census area, borough, or other area.";

24 (F) in paragraph (6), as redesignated by25 subparagraph (D), by striking "has the mean-

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1	ing" and all that follows and inserting "means
2	an entity that uses the facilities of a satellite or
3	satellite service licensed by the Commission and
4	operates in the Fixed-Satellite Service under
5	part 25 of title 47, Code of Federal Regula-
6	tions, or the Direct Broadcast Satellite Service
7	under part 100 of title 47, Code of Federal
8	Regulations, to establish and operate a channel
9	of communications for point-to-multipoint dis-
10	tribution of television station signals, and that
11	owns or leases a capacity or service on a sat-
12	ellite in order to provide such point-to-
13	multipoint distribution, except to the extent
14	that such entity provides such distribution pur-
15	suant to tariff under this Act, other than for
16	private home viewing pursuant to this section.";
17	(G) in paragraph (7), as redesignated by
18	subparagraph (D), by striking "has the mean-

subparagraph (D), by striking "has the meaning" and all that follows and inserting "means a person or entity that receives a secondary transmission service from a satellite carrier and pays a fee for the service, directly or indirectly, to the satellite carrier or to a distributor."; and

24 (H) in paragraph (8), as redesignated by25 subparagraph (D), by striking "has the mean-

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1	ing" and all that follows and inserting "means
2	an over-the-air commercial or noncommercial
3	television broadcast station licensed by the
4	Commission under subpart E of part 73 of title
5	47, Code of Federal Regulations, except that
6	such term does not include a low-power or
7	translator television station.".
8	(12) Section 623.—Section 623 of the Commu-
9	nications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 543) is amended
10	to read as follows:
11	"SEC. 623. REGULATION OF RATES AND BROADCAST SIG-
12	NAL CARRIAGE.
13	"No Federal agency, State, or franchising authority
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13	may regulate—
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<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> <li>22</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>may regulate—</li> <li>"(1) the rates for the provision of the service of a multichannel video programming distributor; or</li> <li>"(2) the retransmission of television broadcast signals by a multichannel video programming distributor, except in accordance with the requirements of sections 338 and 615 relating to qualified non-commercial educational television stations.".</li> <li>(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—</li> </ul>
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1	(2) Section 613.—
2	(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 613 of the
3	Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 533)
4	is amended—
5	(i) by striking subsection (a); and
6	(ii) by redesignating subsections (c)
7	through (h) as subsections (a) through (f),
8	respectively.
9	(B) Conforming Amendment.—Section
10	653(c)(1)(A) of the Communications Act of
11	1934 (47 U.S.C. $573(c)(1)(A)$ ) is amended by
12	striking "(other than subsection (a) thereof)".
13	(3) Section 615.—Section 615 of the Commu-
14	nications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 535) is amended—
15	(A) in subsection (a), by striking "In addi-
16	tion to the carriage requirements set forth in
17	section 614, each" and inserting "Each";
18	(B) by striking subsection (f);
19	(C) by redesignating subsections (g)
20	through (l) as subsections (f) through (k), re-
21	spectively;
22	(D) in subsection (g), as redesignated by
23	subparagraph (C), by striking "that includes
24	the retransmission of local commercial television

25 broadcast signals";

1	(E) in subsection (h), as redesignated by
2	subparagraph (C)—
3	(i) in paragraph (1), by striking " $(1)$
4	IN GENERAL.—A cable" and inserting "A
5	cable"; and
6	(ii) by striking paragraph (2); and
7	(F) in subsection $(k)(1)(A)$ , as redesig-
8	nated by subparagraph (C)—
9	(i) in clause (i)—
10	(I) by striking "(i)"; and
11	(II) by striking "; and" and in-
12	serting "; or"; and
13	(ii) by striking clause (ii).
14	(4) Section 621.—Section $621(b)(3)(D)$ of the
15	Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C.
16	541(b)(3)(D)) is amended by striking "sections 611
17	and 612" and inserting "section 611".
18	(5) Section 622.—Section 622(c) of the Com-
19	munications Act of $1934$ (47 U.S.C. $542(c)$ ) is
20	amended in the matter preceding paragraph $(1)$ , by
21	striking ", consistent with the regulations prescribed
22	by the Commission pursuant to section 623".
23	(6) Section 625.—Section 625(d) of the Com-
24	munications Act of $1934$ (47 U.S.C. $544(d)$ ) is

