

Reps. Moore, Drolet, Meyer, Schuitmaker, Accavitti, Farrah, Hildenbrand, Nitz, Garfield, Stahl, Sheen, Jones, Booher, Hansen, Moolenaar, Kahn, Brandenburg, Casperson, Caul, Clack, Farhat, Gillard, LaJoy, Marleau, McDowell, Newell, Pastor, Pavlov, Pearce, Shaffer and Vander Veen offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 186.

A resolution to memorialize the Congress of the United States to enact legislation, such as the Broadband Investment and Consumer Choice Act, which encourages innovation and investment in communications infrastructure and promotes competition in video, voice, and data service.

Whereas, Consumers benefit from greater choice, better products, and better prices when the communications marketplace is driven by innovation and competition among many different providers and technologies; and

Whereas, Recent technological advances, like wireless telephony and broadband communications, are widely available at reasonable prices today because policy makers empowered consumers, instead of regulation, to drive the marketplace; and

Whereas, Most consumers want new technologies and are best served by public policies that do not hinder technological innovation. Policies which eliminate the barriers to infrastructure deployment and innovation will ensure that communications providers are able to offer new services, including Internet-based video services, that can compete with traditional cable television service; and

Whereas, Encouraging new video service providers to offer services to consumers in Michigan under a rational, streamlined process which imposes minimal regulation will enhance infrastructure investment and maximize consumer savings from competition; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to enact legislation, such as the Broadband Investment and Consumer Choice Act, which encourages innovation and investment in communications infrastructure and promotes competition in video, voice, and data service; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.