



AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM

# LEGISLATIVE ALERT

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## **ATR STRONGLY OPPOSES ANY AMENDMENTS TO S. 2686 MANDATING NETWORK NEUTRALITY**

Americans for Tax Reform strongly opposes any amendments to S. 2686, the Communications, Consumer's Choice and Broadband Deployment Act of 2006 that would mandate so-called "network neutrality." This includes any legislative vehicle either requiring network neutrality via congressional mandate or by granting the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rulemaking authority in this area.

Government regulation of the Internet is contradictory to the free market philosophy that has allowed the Internet to flourish for more than a decade. ATR believes that language regarding network neutrality in the Communications, Consumer's Choice and Broadband Deployment Act of 2006 already goes too far; stronger language mandating network neutrality would represent the beginning of Internet regulation, discouraging innovation and investment in all sectors of the Internet.

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