1	amended by striking ", if the rates" and all that fol-
2	lows through "section 623".
3	(7) Section 632.—Section 632(c) of the Com-
4	munications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 552(c)) is
5	amended in the second sentence by striking "Not-
6	with standing section $623(b)(6)$ or any other provi-
7	sion of this Act, a cable" and inserting "A cable".
8	(8) Section 635.—Section 635(c) of the Com-
9	munications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 555(c)) is
10	amended by striking "614 or" each place it appears.
11	(9) Section 638.—Section 638 of the Commu-
12	nications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 558) is amended
13	by striking "or on any other channel obtained under
14	section 612 or under similar arrangements".
15	(10) Section 653.—Section 653 of the Commu-
16	nications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 573) is amended—
17	(A) in subsection $(b)(1)$ —
18	(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking ",
19	614"; and
20	(ii) in subparagraph (C), by adding
21	"and" at the end;
22	(iii) by striking subparagraph (D);
23	and
24	(iv) by redesignating subparagraph
25	(E) as subparagraph (D); and

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1	(ii) by striking "or" after the semi-
2	colon;
3	(B) in paragraph (2), by striking the "or"
4	after the semicolon; and
5	(C) by amending paragraph (4) to read as
6	follows:
7	"(4) the secondary transmission—
8	"(A) is made by—
9	"(i) a cable system in accordance with
10	section 615 of the Communications Act of
11	1934;
12	"(ii) a satellite carrier in accordance
13	with section 338 of the Communications
14	Act of 1934; or
15	"(iii) a cable system or satellite car-
16	rier of any other qualified noncommercial
17	educational television broadcast station, as
18	defined in section 615 of the Communica-
19	tions Act of 1934, if such cable operator or
20	satellite carrier was making such sec-
21	ondary transmission pursuant to section
22	111 or 119, respectively, prior to the date
23	of enactment of the Next Generation Tele-
24	vision Marketplace Act; and

1	"(B) is consistent with the rules, regula-
2	tions, and authorizations of the Federal Com-
3	munications Commission; or";
4	(2) in subsection (b), in the matter preceding
5	paragraph (1), by striking "subsections (a) and (c)"
6	and inserting "subsection (a)";
7	(3) by striking subsections (c), (d), and (e);
8	(4) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-
9	section (c); and
10	(5) in subsection (c), as redesignated by para-
11	graph (4)—
12	(A) in paragraph (3), by striking the sec-
13	ond sentence;
14	(B) by striking paragraphs (4) through
15	(13); and
16	(C) by adding at the end the following:
17	"(4) SATELLITE CARRIER.—The term 'satellite
18	carrier' means an entity that uses the facilities of a
19	satellite or satellite service licensed by the Federal
20	Communications Commission and operates in the
21	Fixed-Satellite Service under part 25 of title 47,
22	Code of Federal Regulations, or the Direct Broad-
23	cast Satellite Service under part 100 of title 47,
24	Code of Federal Regulations, to establish and oper-
25	ate a channel of communications for point-to-

