

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

House Communications Standards Commission

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Commission Action Required

Poll 119-2

TO: Members of the House Communications Standards Commission
FROM: Mike Carey, Chairman
DATE: March 25, 2026
RE: Amendment to Commission Rules, Rule 25, 119th Congress

Currently, Rule 25 (c)(2)(g) states that no complaints are processed when they “are received during a 60-day election blackout period.” During the 119-1 Q4 Commission meeting, the Commissioners expressed a unanimous concern that offices could take advantage of this window to send out non-compliant communications with the knowledge that complaints could not be processed.

The Chair of the Commission is polling the Committee regarding approval or disapproval of requested edits to the 119th Congress Communications Standards Commission Rules; specifically Rule 25 (c)(2)(g). The requested edits are the addition of three new subsections to Rule 25 (c)(2)(g):

- i. *The Chair and Ranking Member may decide to adjudicate certain complaints received during that period based on the nature of the offense, frequency in which they occurred, or the intent of the violation;*
- ii. *Penalties for violations that occur during the blackout period may be more severe for Members found in violation, including personal financial liability; and*
- iii. *Upon receipt of any complaint during the blackout, the Commission must send notice of the complaint to the accused Member, including the complaint, a proposed remedy, if possible, for the alleged violation, and notice that stricter penalties may apply to violations found during this period.*

An affirmative vote means the Commission Member **approves** of the proposed changes. A negative vote means the Commission Member **opposes** the proposed changes.

Please indicate your affirmative or negative recorded vote for this poll no later than noon on Friday, March 27, 2026.

All forms should be sent to Daniel Bucheli, at Daniel.Bucheli@mail.house.gov. If you have any questions, please contact the Committee Majority at 202-225-8281.

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Rep. Mike Carey (OH), Chairman

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Regarding the proposed necessary revisions to the Communications Standards Manual, as presented, do you approve of said revisions?

YES NO

Signature:  Dated: March 25th, 2026

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Rep. Mary Miller (IL)

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YES

NO

Signature: Mary E Miller Dated: March 26, 2026

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Rep. Aaron Bean (FL)

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YES

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Signature: 

Dated: 3.26.26, 2026

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Rep. Joseph Morelle (NY), Ranking Member

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Signature: Joseph D. Morelle Dated: _____ March 25, 2026

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Rep. Brad Sherman (CA)

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Dated: _____

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