Hall of the House of Representatives

84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003

Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2817

"TO RESTRUCTURE THE ARKANSAS INTRASTATE CARRIER COMMON LINE POOL TO PROMOTE LOWER INTRASTATE TOLL RATES."

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 2817.

Amend House Bill No. 2817 as engrossed, H3/31/03:

Add the following Representative as cosponsor of the bill: Nichols

AND

Add the following Senator as cosponsor of the bill: Horn

AND

Page 1, delete line 33 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 23-17-403(10), concerning the definition of eligible communications carrier under the Telecommunications Regulatory Act of 1997, is amended to read as follows:

(10) "Eligible telecommunications carrier" means the local exchange carrier determined in accordance with $\frac{\$ 23-17-205}{\$ 23-27-405}$;

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code \S 23-17-403(16), concerning the definition of "

AND

Page 2, line 5 delete "SECTION 3." and substitute the following: "SECTION 4."

AND

Page 2, delete line 12 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 23-17-403(27), concerning the definition of universal service under the Telecommunications Regulatory Act of 1997, is amended to read as follows:

(27) "Universal service" means those telecommunications services that are defined and listed in the definition of basic local exchange service until changed by the commission pursuant to $\frac{23-17-404(e)(3)}{23-17-404(e)(3)}$

404(e)(2)(A).

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code \S 23-17-403, concerning definitions under the"

AND

Page 5, line 14 delete "SECTION 5." and substitute the following: "SECTION 7."

AND

Page 6, line 32 delete, "December 31, 2004," and substitute "December 31, 2003,"

AND

Page 9, line 33 delete "December 31, 2004," and substitute "December 31, 2003,"

AND

Page 13, line 25 delete "Arkansas Calling Plan" and substitute "Extension of Telecommunications Facilities"

AND

Page 14, delete line 1 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 23-17-409(a), authorizing competing local exchange carriers, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A) Consistent with the federal act and the provisions of § 23-17-410, the Arkansas Public Service Commission is authorized to grant certificates of convenience and necessity to telecommunications providers authorizing them to provide telecommunications services including basic local exchange service or switched-access service, or both, to an incumbent local exchange carrier's local exchange area if and to the extent that the applications otherwise comply with state law, designate the geographic areas proposed to be served by the applicants, and the applicants demonstrate they possess the financial, technical, and managerial capacity to provide the competing services.

(B) No telecommunications provider shall operate as a CLEC in this state without first obtaining from the commission a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

- (2) Competing local exchange carriers shall be required to maintain a current tariff or price list with the commission and to make prices and terms of service available for public inspection.
- (3) Retail prices of competing local exchange carriers shall not require prior review or approval by the commission.
 - SECTION 9. Arkansas Code, Title 23, Chapter 17, is amended to add new"

AND

The Amendment was read	
By: Representative Gillespie	
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Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.