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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2441

"TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY REFORM
ACT."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2441.

Amend House Bill No. 2441 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 15 and substitute the following:
"REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 1997 TO PROMOTE THE PROPER APPLICATION OF ACCESS
CHARGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete everything after the enactment clause and substitute the following:
"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 17, Subchapter 4 is
amended to add a new section to read as follows:

23-17-414. Reporting of originating intrastate interexchange telephone
numbers.

(a) Where technically feasible, any telecommunications provider whose
customer originates or forwards an intrastate interexchange message to be
terminated over the public switched telecommunications network in Arkansas
shall transmit the jurisdictionally appropriate telephone number of the
originating party sending the message to the terminating telecommunications
provider.

(b)(1) The Arkansas Public Service Commission shall investigate
complaints alleging violations of this section filed under § 23-3-119 and may
obtain sufficient information to determine the correct jurisdiction of any
message associated with alleged violations of this section.

(2) If the commission determines that the jurisdictionally
appropriate telephone number has not been transmitted as required by this
section, the telecommunications provider against whom the complaint was filed
shall demonstrate that it had a legitimate business purpose for not
transmitting the jurisdictionally appropriate telephone number or that it was
technically infeasible to for the provider to transmit the number.

(c)(1) If the commission determines that a telecommunications provider
has violated this section, the commission shall determine the amount of
underpayment to any telecommunications provider as a result of the violation,
and shall order the violating telecommunications provider to make payment
under the applicable tariff or interconnection agreement, including any



penalties specified therein.

(2) If no penalties are specified under either the applicable tariffs or interconnection agreements, the commission may assess a fine against the violating telecommunications provider and may take any other action consistent with state law that it deems necessary.

The Amendment was read
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