

By Senator Rodriguez

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

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

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15           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
16           364.10, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

17           364.10 Lifeline service.—

18           (1) (a) An eligible telecommunications carrier shall provide  
19           a Lifeline Assistance Plan to qualified residential subscribers,  
20           as defined in the eligible telecommunications carrier's  
21           published schedules. For the purposes of this section, the term  
22           "eligible telecommunications carrier":

23           1. Means a telecommunications company, as defined by s.  
24           364.02, which is designated as an eligible telecommunications  
25           carrier by the commission pursuant to 47 C.F.R. s. 54.201; and

26           2. Notwithstanding the provision of s. 364.011 which  
27           exempts certain commercial mobile radio service providers from  
28           commission oversight, includes any commercial mobile radio  
29           service provider designated by the commission pursuant to 47

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30 C.F.R. s. 54.201. The commission, upon petition, may make such a  
31 designation for the limited purpose of providing Lifeline  
32 service.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.