

RESOLUTION ON THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1981

- WHEREAS, H.R. 5158, the Telecommunications Act of 1981, affirms the need for a wide variety of information sources and unimpeded flow of information; and
- WHEREAS, hearings will be held in the near future on H.R. 5158 before the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Consumer Protection, and Finance, chaired by Rep. Timothy E. Wirth, sponsor of H.R. 5158; and
- WHEREAS, Rep. Wirth and members of the House Subcommittee have made clear their intent to deal with first amendment issues, the need for a wide diversity of information sources, the need for encouraging competition in the telecommunications industry, and the need for protecting the telecommunications consumer; now, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, that the American Library Association participate in and support public hearings on H.R. 5158 and urge its members to make their views known at such hearings in order to support and strengthen the proposed legislation; and be it
- FURTHER RESOLVED, that the American Library Association support the intent of Rep. Wirth and members of the Subcommittee to encourage competition and a wide variety of information sources on telecommunications channels; and be it
- FURTHER RESOLVED, that the American Library Association commend Rep. Wirth and members of the Subcommittee for their efforts on behalf of the American telecommunications consumer.

Adopted by the Council of the
American Library Association
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