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There is no legitimate reason for cable companies enjoying an exemption from the well-founded laws applied to similar industries. Sound laws can be applied without exemptions. A law with exemptions is a second-rate law that should be rigorously challenged. I submit that lawmakers authoring or voting for laws with exemptions are second-rate (or corrupt) lawmakers who should be rigorously challenged for their ability (or allegiance) to wield power.

I would go farther to say that cable companies continue to enjoy a stranglehold on sports broadcasting. For example, I don't have cable but I enjoy NBA games. I am barred from purchasing the right to watch certain games from the NBA because I live within a certain radius of an NBA team. A cable channel owns the rights to broadcast the games on their network, thereby forcing me to pay more than a thousand dollars a year to watch games that I am willing to purchase from the NBA.