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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT DATES FOR THE PREVENTING DIGITAL DISCRIMINATION FURTHER NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

GN Docket No. 22-69

Comment Date: March 4, 2024
Reply Comment Date: April 1, 2024

On November 15, 2024, the Commission released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking adopting rules pursuant to section 60506 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 that establish a framework to facilitate equal access to broadband internet access service by preventing digital discrimination of access, and seeking comment on potential additional rules to further address digital discrimination of access to broadband.¹ Specifically, in the *Preventing Digital Discrimination FNPRM*, the Commission invites comment on (1) two sets of affirmative obligations for broadband providers in furtherance of the Commission's mandate to facilitate equal access to broadband internet access service, including by preventing digital discrimination of access, and (2) the potential benefits and costs of establishing an Office of Civil Rights within the Commission.

On February 1, 2024, a summary of the *Preventing Digital Discrimination FNPRM* was published in the Federal Register.² Comments are due on or before **March 4, 2024**, and reply comments are due on or before **April 1, 2024**. Complete comment filing instructions are set forth in the *Preventing Digital Discrimination FNPRM*.³

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¹ *Implementing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Prevention and Elimination of Digital Discrimination*, GN Docket No. 22-69, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 22-98 (rel. Nov. 15, 2023) (*Preventing Digital Discrimination RO and FNPRM*); see Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58, 135 Stat. 429, § 60506 (2021).

² Federal Communications Commission, *Implementing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Prevention and Elimination of Digital Discrimination*, Proposed Rule, 89 Fed. Reg. 88 (Feb. 1, 2024).

³ *Preventing Digital Discrimination FNPRM* at para. 223.