



SYDNEY MURPHY

COUNTY JUDGE

The Honorable Robert Nichols
Texas State Senate
P.O. Box 12068 - Capitol Station
Austin, TX 78711

Via email: Robert.nichols@senate.texas.gov

RE: Support Senate Bill 586

Dear Senator Nichols:

We appreciate the representation you provide to our East Texas area and we write to you today to ask that you support a piece of legislation that is very important to our communities.

Senate Bill 586, by Senator Charles Perry, has been introduced and referred to your Business and Commerce Committee. This legislation contains the mechanism to continue the support for the small and rural telephone providers throughout this state.

Rural telecommunication companies, in our County and across the State, need the provisions in this bill that will allow them to continue to provide important services at reasonable rates and continue to connect our area to the rest of the state and beyond. The services that these small companies provide is not a luxury in our area, it is a necessity to our citizens, businesses, schools, hospitals and clinics and to the continued economic development of our communities.

We ask you to please review and support Senate Bill 586. Your support and vote for this important legislation will serve to benefit our area and will be greatly appreciated.

As always, we thank you for your time and attention to our needs here in East Texas. If you would like more information on why this legislation is important to Polk County, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Sydney Murphy".

Sydney Murphy, County Judge
On behalf of Commissioners Court
Polk County, Texas