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S. 271

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

AN ACT

To repeal section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That this Act may be cited as the "International Record Car-
4 rier Competition Act of 1981".

5 SEC. 2. Section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934
6 is repealed.

7 SEC. 3. In addition to its responsibilities pursuant to the
8 Communications Act of 1934, the Federal Communications
9 Commission shall require domestic telegraph carriers to pro-
10 vide communications facilities to any international telegraph
11 carrier which makes a reasonable request for such services or

1 facilities upon terms and conditions which are just, reason-
2 able, equitable, nondiscriminatory, and in the public interest.

3 SEC. 4. Nothing in the Communications Act of 1934
4 shall be construed to prohibit the entry of international record
5 carriers into the domestic market, and the Federal Communi-
6 cations Commission is directed to act expeditiously upon all
7 applications filed by international record carriers to provide
8 domestic telex service pursuant to the Communications Act
9 of 1934.

10 SEC. 5. The Federal Communications Commission shall
11 exercise its authority under the Communications Act of 1934
12 to continue oversight over the establishment of just, reason-
13 able, equitable, and nondiscriminatory distribution formulas
14 for unrouted outbound telegraph or record traffic and the di-
15 vision of revenues. This provision shall cease to have any
16 force or effect at the end of the three-year period beginning
17 on the date of enactment of this Act.

18 SEC. 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
19 Federal Communications Commission shall not be authorized
20 to act upon any application to provide international telegraph
21 or record service which is filed by a domestic telegraph carri-
22 er pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934 until one
23 hundred twenty days after the date of enactment of this Act.

Attest:

WILLIAM F. HILDENBRAND,

Secretary.