

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1542**  
**OFFERED BY MR. MARKEY**  
**(Internet charges prohibition)**

Page 6, line 13, strike “(a) FREEDOM FROM REGULATION.—” and insert the following:

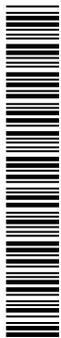
1           “(a) FREEDOM FROM REGULATION.—  
2                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—”.

Page 6, after line 20, insert the following new paragraph:

3                   “(2) PROHIBITION OF CHARGES ON PROVIDERS  
4           OF INTERNET TELEPHONE SERVICE.—Notwith-  
5           standing subsection (b)(4) or (d) of section 254 or  
6           any other provision of this title, the Commission  
7           may not impose on any provider of telecommuni-  
8           cations service that uses the Internet for  
9           transmission—

10                   “(A) any contribution for the support of  
11           universal service with respect to such trans-  
12           missions; or

13                   “(B) any access charge under part 69 of  
14           the Commission’s regulations (47 C.F.R. part



1           69) or any successor regulation with respect to  
2           such transmissions,  
3           that is based on a measure of the time that tele-  
4           communications services are used in the provision of  
5           such telephone service. The Commission may im-  
6           pose, as it deems necessary for the preservation of  
7           universal service, flat rate, non-usage-sensitive con-  
8           tributions for the support of universal service with  
9           respect to such transmission.”.

