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DOLE SAYS FINAL ACTION BY FCC ON ACCESS CHARGES COMPLETELY ELIMINATES NEED FOR LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today said that he was pleased that the Federal Communications Commission has made final its order to impose a moratorium on telephone access charges on residential and small business customers.

"Finalizing last week's tentative decision to delay the access charge ruling completely nullifies the need for federal legislation," said Senator Dole. "It is a consumers' victory, and the Senate should join in the celebration by defeating any attempt to legislate on access charges."