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No thanks to the FCC for allowing local phone MONOPOLIES to charge long-distance companies more access charges to "defray costs", this rule is only hurting the American consumer and their right to chose a long-distance company. Local Phone Co.'s are making more than enough profit for the services they provide. The passing of the Telecommunications Act in 1996 was a great step in providing Americans with the right to chose and now the FCC undoes as the good it has tried to do by allowing local phone co.'s to continue to manipulate their customers and provide poor service at unexcitable rates. It is no wonder the American public has little confidence in its government. Although if the FCC wanted local phone co.'s to extend their monopolies, I guess the FCC has accomplished something. I am tired of the government claiming the are going to help the American people by opening markets and trade and then stabbing the public in the back and allowing such robbery to occur.

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When is the FCC going to do something about breaking up local telephone company monopolies and allow competition in local markets?

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I currently have no choice over my local telephone service provider; this is not good! This results in me being hostage to one company's rates, policies, and practices. If I don't like them, well, that's tough for me. It also results in the local company charging my long distance provider access fees, which, of course, gets passed on to me, the consumer.

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Our country's economic model calls for free enterprise operations. Why does this not apply to local telephone service?

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