

I live in an apartment complex owned and operated by Mid-America Apartment Communities. This company recently notified tenants that they have teamed up with Comcast Cable so that cable service can be offered at a reduced rate. This notice and the attached revised utility section of the rental agreement indicate that every tenant is required to pay \$40 per month for this service. The television portion of my current cable bill is \$8.10. This "reduced rate" that is being forced on tenants is 5x my current cable bill and will provide me with television that I will not ever watch. Tenants were never informed that something like this was in the works and were not asked if this is something they would want.

I feel that it is unfair that tenants have cable service forced on them. Not all tenants currently have or want the cable service that is being dictated to them. Renters should be able to choose where they get their service and how much service they receive. Cable service is not a necessity and should not be a requirement to rent an apartment.