

Session 111 - (1995-1996)

H*4694 (Rat #0431, Act #0354 of 1996) General Bill, By Harrison, Bailey, J.M. Baxley, Boan, T. Brown, Cave, Clyburn, Delleney, R.C. Fulmer, Govan, J.L. Harris, J.H. Hodges, Jennings, M.H. Kinon, Klauber, Knotts, L.H. Limbaugh, L.M. Martin, McCraw, J.H. Neal, Phillips, Meacham, Scott, J.S. Shissias, Simrill, D. Smith, Stuart, P.H. Thomas, J.W. Tucker, J.M. White, S.S. Wofford, D.A. Wright, Young-Brickell and W.J. Young

Similar (S 1224)

A Bill to amend Section 58-9-10, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the regulation of telephone companies and definitions, so as to add provisions defining "basic local exchange telephone service", "carrier of last resort", "incumbent local exchange carrier" or "incumbent LEC", "local exchange carrier" or "LEC", "new entrant local exchange carrier" or "new entrant LEC", "small local exchange carrier" or "small LEC", "telecommunications services", and "universal service"; to amend Section 58-9-280, relating to telephone companies and the requirement that a certificate of public convenience and necessity must be obtained before construction, operation, or extension of a plant or system, so as to add provisions which provide, among other things, that after notice and an opportunity to be heard, the Public Service Commission may grant a certificate to operate as a telephone utility to applicants proposing to furnish local telephone service in the service territory of an "incumbent LEC", subject to certain conditions and exemptions stated in this Section and in applicable Federal Law, that a LEC shall negotiate the rates, terms and conditions for local interconnection, that nothing in Chapter 9 of Title 58 shall be interpreted to limit or restrict any right that any local exchange carrier may have under Federal Law, and that any local exchange carrier, upon a showing of changed circumstances or that it is necessary or appropriate to realign rates with the costs of various telecommunications components, may petition the Commission to re-examine any rates that have been capped pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 9 of Title 58 and to set new price caps; and to amend the 1976 Code by adding Section 58-9-576, so as to provide, among other things, that any "LEC" may elect to have rates, terms and conditions pursuant to the plan described in Section 58-9-576(B), as long as the Commission has approved a local interconnection agreement in which the LEC is a participant with an entity determined by the Commission not to be affiliated with the LEC or the Commission determines that another provider's service competes with the LEC's basic local exchange telephone service; and Section 58-9-577, so as to provide, among other things, that, notwithstanding Sections 58-9-575 and 58-9-576, any small LEC may elect to have the rates, terms, and conditions of its services determined pursuant to alternative forms of regulation, which may differ among companies and may include, but not be limited to, price regulation, rather than rate of return or other forms of earning regulation.-amended title

02/29/96	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-5
02/29/96	House	Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-5
03/27/96	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-5
04/02/96	House	Debate adjourned until Wednesday, April 3, 1996 HJ-18
04/03/96	House	Objection by Rep. S. Whipper, L. Whipper, Anderson, Breeland, Cobb-Hunter, Howard, Cato, Cooper, Vaughn, Easterday, Young-Brickell, Cain, Marchbanks & Limbaugh HJ-42
04/17/96	House	Amended HJ-91
04/17/96	House	Read second time HJ-101
04/17/96	House	Roll call Yeas-101 Nays-0 HJ-101
04/18/96	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-43
04/23/96	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-24
04/23/96	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-24
04/24/96	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary SJ-31
04/30/96	Senate	Read second time SJ-48
04/30/96	Senate	Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-48
05/08/96	Senate	Amended SJ-21
05/09/96	Senate	Amended SJ-55
05/09/96	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-55
05/15/96	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-46
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