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Statement from the Alabama Public Service Commission

Earlier this year, the Alabama Public Service Commission enacted new measures to provide some relief for families and children wishing to make phone calls to incarcerated Alabamians. With this new system of fairness about to take effect, our state is now faced with yet another federal agency interfering with our state's sovereignty by trying to override the plan unanimously passed by the Alabama Public Service Commission. Just like the EPA has issued mandates to do the bidding of liberal environmentalists, we now risk the FCC mandating higher fees on behalf of out of state corporations who will reap the benefits.

The staff at the Alabama Public Service Commission has worked diligently over the past year to develop new rules that put an end to the outrageous fees for those families simply looking to make a phone call. These reasonable limits are important because the families most affected by the fees are those who can least afford to make these expensive phone calls.

The Public Service Commission passed a plan that will help Alabama families. As a result, we will oppose any effort by the federal government to overturn the reforms that we have made to lessen the burden on citizens of our state.

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