1	multipoint distribution of television station signals,
2	and that owns or leases a capacity or service on a
3	satellite in order to provide such point-to-multipoint
4	distribution, except to the extent that such entity
5	provides such distribution pursuant to tariff under
6	the Communications Act of 1934, other than for pri-
7	vate home viewing pursuant to this section.".
8	(c) Conforming Amendments.—Title 17, United
9	States Code, is amended—
10	(1) in the table of sections for chapter 1, by
11	striking—
12	(A) the item relating to section 119; and
13	(B) the item relating to section 122;
14	(2) in section 106, in the matter preceding
15	paragraph $(1)$ , by striking "122" and inserting
16	"121";
17	(3) in section $110(8)$ , by striking "section
18	111(f)" and inserting "section 111(c)";
19	(4) in the table of sections for chapter 5, by
20	striking the item relating to section 510;
21	(5) in section 501—
22	(A) in subsection (a), by striking "122"
23	and inserting "121";
24	(B) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e),
25	and (f); and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following: 2 (c)(1) With respect to any secondary transmission 3 that is made by a cable system or by a satellite carrier 4 of a performance or display of a work embodied in a pri-5 mary transmission and is actionable as an act of infringe-6 ment under section 111, a television broadcast station 7 holding a copyright or other license to transmit or perform 8 the same version of that work shall, for purposes of sub-9 section (b), be treated as a legal or beneficial owner if such 10 secondary transmission occurs within the designated market area of that station. 11

12 "(2) For purposes of this subsection, the term 'des-13 ignated market area' means a designated market area, as 14 determined by Nielsen Media Research and published in 15 the 1999–2000 Nielsen Station Index Directory and 16 Nielsen Station Index United States Television Household 17 Estimates or any successor publication.";

18 (6) by striking section 510;

19 (7) in section 511(a), by striking "122" and in20 serting "121";

21 (8) in section 708(a)—

22 (A) in paragraph (8), by adding "and" at
23 the end;

24 (B) in paragraph (9), by striking the semi-25 colon at the end and inserting a period;

2	and
3	(D) in the flush text at the end, by strik-
4	ing "Fees established under paragraphs (10)
5	and (11) shall be reasonable and may not ex-
6	ceed one-half of the cost necessary to cover rea-
7	sonable expenses incurred by the Copyright Of-
8	fice for the collection and administration of the
9	statements of account and any royalty fees de-
10	posited with such statements.";
11	(9) in section $801$ —
12	(A) by striking "sections 111, 119, and"
13	each place it appears and inserting "section";
14	(B) by striking "111, 119, or" each place
15	it appears; and
16	(C) in subsection (b)—
17	(i) in paragraph (1), in the matter
18	preceding subparagraph (A), by striking
19	"119,";
20	(ii) by striking paragraph (2);
21	(iii) by redesignating paragraphs (3)
22	through $(8)$ as paragraphs $(2)$ through $(7)$ ,
23	respectively; and
24	(iv) in paragraph (2), as redesignated
25	by clause (iii)—

1	(I) in subparagraph (B), by
2	striking ", as the case may be"; and
3	(II) in subparagraph (C), by
4	striking "section 804(b)(8)" and in-
5	serting "section 804(b)(7)";
6	(10) in section 803—
7	(A) in subsection $(b)(1)(A)(i)$ —
8	(i) in the matter preceding subclause
9	(I)—
10	(I) by striking "111,"; and
11	(II) by striking "119,";
12	(ii) in subclause (V), by striking ", ex-
13	cept that the publication of notice require-
14	ment shall not apply in the case of pro-
15	ceedings under section 111 that are sched-
16	uled to commence in 2005";
17	(B) in subsection $(d)(2)(C)(i)$ —
18	(i) by striking "111,"; and
19	(ii) by striking "119,"; and
20	(C) in subsection $(e)(2)$ —
21	(i) by striking "111,"; and
22	(ii) by striking "119,"; and
23	(D) in section $804$ —
24	(i) in subsection (a)—

