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1. Registrant name Telecommunications Industry Association			
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4a. Contact Name Mr. Grant Seiffert	b. Telephone number 703-907-7700	c. E-mail gseiffert@tiaonline.org	5. Senate ID # 37697-12
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self Telecommunications Industry Association			6. House ID # 30138000

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2005 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

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<p align="center">12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇌ \$ _____</p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p align="center">13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇌ \$ <u>260,000</u></p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Revenue Code</p>
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LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. **Using a separate page for each code** information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code COM - Communications/Broadcasting/Radio/TV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Video Franchising - H.R.3146 and S.1349 "Video Choice Act of 2005": Eliminates franchise requirements for Video while imposing a list of obligations and duties, including fees based on revenue, PEG, etc. Limits the franchise fee for new entrants to that leveled on any incumbent cable operator. Adds a provision limiting the maximum franchise fee per individual locality to a statewide average.
DTV Transition - S.1268 "SAVE LIVES Act": Introduced in order to expedite the DTV transition; freeing up spectrum for first responders. Sets the deadline at December 31, 2008. Appropriates \$468 million from

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

US House of Representatives
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18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Grant Seiffert	
Derek Khlopin	
Bill Belt	
Danielle Jafari	
Brian Regan	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

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ADDENDUM for General Lobbying Issue Area COM

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the spectrum auction to subsidize distribution of digital-to-analog converters to households relying on over the air broadcasting and whose income is less than 200% above the poverty line.

DTV Transition - H.R.4241 "The Deficit Reduction Act of 2005; Title I: Digital Television Transition Act of 2005": Sets a hard date for the DTV transition of December 31, 2008. Allocates \$990 million minus administrative expenses of the sale of the freed up spectrum to subsidize digital to analog converter boxes. Provides \$500 million of the auction proceeds to help ensure interoperability for first responders.

DTV Transition - S.1932 "The Deficit Reduction Reconciliation Act of 2005; Title III: Digital Transition and Public Safety Act of 2005": Sets a hard date for the DTV transition on April 7, 2009. Provides a fund for the proceeds from the auction of the spectrum. The uses include subsidizing converter boxes, subsidizing low-power television stations from analog to digital, providing state and local interoperability grants and providing assistance to coastal states affected by natural disasters. Authorizes funds in the order of \$5 billion to be allocated to these purposes.

Universal Service Fund - S.1583 "Universal Service for the 21st Century Act": Directs the FCC to establish a permanent mechanism to support USF. The FCC will have official jurisdiction over establishing rates for interstate carrier compensation. Establishes a "Broadband for Unserved Areas" account within the USF, with the FCC defining unserved as some benchmark ratio of transmission speed to cost to the consumer.

Universal Service Fund - H.R.1479 "Rural Access to Broadband Service Act": Promotes rural access to broadband services by extending tax relief to qualified broadband expenditures incurred by providers. Provides for the creation of a Rural Broadband Office within the Department of Commerce.

Universal Service Fund - S.284 "Rural Universal Service Equity Act of 2005": Extends USF support to provide for rural, insular and high cost areas with a wire center in which incumbent local exchange carrier's average cost per line exceeds the national average by an amount determined by the FCC. Ensures that no state receive less funding for USF support in high cost areas than otherwise calculated.

Universal Service Fund - H.R.2533 and S.241: Amends Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as USF contributions are not subject to certain provisions of the Anti-deficiency Act. Exempts all USF funds received from certain accounting requirements.

Universal Service Fund - "Universal Service Reform Act of 2005": Creates a definition of a "communications service provider" to include traditional telephone service providers as well as any entity that uses IP addresses and any entity that offers a network connection to the public for a fee. Establishes a broad contribution base to the universal service fund (USF) that includes "communications service providers." Allows USF recipients to use USF support to fund the deployment of broadband services.

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15. General issue area code TEC - Telecommunications (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Telecom Act Rewrite - S.1504 "Broadband Investment and Consumer Choice Act": Eliminates titles I, II and VI of the act and any equivalent state requirement on telecom or information services, except for CALEA, indecency, etc. Establishes that consumers may not be blocked access to legal content (eg. oIP) provided over facilities used to provide broadband service. Eliminates video franchising process, leasing and build out requirements, but retains fees based on 5% of revenue, PEG, privacy, etc. and ceases existing cable franchises. ILEC's must provide until 1/01/2011, unbundled local access to copper loops

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and resale narrowband services. Municipalities can deploy if they give ILEC's notice, time to bid and preferential bid.

Telecom Act Rewrite - "House BITS Bill (Second Draft)": Provides a framework for regulation of Broadband Internet Transmission Service (BITS) and Broadband Internet Transmission (BIT) providers - includes ISP's & VoIP providers. Defines broadband video service as having to integrate the capability to access Internet content (which could be something as simple as caller ID) of the consumers' choice. BITS and VoIP providers offering service in any state are required to register with the FCC. Equipment manufacturers for BIT, BITS, VoIP service or broadband video service must ensure that equipment is usable by persons with disabilities unless they demonstrate that such a requirement would result in an undue burden.

