

**Resolution Endorsing the Testimony of
Commissioners Rosenblum and Miller on H.R. 3636 and S. 1822**

WHEREAS, On February 9, 1994, Commissioner Rosenblum testified on HR 3636, "The National Communications Competition and Information Infrastructure Act of 1993;" and

WHEREAS, On February 23, 1994, Commissioner Miller testified on S 1822, "The Communications Act of 1994;" and

WHEREAS, These bills propose comprehensive reform of telecommunications regulation, addressing such issues as local exchange competition, universal service, infrastructure development, interconnection and equal access requirements and removal of cable-telco cross-ownership restrictions; and

WHEREAS, The testimony of Commissioners Rosenblum and Miller stated NARUC's support of the principles upon which these bills are based, namely: ensuring access to a high quality seamless, open telecommunications network, preservation and enhancement of universal service at just and reasonable rates, deployment and development of an advanced telecommunications infrastructure, and equitable cost allocation of new services and networks; and

WHEREAS, The testimony also urged a conceptual framework that balances Federal/State responsibilities in a flexible way that will help ensure a smooth and successful transition to competition in the local exchange market; and

WHEREAS, It also was recommended that Congress establish national policy goals to achieve, among other things, local competition and that the FCC promulgate broad guidelines consistent with these goals, with States given the responsibility and flexibility to meet the overall national policy, thereby ensuring a smoother transition to competition with a minimum of rate shock or service disruption; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at its 1994 Winter Meetings in Washington, D.C., endorses the testimony of Commissioners Rosenblum and Miller on H.R. 3636 and S. 1822; and be it further

RESOLVED, That NARUC supports continued dialogue with the Congress on these bills in an effort to seek clarification and modification of certain provisions of each bill, consistent with NARUC's Federal telecommunications legislative policy principles and the testimony of Commissioners Rosenblum and Miller.

Sponsored by the Committee on Communications
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