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The Committee on General Government Appropriations (Lawson) recommended the following **amendment to amendment** (054568):

Senate Amendment

On page 30, line 19, through
page 32, line 2, delete those lines

and insert: access services. The switched network access service rates in effect immediately prior to July 1, 2007, shall be, and shall remain, capped at that level until July 1, 2010. An interexchange telecommunications company may not institute any intrastate connection fee or any similarly named fee.

~~(1) After a local exchange telecommunications company's intrastate switched network access rates are reduced to or below parity, as defined in s. 364.164(5), the company's intrastate switched network access rates shall be, and shall remain, capped for 3 years.~~

~~(2) Any intrastate interexchange telecommunications company whose intrastate switched network access rate is reduced as a result of the rate adjustments made by a local~~

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1 ~~exchange telecommunications company in accordance with s.~~
2 ~~364.164 shall decrease its intrastate long distance revenues~~
3 ~~by the amount necessary to return the benefits of such~~
4 ~~reduction to both its residential and business customers. The~~
5 ~~intrastate interexchange telecommunications company may~~
6 ~~determine the specific intrastate rates to be decreased,~~
7 ~~provided that residential and business customers benefit from~~
8 ~~the rate decreases. Any in-state connection fee or similarly~~
9 ~~named fee shall be eliminated by July 1, 2006, provided that~~
10 ~~the timetable determined pursuant to s. 364.164(1) reduces~~
11 ~~intrastate switched network access rates in an amount that~~
12 ~~results in the elimination of such fee in a revenue-neutral~~
13 ~~manner. The tariff changes, if any, made by the intrastate~~
14 ~~interexchange telecommunications company to carry out the~~
15 ~~requirements of this subsection shall be presumed valid and~~
16 ~~shall become effective on 1 day's notice.~~

17 ~~(3) The commission shall have continuing regulatory~~
18 ~~oversight of intrastate switched network access and customer~~
19 ~~long distance rates for purposes of determining the~~
20 ~~correctness of any rate decrease by a telecommunications~~
21 ~~company resulting from the application of s. 364.164 and~~
22 ~~making any necessary adjustments to those rates.~~

23 Section 12. Subsection (4) is added to section
24 364.385, Florida Statutes, to read:

25 364.385 Saving clauses.--

26 (4) The rates and charges for basic local
27 telecommunications service and network access service approved
28 by the commission in accordance with the decisions set forth
29 in Orders Nos. PSC 03-1469-FOF-TL and PSC 04-0456-FOF-TL, and
30 which are in effect immediately prior to July 1, 2007, shall
31 remain in effect and such rates and charges may not be changed

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1 after the effective date of this act, except in accordance
2 with the provisions of ss. 364.051 and 364.163.

3 (4) The reductions in the rates and charges for
4 network access service approved by the commission in
5 accordance with the decisions set forth in Orders Nos. PSC
6 03-1469-FOF-TL and PSC 04-0456-FOF-TL shall be fully
7 implemented and thereafter shall remain in effect and capped
8 for 3 years. The commission has continuing regulatory
9 oversight to ensure that the network-switched access charge
10 reductions are implemented. The associated flow-throughs by
11 intrastate interexchange telecommunications companies shall be
12 implemented pursuant to those orders. The commission has
13 continuing regulatory oversight to determine the correctness
14 of the flow-through rate decreases made by interexchange
15 telecommunications companies, making adjustments to those
16 rates as necessary. The rates and charges for basic local
17 exchange telecommunications service of the local exchange
18 telecommunications companies whose network access service
19 rates were affected by Orders Nos. PSC 03-1469-FOF-TL and PSC
20 04-0456-FOF-TL which are in effect immediately prior to July
21 1, 2007, shall remain in effect and such rates and charges may
22 not be changed after the effective date of this act except in
23 accordance with the provisions of s. 364.051.

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