

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION 638

2 WHEREAS, Reasonable and fair access to the Internet
3 benefits all citizens of Illinois; and

4 WHEREAS, Businesspersons and residents in some rural and
5 urban areas must pay per-minute telephone charges to access
6 national Internet service providers because the access
7 numbers maintained by those Internet service providers are
8 more than 8 miles from their businesses or residences, while
9 businesspersons and residents in other rural and urban areas
10 currently benefit from untimed telephone charges because
11 those Internet service providers maintain access numbers that
12 are less than 8 miles from their businesses or residences;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, High-speed digital subscriber line (DSL) service
15 is unavailable to businesspersons and residents in some rural
16 and urban areas, while businesspersons and residents in other
17 rural and urban areas currently benefit from DSL service; and

18 WHEREAS, Internet access is increasingly important for
19 educational and business purposes, and it is inappropriate
20 for businesspersons and residents in some rural and urban
21 areas to pay high telephone charges and lack access to
22 high-speed service while businesspersons and residents in
23 other rural and urban areas currently enjoy untimed telephone
24 charges and have access to high-speed service; therefore, be
25 it

26 RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
27 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
28 we urge national Internet service providers to maintain
29 access numbers that are less than 8 miles from all businesses
30 and residences in rural and urban areas of this State; and be
31 it further

1 RESOLVED, That we urge digital subscriber line (DSL)
2 service providers to provide DSL access to all businesses and
3 residences in rural and urban areas of this State; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be delivered to
6 the Illinois Commerce Commission with directions that the
7 Commission deliver a copy of this resolution to each national
8 Internet service provider that does business in Illinois and
9 to each digital subscriber line (DSL) service provider that
10 does business in Illinois.