

# HOUSE BILL No. 6551

November 9, 2010, Introduced by Rep. Melton and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

A bill to amend 1991 PA 179, entitled  
"Michigan telecommunications act,"  
by amending sections 202 and 309 (MCL 484.2202 and 484.2309), as  
amended by 2005 PA 235.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 202. (1) In addition to the other powers and duties  
2 prescribed by this act, the commission shall do all of the  
3 following:

4           (a) Establish by order the manner and form in which  
5 telecommunication providers of regulated services within the state  
6 keep accounts, books of accounts, and records in order to determine  
7 the total service long run incremental costs and imputation  
8 requirements of this act of providing a service. The commission  
9 requirements under this subdivision shall be consistent with any

1 regulations covering the same subject matter made by the federal  
2 communications commission.

3 (b) Require by order that a provider of a regulated service,  
4 including access service, make available for public inspection and  
5 file with the commission a schedule of the provider's rates,  
6 services, and conditions of service, including access service  
7 provided by contract.

8 (c) Promulgate rules under section 213 to establish and  
9 enforce quality standards for all of the following:

10 (i) The provision of basic local exchange service to end users.

11 (ii) The provision of unbundled network elements and local  
12 interconnection services to providers which are used in the  
13 provision of basic local exchange service.

14 (iii) The timely and complete transfer of an end user from 1  
15 provider of basic local exchange service to another provider.

16 (iv) Providers of basic local exchange service that cease to  
17 provide the service to any segment of end users or geographic area,  
18 go out of business, or withdraw from the state, including the  
19 transfer of customers to other providers and the reclaiming of  
20 unused telephone numbers.

21 (d) Preserve the provision of high quality basic local  
22 exchange service.

23 (2) Rules promulgated under subsection (1)(c) shall include  
24 remedies for the enforcement of the rules that are consistent with  
25 this act and federal law. Rules promulgated under subsection  
26 (1)(c)(ii) shall not apply to the provision of unbundled network  
27 elements and local interconnection services subject to quality

1 standards in an interconnection agreement approved by the  
2 commission. In promulgating any rules under subsection (1)(c), the  
3 commission shall consider to what extent current market conditions  
4 are sufficient to provide adequate service quality to basic local  
5 exchange service end users. Any service quality rules promulgated  
6 **UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(C)** by the commission shall expire ~~within 3~~  
7 ~~years of the effective date of the rules. The commission may, prior~~  
8 ~~to the expiration of the rules, promulgate new rules under~~  
9 ~~subsection (1)(c)~~ **ON JUNE 30, 2011.**

10 (3) The commission shall permit the electronic filing of any  
11 pleadings, tariffs, or ~~any~~ other document required or allowed to be  
12 filed with the commission under this act.

13 Sec. 309. (1) A provider of basic local exchange service shall  
14 provide to each customer local directory assistance and **MAY**  
15 **DISTRIBUTE A PRINTED TELEPHONE DIRECTORY TO EACH CUSTOMER. IF A**  
16 **PROVIDER OF BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE ELECTS NOT TO DISTRIBUTE A**  
17 **PRINTED TELEPHONE DIRECTORY TO EACH CUSTOMER, THAT PROVIDER SHALL**  
18 **PROVIDE A PRINTED TELEPHONE DIRECTORY TO A CUSTOMER UPON REQUEST,**  
19 at no additional charge to the customer. ~~an annual printed~~  
20 ~~telephone directory.~~

21 (2) A provider of basic local exchange service shall provide  
22 each customer at no additional charge the option of having access  
23 to 900 prefix services blocked through the customer's exchange  
24 service.