

I am an avid operator on the 160 meter amateur band for over 25 years. I support RM-10352 as it will protect the lower part of the 160 meter band from wideband modes which will interfere with the current operations in that segment of the band. Separation of the phone and CW segments of the amateur bands is something that most amateurs in the US already have. This will bring the 160 meter band into the same paradigm used by all other bands below UHF.

Years ago when the 160 meter band was occupied by LORAN A and there were many segments of the band used in different parts of the country, this type of rule was impractical. Since the obsolescence of LORAN A and the return of the 160 meter band to amateur operations, partitioning of the band makes sense to protect the operations in the lower end of the band.