ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT
TO
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 352 By: Robinson of the Senate

and

Anthony of the House

(Corporation Commission - establishment of rates - codification - noncodification - effective date - emergency)

AUTHOR: Add the following House Coauthor: Deutschendorf

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the stricken title, enacting clause and entire bill and insert

"(Corporation Commission - telephone companies - codification - effective date - emergency)

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 139.301 of Title 17, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Corporation Commission shall require that all telephone companies make available digital telecommunications connections and services between the telecommunications network operated by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and all the public elementary, secondary and vocational-technical schools and libraries in this state, and between the telecommunications network and all the institutions and other constituent agencies of The Oklahoma

State System of Higher Education. The digital connections and services shall be sufficient for high speed transmission of video imaging and data.

B. The Commission shall establish rates for the connections and services described in subsection A of this section based upon incremental cost for providing the connections and services. The rates shall be determined without any differentiation being based on the distances between the individual school sites and the points of connection with the State Regents' telecommunications network. The rates shall not be set at a level that requires subsidization by revenues from monopoly services.

C. The Corporation Commission shall allow both telephone companies and other providers to furnish the required connections and services based on competitive bids.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 139.302 of Title 17, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Corporation Commission shall require that all telephone companies make available digital telecommunications connections and services between the telecommunications network operated by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and all state agency sites designated by the Director of State Finance. The digital connections and services shall be sufficient for high speed transmission of video imaging and data.

B. The Commission shall establish rates for the connections and services described in subsection A of this section based upon incremental cost for providing the connections and services. The rates shall be determined without any differentiation being based on the distances between the individual agency sites and the points of connection with the State Regents' telecommunications network. The rates shall not be set at a level that requires subsidization by revenues from monopoly services.

C. The Corporation Commission shall allow both telephone companies and other providers to furnish the required connections and services based on competitive bids.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 139.303 of Title 17, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Nothing in Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall affect the provisions of Section 137.1 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 1995.

SECTION 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval."

Passed the House of Representatives the 24th day of April, 1995.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1995.

President of the Senate