

Bill No. HB 1649, 1st Eng.

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Senator Argenziano moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 628 and 629,

insert:

Section 20. (1) Local service competition
review.--The Public Service Commission shall by September 30,
2005, study and report on the impact that Federal
Communications Commission decisions and federal appellate
court decisions have had on the viability of basic local
telecommunications service competition in Florida subsequent
to the issuance of the commission's last report on the
competition to the Legislature. The study and report shall
specifically examine the recent publicly reported
announcements that major telecommunications companies would
abandon efforts to compete for basic local telecommunications
services in this state and report on the extent these
abandonments will impair future local service competition.

(2) Pending completion of the local service
competition review, any local service rate increases

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1 previously approved by the commission, but not yet implemented
 2 shall be suspended until June 1, 2006, so that the Legislature
 3 can determine whether the local rates increases will in fact
 4 stimulate local service competition as was previously
 5 contemplated.

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 7 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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11 And the title is amended as follows:

12 On page 3, line 7, after the semicolon,

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 14 insert:

15 requiring the commission to conduct a study;
 16 providing for a report

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