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Re: Consensus Substitute Amendment for H.R. 1301  
and S.1685, the Amateur Radio Parity Act.

Greetings:

In my capacity as President of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio, formally known as the American Radio Relay League, Incorporated (ARRL), I am pleased to confirm that the text of the Substitute Amendment to H.R. 1301, the Amateur Radio Parity Act (copy attached) is acceptable to ARRL. We do actively endorse that text and urge that it be substituted for the current text of H.R. 1301. In the form of the Substitute Amendment, we urge that the Bill be marked up in the Energy and Commerce Committee and that it be considered for passage on suspension if possible.

The attached Substitute Amendment has, as we understand it, been found to be acceptable as well to the Community Associations Institute (CAI), which represents the interests of homeowners' associations. The attached is the product of negotiations between ARRL and CAI over the past two

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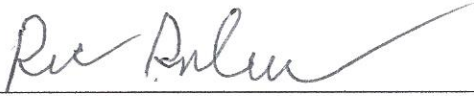
months. Having reached consensus on this specific language for the Bill, there now remains no known dissent from any quarter on the Substitute Amendment.

The negotiations leading to this Substitute Amendment text have been greatly facilitated by the good work of David Redl, Esquire; Mr. Josh Baggett; and Mr. Scott Wilson. ARRL is most grateful for their exceptional effort on our behalf and we commend them most highly. Mr. Walden, Mr. Kinzinger and Ms. Eshoo respectively are very fortunate indeed to have such competent staff members.

Most of all, ARRL is grateful to each of you for your leadership, support and guidance with respect to this effort, and more importantly, the volunteer-spirited Amateur Radio operators of the United States thank you. This Bill will enhance Amateur Radio emergency and disaster relief communications; it will facilitate technical self-training in electronics and telecommunications; and it will provide a good opportunity for young people, elderly people and everyone in between to serve the public and move modern telecommunications forward.

With utmost gratitude,

ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio

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