1	(I) by striking "paragraphs (1)
2	and (2) of section 801(b)" and insert-
3	ing "section 801(b)(1)";
4	(II) by striking "111,"; and
5	(III) by striking "119,"; and
6	(ii) in subsection (b)—
7	(I) by striking paragraph (1);
8	(II) by redesignating paragraphs
9	(2) through $(8)$ as paragraphs $(1)$
10	through (7), respectively; and
11	(III) in paragraph (7), as redes-
12	ignated by subclause (II)—
13	(aa) by striking "section
14	801(b)(3)" and inserting "section
15	801(b)(2)''; and
16	(bb) by striking "111, 119,
17	or".
18	SEC. 4. REPEAL OF COMMISSION RULES RELATING TO REG-
19	ULATORY INTERVENTION.
20	The Federal Communications Commission shall take
21	all actions necessary to—
22	(1) repeal section 73.658 of title 47 of the Code
23	of Federal Regulations;
24	(2) repeal subpart D of part 76 of title 47 of
25	the Code of Federal Regulations;

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1	(3) repeal subpart F of part 76 of title 47 of
2	the Code of Federal Regulations; and
3	(4) modify the broadcast ownership limitations
4	set forth in section 73.3555 of title 47 of the Code
5	of Federal Regulations by eliminating—
6	(A) the restrictions on the number of
7	broadcast television stations that a person or
8	entity may directly or indirectly own, operate,
9	or control in the same designated market area
10	(as such term is defined under section $501(f)(2)$
11	of title 17, United States Code, as described in
12	subsection (b) of such section 73.3555;
13	(B) the radio-television cross-ownership
14	rule, as described in subsection (c) of such sec-
15	tion 73.3555; and
16	(C) the limitations on the direct or indirect
17	ownership, operation, or control of a broadcast
18	television station by a person or entity that di-
19	rectly or indirectly owns, operates, or controls a
20	daily newspaper, as that term was defined in
21	note 6 to such section 73.3555 in effect on Oc-
22	tober 1, 2011, as described in subsection (d) of
23	such section 73.3555.

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#### 1 SEC. 5. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS.

2 (a) CONGRESSIONAL FINDING.—Congress finds and 3 declares that the enactment of this Act will change laws that have provided the basis for certain contracts, under-4 5 standings, and arrangements related to retransmission consent and the distribution of video programming entered 6 7 into prior to the enactment of this Act and that, accord-8 ingly, certain transitional measures are necessary to pre-9 serve an orderly marketplace for the provision of video 10 programming to consumers.

11 (b) RETRANSMISSION CONSENT.—

(1) NO NEW CONTRACTS.—No contract, understanding, or arrangement for the retransmission
consent shall be entered into pursuant to section
325(b) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47)
U.S.C. 325(b)) after the date of enactment of this
Act.

18 (2) EXTENSION OF PRIOR CONTRACTS.—Any 19 contract, understanding, or arrangement for retrans-20 mission consent entered into pursuant to section 21 325(b) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47) 22 U.S.C. 325(b)) prior to the date of enactment of this Act, which by the terms of the contract, under-23 24 standing, or arrangement expires before July 1, 2014, shall be deemed to be extended through July 25 26 1, 2014 based on the terms of the contract, understanding, or arrangement in effect on the date be fore the expiration date of the contract, under standing, or arrangement.

4 (3) EXPIRATION OF PRIOR CONTRACTS.—No
5 contract, understanding, or arrangement for retrans6 mission consent entered into pursuant to section
7 325(b) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47)
8 U.S.C. 325(b)) before the date of enactment of this
9 Act shall be enforceable by any person or entity
10 after July 1, 2014.

11 (c) CONTINUED COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF 12 PREVIOUSLY DUE ROYALTIES.—Notwithstanding section 13 5, the collection and distribution of royalties due for sec-14 ondary transmissions made pursuant to sections 111 and 15 119 of title 17, United States Code, prior to July 1, 2014, shall continue to be governed by such title and the rules 16 17 of the Register of Copyrights and Copyright Royalty 18 Judges as in effect prior to the date of enactment of this 19 Act until such time as the Register certifies that all royal-20 ties collected pursuant to such provisions have been dis-21 tributed.

### 1 SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

2 Except as provided in section 5, this Act and the3 amendments made by this Act, shall take effect on July4 1, 2014.