

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 709

By: Fisher, Shurden, Taylor and  
Easley of the Senate

and

Steidley, Voskuhl, Leist,  
Mitchell, Roberts, Smith  
(Bill), Adair, Hiatt and  
Johnson of the House

An Act relating to the Corporation Commission;  
requiring inclusion of certain telephone  
exchanges in wide area calling; defining term;  
providing deadline; stating intent to amend  
certain sections of the Oklahoma Constitution;  
providing for codification; providing for  
noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 139.601 of Title 17, unless  
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Corporation Commission shall take action as necessary to  
cause the expansion of Wide Area Calling Plans to include every  
local telephone exchange which is the sole unincorporated exchange  
seated in a county where all the other exchanges seated in said  
county are already included in a Wide Area Calling Plan.

B. For the purposes of this section, "seated" shall mean the  
place at which the central switch for the local exchange is sited.

C. The expansion shall be revenue neutral with respect to the  
affected local exchange companies.

D. The inclusion of the affected exchanges shall take effect on  
December 31, 1996.

SECTION 2. It is the intent of the Legislature that Section 1  
of this act be an amendment to, and alteration of, Sections 18  
through 34, inclusive, of Article IX of the Constitution of the  
State of Oklahoma, as authorized by Section 35 of Article IX of the  
Constitution of the State of Oklahoma.

SECTION 3. The provisions of Section 2 of this act shall not be  
codified in the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 4. 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 Senate the 28th day of May, 1996.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 29th day of May, 1996.

Speaker of the House of  
Representatives