

Nevada's Cable & Telecom Companies Support AB526

Nevada's cable and telephone companies support this legislation because it:

- Treats all franchised providers fairly and equally.
- Reduces the regulatory burdens on all franchised providers.
- Streamlines the franchising process.
- Encourages fair competition and infrastructure investment.
- Retains municipal control of rights of way, franchise fees and PEG channels.

Why a Statewide Video Franchise?

Competition Thrives & Consumers Win

- **By adopting this legislation, the State of Nevada will join the dozen of other states** that have amended their video franchise procedures to reflect new market conditions over the past year.
- **This legislation streamlines and simplifies video franchising in the State of Nevada**, making it easy for new entrants and existing providers to obtain and renew franchises to provide video service.
- **The bill ensures fair competition** by creating non-discriminatory regulations applicable to providers who use public rights of way.
- **The bill ensures that local governments continue to receive franchise fees** and maintain their important roles as stewards of the public rights-of-way.
- **The bill maintains the ability of governments, educational institutions, and members of the public to use the video networks** to disseminate information and ideas through access channels.
- **Customers should have many alternatives for video services including: cable operators, satellite video providers, telephone companies, wireless providers and myriad Internet service providers.** The cable and telephone industries support fair competition that brings choice and value to consumers.

PLEASE SUPPORT BILL AB526