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BOB CUMMINGS hasn't heard the last from the phone company, which this week filed a civil suit against the actor demanding \$100,000 in damages for his alleged use of a

"blue box" to cheat on long distance call bills. Pacific Northwest Bell earlier had filed criminal suits against the actor in two courts in the state of Washington, but lost out when the state Supreme Court dismissed the case because of the double filing. Bell contends Cummings, 68, hooked up the ingenious device to his Seattle hotel room phone while making a theater appearance in the city a couple years ago.