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**Re: The Copyright (Amendment) Bill, 2010**

**New Delhi: August 30, 2011.....** The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) notes with regret and apprehension the changes introduced by the Ministry of HRD in the Copyright (Amendment) Bill, 2010 whereby the provision of Statutory Licensing is sought to be restricted only to “radio” and not to other broadcasting media like television; which changes will inure to the benefit only of vested business interests and act to the serious detriment of the fast growing broadcasting industry. These changes are also an attempt by the Ministry of HRD to overreach the Parliamentary Standing Committee, which had implicitly accepted the earlier dispensation. The NBA hopes the Ministry will restore the earlier provision covering all broadcasting media.

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