

By the Committee on Regulated Industries

315-257-00

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to telecommunications;  
3           providing legislative intent relating to laws  
4           and regulations governing local  
5           telecommunications services; providing  
6           legislative intent relating to the taxation of  
7           telecommunications services; providing an  
8           effective date.

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

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12           Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that  
13 laws and regulations relating to competition among providers  
14 of local telecommunications services, access charges for  
15 long-distance companies' use of local telecommunications  
16 networks, and the universal availability of local  
17 telecommunications services should promote competition, treat  
18 all telecommunications services providers fairly, and serve  
19 the best interests of the public.

20           Section 2. It is the intent of the Legislature that  
21 laws and regulations relating to the taxation of  
22 telecommunications services should be fair to all service  
23 providers, encourage competition, and speed the development of  
24 advanced technologies.

25           Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
26 law.

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29 SENATE SUMMARY

30 Expresses legislative intent relating to the regulation  
31 and taxation of telecommunications services.