



## NEWS FROM THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### **FCC Adopts Rules to Provide LPTV Service Broadcasters Additional Regulatory Clarity**

*Action Helps to Advance Future of Local Broadcasting*

WASHINGTON, December 18, 2025—The Federal Communications Commission today adopted rules that advance the future of local broadcasting by delivering Low Power TV, TV Translator and Class A (LPTV Service) broadcasters added regulatory clarity to put their licenses to work. Today's action updates FCC rules to reflect the changes in the broadcast industry since the LPTV Service was established more than forty years ago and helps LPTV Service broadcasters compete and serve the public by providing regulatory clarity.

LPTV Service stations deliver free, over-the-air television services to millions of viewers nationwide, often serving small towns, rural communities, and the unique, hyper-local interests of niche viewers. In some areas an LPTV Service station may be the only source of local news, weather, and public affairs programming.

Given the continued importance of over-the-air broadcast television, and in light of changes within the broadcast industry, the FCC today took action to adopt certain changes to its LPTV Service rules to provide clarity and regulatory certainty to licensees. These include updates aimed at helping licensees make informed business decisions about their station operations and to ensure that the public continues to benefit from their operations. These FCC rule changes will help make sure that the LPTV Service continues to flourish and serve the public interest long into the future.

Action by the Commission December 18, 2025 by Report and Order (FCC 25-84). Chairman Carr, Commissioners Gomez and Trusty approving. Chairman Carr and Commissioner Trusty issuing separate statements.

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