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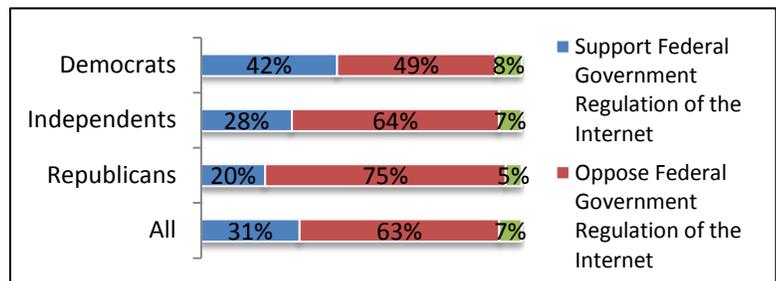
# WASHINGTON WEAKENS WEB



The Obama Administration continues to over-regulate the American economy – sector by sector.

When the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) forced through its “Net Neutrality” rule, Washington kicked the door open to take over 1/6 of our economy. This unprecedented decision by three unelected FCC bureaucrats transferred the future of the internet out of the hands of the American people – and into the hands of government. Once again, Washington is trying to fix something that’s not broken.

*“The rules will give government, for the first time, a substantive role in how the Internet will be operated and managed, how broadband services will be priced and structured, and potentially how broadband networks will be financed. By replacing market forces and technological solutions with bureaucratic oversight, we may see an Internet future not quite as bright as we need, with less investment, less innovation and more congestion.” - Former FCC Commissioner Meredith Baker*



The American people have made it clear they oppose this takeover.

Republicans are responding to the American people’s outrage about government putting its hands on the Internet. Senator Hutchison has introduced S. J. Res. 6 to nullify “Net Neutrality” rules. The regulation was published in the Federal Register on September 23. The Senate has until approximately December 26 to act under the Congressional Review Act.

## **The White House Rolls Out More Red Tape in September**

The Obama Administration rolled out more red tape last month that makes it harder and more expensive for the private sector to create jobs:

- 230 Proposed Rules at a cost of \$291 million
- 338 Final Rules at a cost of \$10 billion