SENATE BILL No. 1096

March 16, 2004, Introduced by Senators JACOBS, BERNERO and BRATER and referred to the Committee on Technology and Energy.

A bill to amend 1991 PA 179, entitled "Michigan telecommunications act," by amending section 305 (MCL 484.2305), as amended by 1995 PA 216.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 305. (1) A provider of basic local exchange service
- 2 shall not do any of the following:
- 3 (a) Discriminate against another provider by refusing or
- 4 delaying access service to the local exchange.
- (b) Refuse or delay interconnections or provide inferior
- connections to another provider.
 - (c) Degrade the quality of access service provided to another
- 8 provider.
 - (d) Impair the speed, quality, or efficiency of lines used by
- 10 another provider.

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- 1 (e) Develop new services to take advantage of planned but not
- 2 publicly known changes in the underlying network.
- 3 (f) Refuse or delay a request of another provider for
- 4 information regarding the technical design, equipment
- 5 capabilities and features, geographic coverage, and traffic
- 6 patterns of the local exchange network.
- 7 (g) Refuse or delay access service or be unreasonable in
- 8 connecting another provider to the local exchange whose product
- 9 or service requires novel or specialized access service
- 10 requirements.
- 11 (h) Upon a request, fail to fully disclose in a timely manner
- 12 all available information necessary for the design of equipment
- 13 that will meet the specifications of the local exchange network.
- 14 (i) Discriminate against any provider or any party who
- 15 requests the information for commercial purposes in the
- 16 dissemination of customer proprietary information. A provider
- 17 shall provide without unreasonable discrimination or delay
- 18 telephone directory listing information and related services to
- 19 persons purchasing telephone directory listing information to the
- 20 same extent and in the same quality as provided to the provider,
- 21 affiliates of the provider, or any other listing information
- 22 purchaser.
- 23 (j) Refuse or delay access service by any person to another
- 24 provider.
- 25 (k) Sell, lease, or otherwise transfer an asset to an
- 26 affiliate for an amount less than the fair market value of the
- 27 asset.

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- 1 (1) Buy, lease, or otherwise acquire an asset from an
- 2 affiliate of the provider for an amount greater than the fair
- 3 market value of the asset.
- 4 (m) Bundle unwanted services or products for sale or lease to
- 5 another provider.
- 6 (n) Perform any act that has been prohibited by this act or
- 7 an order of the commission.
- 8 (o) Sell services or products, extend credit, or offer other
- 9 terms and conditions on more favorable terms to an affiliate of
- 10 the provider than the provider offers to other providers.
- 11 (p) Discriminate in favor of an affiliated burglar and fire
- 12 alarm service over a similar service offered by another
- 13 provider.
- 14 (2) A provider of cellular telecommunication services shall
- 15 not do -either any of the following:
- 16 (a) Unreasonably provide services, extend credit, or offer
- 17 other terms and conditions on more favorable terms to an
- 18 affiliate of the provider or to its retail department that sells
- 19 to end users than the provider offers to other providers.
- 20 (b) Unreasonably use rates or proceeds from providers,
- 21 directly or indirectly, to subsidize or offset the costs of
- 22 cellular service offered by the provider, or an affiliate of the
- 23 provider, to other providers or to end-users.
- 24 (c) Unreasonably assess a charge or fee that penalizes a
- 25 customer for terminating a service contract prior to the
- 26 contract's expiration date. The charge or fee shall be the
- 27 actual cost to the provider or \$15.00, whichever is less.

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- 1 (3) Until a provider has complied with section 304a, the
- 2 provider of a rate regulated service shall not provide that
- 3 service in combination with an unregulated service in section 401
- 4 or an unbundled or resold service under section 357 at a price
- 5 that does not exceed the total service long run incremental cost
- 6 of each service.

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