

# U.S. Rep Grothman: Grothman ensures reliable cell service for all

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(Washington, D.C.) – Congressman Glenn Grothman (R-Glenbeulah) voted in favor of the bipartisan Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act, which was originally introduced by Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN).

The bill requires the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to establish service quality standards for providers to increase service reliability in rural areas, so calls won't drop as easily. It also requires third-party intermediate providers, or providers that carry long distance phone calls between bigger carriers like Verizon, AT&T and Sprint, to register with the FCC. This will ensure that emergency calls and the most important phone calls to first responders, family members and schools won't drop.

“Choosing to live in a rural area shouldn't exclude individuals from having access to potentially life-saving cell phone service,” said Grothman. “I want to make sure that all the folks in Wisconsin's Sixth District have access to quality, reliable cell phone service – not just those who live near a city.”

The Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act passed the House unanimously.