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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to telecommunications;
providing legislative intent relating to
network access services and universal services;
providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that intrastate switched access rates should be equitably and fairly applied in a manner that does not disrupt the ability of the customer to have access to telecommunications services that are provided at reasonable and affordable rates. It is further the intent of the Legislature that intrastate access charges should be reduced but the reduction should not impair the financial viability of telecommunications companies receiving such charges. It is further the intent of the Legislature that universal service be maintained after the local exchange market is opened to competitively provided services.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

HOUSE SUMMARY

Provides legislative intent relating to telecommunications network access services and universal services and the rates and charges for such services.