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RMA Participates in Senate Committee Meeting on Advertised Broadband Speeds

RMA presented to the Senate Committee on Transport and Communications regarding advertised internet speeds not meeting user experience

Bill C-288 is being reviewed by the Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications. The bill would require internet service providers (ISPs) to provide additional information when advertising a service such as the typical speeds achieved during peak times and other reliability metrics. The RMA participated in a senate committee meeting to speak in support of the bill as a tool to enhance ISP transparency and better inform government decision-makers of the actual rural connectivity gap. RMA President Paul McLaughlin shared the results of the RMA's [internet speed testing project](#), which found that in 80% of cases download speeds did not meet the speeds advertised by the users ISP.

To view the RMA's presentation, [click here](#). The RMA's comments begin just after 9:58 in the video. The RMA also plans to submit written input on the proposed bill.

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