

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to designation of eligible
 3 telecommunications carriers; amending s. 364.10, F.S.;
 4 authorizing the Public Service Commission to designate
 5 any commercial mobile radio service provider as an
 6 "eligible telecommunications carrier" for the purpose
 7 of providing Lifeline service; providing an effective
 8 date.

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

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 12 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
 13 364.10, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 364.10 Lifeline service.—

15 (1)(a) An eligible telecommunications carrier shall
 16 provide a Lifeline Assistance Plan to qualified residential
 17 subscribers, as defined in the eligible telecommunications
 18 carrier's published schedules. For the purposes of this section,
 19 the term "eligible telecommunications carrier" means a
 20 telecommunications company, as defined by s. 364.02, which is
 21 designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the
 22 commission pursuant to 47 C.F.R. s. 54.201. Notwithstanding the
 23 provision of s. 364.011 that exempts certain commercial mobile
 24 radio service providers from commission oversight, the term
 25 "eligible telecommunications carrier" includes any commercial

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26 | mobile radio service provider designated by the commission
27 | pursuant to 47 C.F.R. s. 54.201 and the commission is authorized
28 | to make such a designation, upon petition, for the limited
29 | purpose of providing Lifeline service.

30 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.