Approved: <u>April 1, 2011</u>
Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 12:30 p.m. on March 21, 2011, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Matt Sterling, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Mary Torrence, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department Renae Hansen, Committee Assistant

Others attending:

Twenty Nine including the attached list.

Continued Action on:

SubSB72-Telecommunications

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend SubSB72 (Attachment 1) page 16. Seconded by Representative Don Hineman.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Forrest Knox, Tom Sloan, and Annie Kuether.

Matt Sterling helped to answer committee questions.

Motion to amend fails 8-10.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **SubSB72** (Attachment 2) page 18 of last weeks handout, line 8 but excluding line 12 down to lines 30 suggesting the carrier of last resort and exchanges not eligible for KUSF funds but still be eligible for lifeline support. Seconded by Representative Vern Swanson.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Mike Slattery, Nile Dillmore, and Tom Sloan.

Representative Mike Slattery asked to divide the question into 3 parts.

Discussion ensued on Part A by Representatives: Mike Burgess, and Tom Sloan.

Motion to amend Part A failed 4-14.

Discussion ensued on Part B by Representatives: Forrest Knox, Vern Swanson, Tom Sloan, Don Hineman, Mike Burgess, and Annie Kuether.

Clarification was made on the motion of part B the rural rate not go up at a rate higher than 50% of the rate of the Urban rate.

Motion to amend Part B failed 3-15.

Discussion ensued on Part C by Representatives: Mike Slattery, Greg Smith, Nile Dillmore, Tom Sloan, and Mike Burgess.

Clarification was made on the motion part C which is the final piece lines 24-32 on page 18 of (Attachment 2).

Motion to amend Part C passed 12-6.

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The minutes of the House Energy and Utilities Committee at 9:00 A.M. on March 21, 2011, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **SubSB72** (Attachment 2) page 18, lines 42 to top page 19 line 4. Seconded by Representative Vern Swanson.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Mike Slattery, Tom Sloan, and Forrest Knox.

Matt Sterling helped to answer committee questions.

Motion to amend was withdrawn.

Representative Phil Hermanson moved to amend **SubSB72** (Attachment 3) page 16, line 31 which price caps lifeline rates. Seconded by Representative Mike Slattery.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Gail Finney, Vern Swanson, Phil Hermanson, Tom Sloan, and Mike Burgess.

Motion to amend passed 10-9.

Representative Nile Dillmore moved to amend **SubSB72** (Attachment 4) page 13 which would direct KCC to provide an annual report regarding all providers. Seconded by Representative Annie Kuether.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Forrest Knox, Mike Burgess, and Nile Dillmore.

Motion to amend passed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **SubSB72** (Attachment 2) page 19 lines 17-24 to deal with who should best provide carrier of last resort. Seconded by Representative Stan Frownfelter.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Mike Burgess, Tom Sloan, Reynaldo Mesa, Nile Dillmore, and Don Hineman.

The intent of the motion was clarified to explain that it is technology neutral, to strike on line 22, broad band and an alternative.

Motion to amend failed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend SubSB72 (Attachment 2) page 19 lines 25- 29 to deal with what the electing carrier is still responsible for. Seconded by Representative Annie Kuether.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Mike Slattery, Nile Dillmore, Tom Sloan, and Forrest Knox.

Motion to amend failed.

Representative Tom Sloan moved to amend **SubSB72** (Attachment 2) page 25 lines 1-6 and page 26 lines pertaining to how to deal with the existing infrastructure. Seconded by Representative Mike Slattery.

Discussion ensued between Representatives: Mike Slattery, Forrest Knox, Nile Dillmore, and Tom Sloan.

Matt Sterling helped answer the committee questions.

Motion to amend failed.

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The minutes of the House Energy and Utilities Committee at 9:00 A.M. on March 21, 2011, in Room 785 of the Docking State Office Building.

The action on **SubSB72** was suspended.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2011upon lunch recess of the house.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:58 P.M.

