

I am opposed to RM-10805 because I feel it will weaken the Amateur Radio Service by having the eventual effect of greatly decreasing the number of CW operators. CW is a valuable mode due to its narrow bandwidth, unmatched signal to noise ratio, and it is totally in character with Amateur Radio objectives of quality of communication, low cost of equipment, suitability for experimentation, and requires a challenging yet achievable skill set that brings great satisfaction to the user. Amateur Radio is one of the only services to still utilize CW mode, and that is because CW fits in better better with what Amateur Radio is about and what Amateur Radio does than with other services.