

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 85th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2005

A Bill

SENATE BILL 1085

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5 By: Senator Horn
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT CONCERNING HIGH-COST FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE
10 TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 AN ACT CONCERNING HIGH-COST FUNDING FOR
15 ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-17-404, concerning preservation and
21 promotion of universal service, is amended to add an additional subsection to
22 read as follows:

23 (h)(1) The Arkansas Public Service Commission shall develop rules
24 establishing high-cost funding for eligible telecommunications carriers. In
25 developing rules for high-cost funding, the commission shall use criteria
26 based on national averages.

27 (2)(A) The proposed rules shall be submitted to the General
28 Assembly within the first fifteen (15) days of the 2007 regular session of
29 the General Assembly. The proposed rules shall be filed with the Speaker of
30 the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

31 (B) However, if federal action will cause a significant
32 change in the AUSF, the commission shall adopt rules establishing high-cost
33 funding for eligible telecommunications carriers within sixty (60) days after
34 determining that a significant change will occur.
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