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JUNE 18, 1990

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JUNE 18, 1990

A RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing Congress to open the cable television industry to
2 more competition in the marketplace.

3 WHEREAS, It is in the public interest to provide competition
4 for existing cable television services, both transmission and
5 programming, through a telephone network capable of video
6 transmission to enhance the development of new technologies and
7 faster introduction of products and services to the marketplace
8 at competitive prices; and

9 WHEREAS, An integrated broadband network will provide
10 consumers with greater choices of video program suppliers and
11 preferred services--advantages that would be extended ultimately
12 to all consumers, rural and urban, so as to avoid a divided
13 society of information "haves" and "have nots"; and

14 WHEREAS, A statewide fiber optic network will serve as a

1 vital component to each state's future public and continuing
2 education structures; and

3 WHEREAS, A highly featured telephone network capable of video
4 transmission would be an asset to international competitiveness
5 for the United States and to economic development within the
6 states; and

7 WHEREAS, Adequate accounting and structural safeguards have
8 been developed and are already in place in the Federal and State
9 jurisdiction to protect against cross subsidization from
10 telephone customers; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
12 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the Congress of the
13 United States to enact appropriate legislation to open up the
14 cable television market to competition, to enhance the
15 development of new technologies and to modernize the
16 telecommunications infrastructure; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
18 the presiding officers of each house of Congress and to each
19 member of Congress from Pennsylvania.