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MEMORANDUM

TO: Subcommittee Staff
FR: David Aylward
RE: FCC Authorization

As we discussed last Friday, it is in everyone's interests to share as much information as possible about proposals to amend this legislation if Reps. Swift, Tauke, and Tauzin proceed with their efforts to add their deregulation amendment to the bill, and if they are successful.

Attached is a package of amendments which Subcommittee or full Committee Members either will offer or have expressed serious interest in offering -- which so far have come to my attention. As we all know, many more are being discussed, negotiated, or created! These are the ones I have seen so far.

Tim's very strong preference is still to keep the authorization clean of all substantive amendments and he is still doing everything he can to accomplish this goal.

Attachments

[May 10, 1983]

[Pole Attachments]

AMENDMENT TO H.R. _____

Add at the end thereof the following new section:

1 SEC. ____ . Funds authorized to be appropriated under this
2 Act to the Federal Communications Commission shall be used
3 by the Commission to prescribe (and make effective not later
4 January 1, 1984) regulations which apply with respect to the
5 poles, ducts, conduits, and right-of-ways owned or
6 controlled (1) by any electric utilities owned by any State
7 or political subdivision of any State and (2) by any
8 cooperatively organized telephone company, to the same
9 extent and manner as section 224 of the Communications Act
10 of 1934 applies with respect to those owned or controlled by
11 utilities (as defined in section 224 of such Act).

[May 10, 1983]

[FINANCIAL INTEREST, SYNDICATION, AND PRIME TIME ACCESS
RULES]

AMENDMENT TO H.R. _____

OFFERED BY MR. WAXMAN

Add at the end thereof the following new section:

1 SEC. _____. (a) No part of the funds authorized to be
2 appropriated under this Act may be used by the Federal
3 Communications Commission to take any action to repeal,
4 amend, or otherwise modify the provisions or applicability
5 of any of the following (as in effect May 1, 1983):

6 (1) section 73.658(j)(i) of title 47, Code of
7 Federal Regulations (commonly known as the "Syndication
8 Rule"; 23 F.C.C. 2d 382);

9 (2) section 73.658(j)(ii) of title 47, Code of
10 Federal Regulations (commonly known as the "Financial
11 Interest Rule"; 23 F.C.C. 2d 382); and

12 (3) section 73.658(k) of title 47, Code of Federal
13 Regulations (commonly known as the "Prime Time Access
14 Rule"; 23 F.C.C. 2d 382).

15 (b) If any such repeal, amendment, or modification has
16 been taken by the Commission after May 1, 1983, and before
17 October 1, 1983, then funds authorized to be appropriated to
18 the Commission under this Act shall be used by the
19 Commission to take such actions (to be effective not later

1 than December 1, 1983) to assure that the provisions and
2 applicability of the rules described in subsection (a)(1),
3 (2), and (3) are the same as were in effect May 1, 1983.