

[May 8, 1983]

After section 4 insert the following new section:

1                    INCREASE IN AMOUNT OF PENALTIES

2            SEC.5. (a) Section 501(a) of the Communications Act of  
3 1934 (47 U.S.C. 501(a)) is amended by striking out  
4 '\$10,000' each place it appears and inserting in lieu  
5 thereof the following: '\$500,000'.

6            (b) Section 502 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47  
7 U.S.C. 502) is amended by striking out '\$500' each place  
8 it appears and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  
9 '\$25,000'.

10           (c) Section 503(b) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47  
11 U.S.C. 503(b)) is amended--

12                (1) by striking out '\$2,000' each place it appears  
13 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  
14 '\$100,000';

15                (2) by striking out '\$20,000' each place it  
16 appears and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  
17 '\$1,000,000'; and

18                (3) by striking out '\$5,000' each place it appears  
19 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  
20 '\$250,000'.

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[Direction on the Use of Funds to Establish Fees in Support  
of Public Broadcasting]

AMENDMENT TO H.R. \_\_\_\_\_

OFFERED BY MR. SCHEUER

After section 4 insert the following new section:

1       SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Funds authorized to be appropriated to the  
2 Commission under this Act shall be used by the Commission--  
3           (1) to establish, by regulation, a system of fees  
4           (A) to be imposed on television and radio broadcast  
5           licensees under the Communications Act of 1934 who are  
6           licensed to use the electromagnetic spectrum for  
7           commercial purposes and (B) the amount of which would be  
8           assessed by the Commission based upon the economic value  
9           of the license to the licensee (taking into account the  
10          supply and demand for the use of the electromagnetic  
11          spectrum in the market where the community is located to  
12          which the station is licensed); and  
13          (2) to impose and collect the fees under the system  
14          established pursuant to paragraph (1).  
15       (b) The regulation under subsection (a) shall be  
16 prescribed not later than November 1, 1983, and the fees  
17 shall be payable for calendar years beginning after December  
18 31, 1983.

1       (c)(1) For each fiscal year beginning after the date of  
2 the enactment of this Act, there is authorized to be  
3 appropriated to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (in  
4 addition to amounts otherwise authorized to be appropriated)  
5 an amount equal to the proceeds during the preceding fiscal  
6 year from the fees under the system established under  
7 subsection (a).

8       (2)(A) In accordance with subparagraph (B), funds  
9 appropriated under this section shall be made available  
10 for--

11           (i) the production of public broadcasting  
12 programming, and

13           (ii) the production of other programming (including  
14 programming for the needs of children, minorities, and  
15 the elderly) for which there is not available an  
16 adequate quantity in the national market or in local  
17 markets.

18       (B) The respective amounts available under subparagraph  
19 (A) for radio programming and for television programming  
20 shall be the same ratio as the fee proceeds during the  
21 preceding fiscal year from radio broadcast licensees and  
22 permittees bears to such fees from television broadcast  
23 licensees and permittees.