

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4109

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 24, 2017

Mr. GUTHRIE (for himself and Ms. MATSUI) 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 “Spectrum Auction De-  
5 posits Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPOSITS OF BIDDERS IN AUCTIONS OF SPECTRUM**  
2 **FREQUENCIES TO BE DEPOSITED IN TREAS-**  
3 **URY.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 309(j)(8)(C) of the Com-  
5 munications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 309(j)(8)(C)) is  
6 amended—

7 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “an inter-  
8 est bearing account” and all that follows and insert-  
9 ing “the Treasury.”;

10 (2) in clause (i)—

11 (A) by striking “paid to the Treasury” and  
12 inserting “deposited in the general fund of the  
13 Treasury (where such deposits shall be used for  
14 the sole purpose of deficit reduction)”; and

15 (B) by striking the semicolon and inserting  
16 “; and”;

17 (3) in clause (ii), by striking “; and” and in-  
18 serting “, and payments representing the return of  
19 such deposits shall not be subject to administrative  
20 offset under section 3716(e) of title 31, United  
21 States Code.”; and

22 (4) by striking clause (iii).

23 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
24 this section shall take effect on October 1, 2018.