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**AMENDMENT TO THE CHAIRMAN'S MARK
For the Fiscal Year 2001 Senate Budget Resolution**

Offered by Senator Boxer

To support full funding of the President's digital opportunity initiatives.

1. The Senate finds that -
 - (A) Computers, the Internet, and information networks are not luxury items but basic tools largely responsible for driving the current economic expansion.
 - (B) Information technology utility relies on software applications and online content.
 - (C) Access to computers and the Internet and the ability to use this technology effectively is becoming increasingly important for full participation in America's economic, political, and social life.
 - (D) Unequal access to technology and high-tech skills by income, educational level, race, and geography could deepen and reinforce the divisions that exist within American society.

2. It is the sense of the Senate that the ~~Budget Resolution~~ assumes full funding for the President's digital opportunity initiative, which includes tax incentives and funding to-

- (A) broaden access to information technologies;
- (B) provide workers and teachers with information technology training;
- (C) promote innovative online content and software applications that will improve commerce, education and quality of life;
- (D) help provide information and communications technology to underserved communities;

*Appropriations and Finance Committees
should support efforts that address
the digital divide, including*

[worked out w/ Boxer's staff before accepted]

VOTE ON: _____

DATE: _____

YEA

*by voice vote with
Modification*

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