

HRES 536

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that telephone service must be improved in rural areas of the United States and that no entity may unreasonably discriminate against telephone users in those areas.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 SRES 157	Related bill	Dec 19, 2013: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 276.

Summary (as of Apr 2, 2014)

Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that: (1) all telephone service providers must appropriately complete calls to all areas of the United States regardless of the technology used by such providers, and (2) no entity may unreasonably discriminate against telephone users in rural areas.

Declares that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) should: (1) pursue entities whose violations of FCC rules contribute to a lack of quality telecommunications services in rural areas, (2) impose enforcement actions to discourage such uncompleted calls and unreasonable discrimination, and (3) establish a definitive solution to such discrimination.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 4, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- Apr 2, 2014:** Introduced in House
- Apr 2, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.