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AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1 **Relating to:** encouraging the use of television white space technology to increase
2 access to the Internet.

3 Whereas, 34 million Americans do not have access to broadband service at
4 current federal minimum standards; and

5 Whereas, 23 million rural Americans lack access to broadband, including 1.6
6 million Americans living on tribal lands; and

7 Whereas, the unused spectrum between broadcast television stations, known
8 as television white space, represents a valuable opportunity to expand broadband in
9 these areas of the country; and

10 Whereas, lack of access to broadband Internet means fewer educational and job
11 opportunities as well as poor health outcomes; and

12 Whereas, television white space technology can deliver high-speed Internet
13 that operates four times faster and reaches 16 times farther than Wi-Fi; and

14 Whereas, this technology operates at a frequency that can move through objects
15 like hills and foliage; and

