

ENGROSSED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 55

By: Hobson of the Senate

and

Mitchell of the House

A Concurrent Resolution urging the Corporation Commission to conduct appropriate studies necessary to implement expanded area service for telephone customers in Wayne, Byars, and Rosedale, Oklahoma; urging telecommunications providers in the area to improve the telecommunications infrastructure; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in today's age of advancing telecommunications, an effective but inexpensive telephone service is an essential need of our citizenry; and

WHEREAS, citizens rely on telephone service providers to assist them in meeting a variety of needs, ranging from personal communications to emergency assistance; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to promote economic development and improve the quality of life, it is necessary to reduce the costs associated with telephone services, especially long distance costs; and

WHEREAS, a number of local area calling zones have been expanded in Oklahoma in recent years, cutting long distance costs for consumers and facilitating better communications; however, Wayne, Byars, and Rosedale in McClain County, Oklahoma, have not had the opportunity to benefit from a local area calling zone; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation Commission is charged with regulating the telecommunications industry, ensuring that the state's consumers receive the best, most inexpensive service possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 48TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature urges the Corporation Commission to conduct the appropriate studies necessary to implement expanded area service for telephone customers in Wayne, Byars, and Rosedale, Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature urges all telecommunications providers in the Wayne, Byars, and Rosedale markets to do all they can to further improve the telecommunications infrastructure in these communities.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Corporation Commission, Southwestern Bell, Chickasaw Telecom Inc., Valor Telephone Company, the McClain County Commissioners, and the Mayors of Wayne, Byars, and Rosedale, Oklahoma.

Adopted by the Senate the 5th day of March, 2002.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2002.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives