Session of 2010

SENATE BILL No. 543

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT concerning telecommunications; relating to the authorization of certain programs; amending K.S.A. 66-1,190 and repealing the existing section.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 66-1,190 is hereby amended to read as follows: 66-1,190. (a) Every telecommunications public utility doing business in Kansas over which the commission has control shall publish and file with the commission copies of all schedules of rates, joint rates, tolls, charges, classifications and divisions of rates affecting Kansas traffic, either state or interstate, and shall furnish the commission copies of all rules and regulations and contracts between such telecommunications public utilities pertaining to any and all jurisdictional services to be rendered by such telecommunications public utilities. The commission shall have power to prescribe reasonable rules and regulations regarding the form and filing of all schedules, tariffs and classifications of all rates, joint rates, tolls and charges and all rules and regulations of such telecommunications public utilities, including such protection of confidentiality as requested by the telecommunications public utility, and the utility's suppliers and customers, for contracts entered into by them, and as the commission determines reasonable and appropriate.

(b) The commission shall require an incumbent local exchange carrier, including a carrier having elected price cap regulation pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2005, and amendments thereto, or a telecommunications carrier providing two-way flat rate calling service or optional metroplus calling area service, optional metroplus calling area service, or other community calling plans to exchanges within its certified service area, to provide such calling service to adjacent other exchange areas in conjunction with the incumbent local carrier serving such exchange areas upon a finding by the commission that such joint service is needed for reasonably sufficient service and is in the public interest.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 66-1,190 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.