Municipal Broadband - H.R.2726 "Preserving Innovation in Telecom Act of 2005": Prohibits municipalities from offering telecom, information or cable services. Provides exceptions for instances of market failure and pre-existing municipal deployment.

Municipal Broadband - S.1294 "Community Broadband Act of 2005": Authority under 47 U.S.C. code 706. Protects providers of advanced telecom services from State statutes, regulations or other State legal requirements that prohibit the provider from providing advanced services. Also protects against private provider discrimination by public providers. Maintains that all Federal and State regulations applicable to all providers of advanced services must still be applied to public providers.

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15. General issue area code HOM - Homeland Security (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Public Safety - S.1753 "WARN Act": Establishes an all hazards public alert system to supplement the existing system. Mandates operation across the greatest possible variety of media including: digital and analog broadcast, cable, satellite television and radio, wireless telecommunications and hardwire telecommunications. Establishes a Nation Program Office within the NOAA that will in turn establish a working group comprised to telecommunications industry representatives.
Public Safety - S.1725 "Assure Emergency and Interoperable Communications for First Responders Act"

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of 2005": To strengthen Federal leadership for the provision of interoperable equipment for first responders by establishing an Office for Emergency Communications, Interoperability and Compatibility within the Directorate of Science and Technology of the Department of Homeland Security. Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide grants to states and eligible regions to improve emergency communications capabilities.

Public Safety - S.1063 "IP Enabled Voice Communications and Public Safety Act of 2005": Directs the FCC to prescribe regulations to establish a set of requirements or obligations on providers of IP-enabled voice services to ensure that 911 services and E-911 services are available to customers of IP-enabled voice service. Include an amendment that explicitly limits the FCC from requiring or imposing a specific technology, product or technology standard.

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15. General issue area code TAX - Taxation/Internal Revenue Code (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Research and Development - S.627 "Investment in America Act of 2005": Makes permanent the R&D tax credit which is currently due to expire on December 31, 2005. Provides for an increase in the alternative incremental credit rate as well as for the addition of an alternative simplified credit. Allows firms the ability to elect to use either the old or new credit rate.
Research and Development - H.R.609 "College Access and Opportunity Act of 2005": A broad education legislation that, among many other things, authorizes \$40 million for 1,000 new collegiate math and

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science scholarships, as well as \$5,000 loan forgiveness to graduates who commit to teaching science. Provides teaching institutions with funds used exclusively for the creation of programs for recruiting teachers from the tech industries, as well as for the fields of science, mathematics and engineering.

Research and Development - S.9 "Lifetime of Education Opportunities Act of 2005": Similar to the House legislation; proposes loan forgiveness to graduates committing to teaching math or science in high need areas a minimum of 5 years.

Research and Development - S.A.1991 "SMART Amendment": (Amendment to S.1042 "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006"): Part of the Defense authorization. Aimed at improving the civilian base of scientists and engineers. Doubles funding (to \$20 million) of the DoD SMART Scholars program which provides scholarships for graduate and undergraduate students in science and engineering who commit to civilian Defense Department work after graduation. Increases spending on basic research by \$5 million. Amendment passed on October 6, 2005.

Research and Development - H.R.6 "Energy Policy Act of 2005": Section 1103 deals with educational programs in science and mathematics by amending the Department of Energy Science Education Enhancement Act. Authorizes the Secretary of the fund to use no less than 0.2% of the amount available to the department for fiscal year 2006. The funds will be used to support education activities for grades K-12.

Research and Development - H.R.2862 "Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006": The Senate version includes language appropriating the Advanced Technology Program (ATP) within the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) - the House version does not. ATP will receive funding equal to last year's amount of \$140 million. The program provides start-up funding for generic technologies.

Research and Development - H.R.250 "Manufacturing Technology Competitiveness Act of 2005": Authorizes legislation directing the President to create an Interagency Committee (IC) to plan and coordinate federal efforts in manufacturing research and development with an Advisory Committee from the non-federal sector. Establishes a pilot program of collaborative manufacturing research grants. Requires the NIST Director to establish a program of manufacturing sciences research fellowships at the postdoctoral and the senior established researcher levels.

Research and Development - H.R.3331 "To provide funding to enable institutions of higher education to establish a grant program to bridge the gap between laboratory discovery and commercially viable research.": Mandates that the National Science Foundation establish a program of grants to institutions of higher education to enable them to bridge the gap between laboratory discovery and commercially viable research. Authorizes \$10 million for fiscal year 2006 and necessary amounts for years 2007-2010.

Research and Development - "National Innovation Act of 2005": Creates an "Innovation Acceleration Grants Program" which encourages US government agencies that conduct research to commit 3% of their annual R&D budgets to long-term high risk research. Permanently extends the R&D tax credit. Proposes doubling the National Science Foundation (NSF) budget by fiscal year 2011.

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