

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to annual reports on the
 3 telecommunications industry; amending s. 364.386, F.S.;
 4 revising the due date of a report to the Legislature by
 5 the Florida Public Service Commission on industry
 6 competition; providing for the commission to request data
 7 from providers of local exchange telecommunications
 8 services; requiring such providers to file certain
 9 information with the commission; providing an effective
 10 date.

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

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 14 Section 1. Section 364.386, Florida Statutes, is amended
 15 to read:

16 364.386 Reports to the Legislature.--

17 (1) (a) The commission shall submit to the President of the
 18 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the
 19 majority and minority leaders of the Senate and the House of
 20 Representatives, on August 1, 2008 ~~December 1, 1996~~, and on an
 21 annual basis thereafter, a report on the status of competition
 22 in the telecommunications industry and a detailed exposition of
 23 the following:

24 ~~1.(a)~~ The overall impact of local exchange
 25 telecommunications competition on the continued availability of
 26 universal service.

27 ~~2.(b)~~ The ability of competitive providers to make
 28 functionally equivalent local exchange services available to

29 both residential and business customers at competitive rates,
30 terms, and conditions.

31 ~~3.(e)~~ The ability of consumers to obtain functionally
32 equivalent services at comparable rates, terms, and conditions.

33 ~~4.(d)~~ The overall impact of price regulation on the
34 maintenance of reasonably affordable and reliable high-quality
35 telecommunications services.

36 ~~5.(e)~~ What additional services, if any, should be included
37 in the definition of basic local telecommunications services,
38 taking into account advances in technology and market demand.

39 ~~6.(f)~~ Any other information and recommendations which may
40 be in the public interest.

41 (b) The commission shall make an annual request to
42 providers of local exchange telecommunications services on or
43 before March 1, 2008, and on or before March 1 of each year
44 thereafter, for the data it requires to complete the report. A
45 provider of local exchange telecommunications services shall
46 file its response with the commission on or before April 15,
47 2008, and on or before April 15 of each year thereafter.

48 (2) In lieu of the quantitative part of the information
49 requested in the commission's annual data request, a provider of
50 local exchange telecommunications services may file the
51 following:

52 (a) A copy of the FCC Form 477 filed with the Federal
53 Communications Commission, which must identify Florida-specific
54 access line data; and

55 (b) Provisioned Florida access line data identified by
56 telephone exchange location.

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57 (3)~~(2)~~ The Office of Public Counsel is also directed to
58 submit a report on competition in the telecommunications
59 industry and on how the price regulation provisions of s.
60 364.051 have benefited the ratepayers and consumers of this
61 state and any other information and recommendations which may be
62 in the public interest.

63 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.