

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2574

By: Cox, Gilbert, Tyler,
Sullivan (Leonard) and
Thomas of the House

and

Easley of the Senate

An Act relating to telephone service; directing the Corporation Commission to prohibit certain practice called slamming; prohibiting the use of contest entry forms for written approval; providing for codification; providing an effective date; 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 137.4 of Title 17, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Corporation Commission shall prohibit any local exchange company or interexchange carrier from changing a consumer's telephone service without first obtaining written approval, an act commonly known as "slamming". The signing of a contest entry form shall not constitute written approval to switch telephone service.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1998.

SECTION 3. 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 February, 1998.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1998.

President of the Senate