

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

**H\*3344 (Rat #0011, Act #0006 of 2003) General Bill, By Cato, Kirsh, Jennings, Battle, Harvin, J.E. Smith, Sheheen, Trotter, Bingham, Chellis, Edge, Hamilton, Harrell, Harrison, Kennedy, Quinn, Richardson, Rutherford, Sandifer, Scarborough, W.D. Smith, Young, Barfield, Breeland, J. Brown, Clyburn, Cotty, Haskins, Huggins, Lourie, Merrill, Perry, Rice, Simrill, Taylor, Umphlett, Witherspoon, Bales, Lloyd, McCraw, Tripp, Walker, Thompson, Limehouse, Hagood, Toole, Hinson, Loftis, Weeks, Clemmons, Owens and McLeod**

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**Summary:** Broadband service exempted from regulation by the public service commission

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 58-9-10, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS PERTINENT TO THE REGULATION OF TELEPHONE COMPANIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR "BROADBAND SERVICE"; AND TO AMEND SECTION 58-9-280, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING A TELEPHONE COMPANY TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, SO AS TO EXEMPT BROADBAND SERVICE FROM REGULATION BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AND TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR FACILITIES USED BY RURAL TELEPHONE COMPANIES FOR THE PROVISION OF BROADBAND SERVICE, TO CLARIFY THAT THIS ACT DOES NOT AFFECT THE COMMISSION'S AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO SERVICES OTHER THAN BROADBAND SERVICE AND DOES NOT RELIEVE AN INCUMBENT LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER OF ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER FEDERAL LAW TO PROVIDE NEW LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS WITH UNBUNDLED ACCESS TO NETWORK ELEMENTS OR INTERCONNECTION, TO SPECIFY INFORMATION THAT THE COMMISSION MUST COMPILE IN ORDER TO MONITOR THE STATUS OF LOCAL TELEPHONE COMPETITION IN THE STATE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THIS ACT DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE COMMISSION FROM ASSESSING BROADBAND SERVICE REVENUES FOR PURPOSES OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE USF. - ratified title

<b>01/16/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time HJ-237</b>
<b>01/16/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-237</b>
<b>01/28/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Thompson, Limehouse</b>
<b>01/28/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: Wilkins</b>
<b>01/29/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hagood</b>
<b>01/29/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-34</b>
<b>01/30/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Toole, Hinson, Loftis, Weeks</b>
<b>02/04/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Clemmons, Owens, McLeod</b>
<b>02/04/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended HJ-24</b>
<b>02/04/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time HJ-26</b>
<b>02/05/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-15</b>
<b>02/05/03</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>02/05/03</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time SJ-11</b>
<b>02/05/03</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-11</b>
<b>02/26/03</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary SJ-23</b>
<b>02/27/03</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Amended SJ-18</b>
<b>02/27/03</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time SJ-18</b>
<b>03/04/03</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-19</b>
<b>03/05/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned HJ-20</b>
<b>03/06/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-18</b>
<b>03/06/03</b>		<b>Ratified R 11</b>
<b>03/12/03</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>03/19/03</b>		<b>Copies available</b>
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