

Dear Representative:

Landlines should remain an option for telephone customers.

Cell phones have brought communication to parts of the world that had none, and have made remarkable contributions to the world. However, there is a downside. The radiation emitted from cell phones may pose health risks.

In 2011, based on existing research, The World Health Organization listed cell phones as a class 2B possible carcinogen. Their findings should not be taken lightly.

The higher risk of cancer is not the only cause for concern: A recent study at Yale University suggested that cell phones may have devastating effects on the neurological development of fetuses. A Danish study in 2010 raised similar concerns regarding the exposure of fetuses to cell phones.

In addition to health, the possible health risks for all of us, there is a growing number of people who are sensitive to the radio frequencies from cell phones and other RF emitting devices. The needs of these people should not be ignored.

What we don't know, can hurt us. More non industry research into the health effects of this technology is needed.

In the meantime, landlines should remain an option. SB 636 should be defeated.