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TITLE 47. TELEGRAPHS, TELEPHONES, AND RADIOTELEGRAPHS
CHAPTER 5--WIRE OR RADIO COMMUNICATION
SUBCHAPTER VI--MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS
§ 612. Syndicated exclusivity

(a) The Federal Communications Commission shall initiate a combined inquiry and rulemaking proceeding for the purpose of--

(1) determining the feasibility of imposing syndicated exclusivity rules with respect to the delivery of syndicated programming (as defined by the Commission) for private home viewing of secondary transmissions by satellite of broadcast station signals similar to the rules issued by the Commission with respect to syndicated exclusivity and cable television; and

(2) adopting such rules if the Commission considers the imposition of such rules to be feasible.

(b) In the event that the Commission adopts such rules, any willful and repeated secondary transmission made by a satellite carrier to the public of a primary transmission embodying the performance or display of a work which violates such Commission rules shall be subject to the remedies, sanctions, and penalties provided by subchapter V of this chapter and [section 605](#) of this title.

CREDIT(S)

(June 19, 1934, c. 652, Title VII, § 712, as added Nov. 16, 1988, [Pub.L. 100-667, Title II, § 203](#), 102 Stat. 3958, and amended Oct. 25, 1994, [Pub.L. 103-414, Title III, § 304\(a\)](#)(17), 108 Stat. 4297.)

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HISTORICAL AND STATUTORY NOTES

Revision Notes and Legislative Reports

1988 Acts. [Senate Report No. 100-515](#), and [House Report No. 100-887 \(I\), \(II\)](#), see 1988 U.S.Code Cong. and Adm.News, p. 5577.

1994 Acts. [House Report No. 103-827](#), see 1994 U.S. Code Cong. and Adm. News, p. 3489.

Amendments

1994 Amendments. Subsec. (a). [Pub.L. 103-414, § 304\(a\)](#)(17), struck out " ", within 120 days after January 1, 1989," following "The Federal Communications Commission shall".

Effective and Applicability Provisions

1988 Acts. Section effective Jan. 1, 1989, and ceases to be effective Dec. 31, 1994, see sections 206 and 207 of [Pub.L. 100-667](#), set out as a note under section 119 of Title 17, Copyrights.

[[Section 207 of Pub.L. 100-667](#), which provided for the termination of this section effective Dec. 31, 1994, was

repealed by [Pub.L. 103-369, § 4\(b\)](#), Oct. 18, 1994, 108 Stat. 3481.]

Termination of Section

[Section 207 of Pub.L. 100-667](#), which provided for termination of this section effective Dec. 31, 1994, was repealed by [Pub.L. 103-369, § 4\(b\)](#), Oct. 18, 1994, 108 Stat. 3481.

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