

**Resolutions Concerning
Caller Identification Service**

WHEREAS, Congress is considering legislation that would require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct a rule making to prescribe regulations regarding caller identification services; and

WHEREAS, The proposed legislation would require common carriers, or any person that makes use of the facilities of a common carrier, to allow the caller to withhold the display of the caller's telephone number from the telephone or other instrument of the party receiving the call (call blocking); and

WHEREAS, Technology in this field is growing at such a rapid rate, that the federal guidelines set down today may soon become obsolete; and

WHEREAS, Many state regulatory agencies have approved caller identification services and are allowing the testing of the technology and the implementation of service; and

WHEREAS, Trials conducted in numerous states have provided caller identification services with varying degrees of call blocking or no blocking at all; and

WHEREAS, State regulators are in a position to evaluate caller identification services in their respective states and determine how caller identification services should be regulated; and

WHEREAS, Under current circumstances, caller identification services are primarily intrastate services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at Summer Meeting in San Francisco, California, opposes any legislation that preempts state regulators' powers and duties to determine regulatory policy for intrastate caller identification service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the staff of the NARUC be directed to convey the concerns expressed in this resolution to the members of Congress.

Sponsored by the Committee on Communications
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