

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER OLIVIA TRUSTY**

Re: *Accessible Emergency Information, and Apparatus Requirements for Emergency Information and Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010*, Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 12-107 (Apr. 30, 2026).

The FCC's mission is to ensure that all Americans benefit from communications services, especially when public safety is at stake.

But even well-intentioned rules must work in practice. After more than a decade of waivers, it is appropriate to revisit the Audio Crawl Rule and assess how it has functioned in the real world.

Reexamining this rule does not mean retreating from our commitment to accessibility. Rather, it reflects an effort to build on years of industry experience and stakeholder collaboration to ensure that individuals who are blind or visually impaired receive critical emergency information through effective and reliable means.

I look forward to working with Commission staff, broadcasters, and other stakeholders to ensure our rules are both practical and continue to expand access to emergency information for all Americans.

I thank the Media Bureau for their good work on this item.