Senate Resolution 938

By: Senators Beach of the 21st, Gooch of the 51st, Hill of the 4th, Mullis of the 53rd and Albers of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging the United States Federal Communications Commission to reconsider its proposed
- 2 rule regarding use of the 5.850-5.925 GHz band; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the United States Federal Communications Commission is considering a rule
- 4 relating to use of the 5.850-5.925 GHz band which could have far-reaching and widespread
- 5 implications; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission's proposed rule regarding use of the
- 7 5.850-5.925 GHz band runs counter to a goal of reducing serious injuries and fatalities from
- 8 traffic collisions; and
- 9 WHEREAS, studies by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration show that an
- 10 estimated 80 percent of serious injuries and fatalities from traffic collisions can be mitigated
- 11 through advanced transportation technologies that utilize the 5.9 GHz band; and
- WHEREAS, the entire 5.9 GHz band is needed for transportation safety (V2X) related technologies that can create seamless, cooperative road environments to improve safety and save lives; and
- 15 WHEREAS, in order for connected vehicle technologies to achieve full potential, the16 5.9 GHz band needs to be dedicated to transportation safety purposes; and
- WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission should allocate adequate bandwidth
 for all connected vehicle technologies to protect ongoing investments by the private and
 public sectors; and
- WHEREAS, adequate bandwidth is necessary to ensure the development and deployment of next generation connected vehicle technology and to protect from interference with unlicensed Wi-Fi; and

- 23 WHEREAS, the United States Federal Communications Commission is urged to preserve
- 24 the full 75 MHz of safety spectrum in the 5.9 GHz band, to provide adequate allocation of
- 25 bandwidth for V2X to protect ongoing investments by the public and private sectors, and to
- 26 provide additional bandwidth (45 MHz) for advanced transportation safety and protection
- 27 from unlicensed Wi-Fi interference.
- 28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 29 urge the United States Federal Communications Commission to reconsider its proposed rule
- 30 regarding use of the 5.850-5.925 GHz band.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the chairman of
- 33 the United States Federal Communications Commission.