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Consumer Broadband Deregulation Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 1, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Consumer Broadband Deregulation Act - Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) or any State from regulating the rates, charges, terms, or conditions for the retail offering of consumer broadband services. Requires the FCC to determine whether State regulation of broadband services is appropriate or necessary, and, if so, to promulgate regulation guidelines.

Prohibits the FCC or any State or political subdivision from requiring a broadband services provider to afford an Internet service provider access to its facilities or services for the purpose of offering broadband services.

Prohibits a State or local statute from impeding the ability of any entity to provide broadband services.

Requires the manufacturer of equipment used for broadband services to ensure that the equipment is accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities.

Provides an exception to local exchange carrier unbundled access and collocation requirements with respect to the provision of broadband services.

Directs the Secretary of Commerce to establish a national clearinghouse for data and information relating to the deployment of facilities capable of supporting high-speed Internet services.

Directs the FCC to conduct a study of wireless technology and the appropriate Federal role in facilitating such technology.

Directs the Secretary to report to specified congressional committees on ways to promote broadband services through e-government.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 1, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7931-7933)
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