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consumers and to ensure compliance with quality of service standards adopted for all local exchange carriers and telecommunications carriers in the state.

- (1) Any local exchange carrier with a majority of the carrier's local exchange access lines in the state price deregulated pursuant to subsection (a), on an exchange by exchange basis, may elect to no longer be regulated as a local exchange carrier and, not withstanding any other provisions, upon such election shall instead be regulated as a telecommunications carrier in each such exchange, except as provided in this subsection. With respect to those exchanges in which a local exchange carrier making has made such election, the carrier shall be referred to as an "electing carrier." [A local exchange carrier may make such election by providing the commission with at least 90 days' written notice of election. The notice of election shall include a verified statement that a majority of the carrier's local exchange occess lines are price deregulated. Such notification shall include information regarding the number of access lines the carrier serves in each of the carrier's exchanges. Within 45 days of receipt of such a notification, the commission shall review the information concerning the carrier's local exchange access lines and upon failure of the commission, within 45 days of receipt of the notification, to determine that a majority of such lines of the carrier are not price deregulated the commission shall designate the carrier as an electing carrier.]
- (2) In the exchanges a local exchange carrier has elected to be an electing carrier, the carrier shall not be subject to price regulation and shall be subject to nondiscriminatory regulation by the commission in the same manner as and subject to no more regulation than other telecommunications carriers operating in the state, except that the carrier shall remain subject to:
- (A) The reasonable resale of retail telecommunications services, as well as unbundling and interconnection obligations as required by K.S.A. 66-2003, and amendments thereto;
- (B) the requirements of subsection (c) concerning intrastate access charges;
- (C) the requirements of the KLSP, as required by K.S.A. 66-2006, and amendments thereto; and
 - (D) shall remain eligible to receive KUSF funding.
- (3) An electing carrier's rates for single residential or business local exchange access lines in its rural exchanges shall be no higher than the average of such rates for single residential or business local exchange access lines respectively in its urban exchanges.
- (4) An electing carrier may elect to be relieved of the requirement to serve as carrier of last resort, as required by K.S.A. 66-2009, and amendments thereto, by providing written notification to the commission of the specific urban exchanges for which the electing carrier is electing to be relieved of carrier of last resort obligations, in the electing carrier's urban exchanges.

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services in the residential and single-line business service basket and the miscellaneous services basket for local exchange carriers subject to price cap regulation shall be as follows:

- (A) Packages or bundles of services shall be price deregulated statewide, however the individual telecommunication service components of such packages or bundles shall remain available for purchase on an individual basis at prices subject to price cap regulation in any exchange in which the standards in subsection (q)(1)(B), (C) or (D) have not been met. If standards in subsection (q)(1)(B), (C) or (D) have been met, the individual telecommunication service components of such packages or bundles shall remain available for purchase on an individual basis and prices for packages or bundles shall not exceed the sum of the highest prices of the ala carte components of the package or bundle;
- (B) in any exchange in which there are 75,000 or more local exchange access lines served by all providers, rates for all telecommunications services shall be price deregulated;
- (C) in any exchange in which there are fewer than 75,000 local exchange access lines served by all providers, the commission shall price deregulate all business telecommunication services upon a demonstration by the requesting local telecommunications carrier that there are we five or more nonaffiliated telecommunications carriers or other entities, that are nonaffiliated with the local exchange carrier, providing local telecommunications service to business customers, regardless of whether the entity provides local service in conjunction with other services in that exchange area. One of such nonaffiliated carriers or entities shall be required to be a facilities-based carrier or entity and not more than one of such nonaffiliated carriers or entities shall be a provider of commercial mobile radio services in that exchange:
- (D) in any exchange in which there are fewer than 75,000 local exchange access lines served by all providers, the commission shall price deregulate all residential telecommunication services upon a demonstration by the requesting local telecommunications carrier that there are we five or more nonaffiliated telecommunications carriers or other entities, that are nonaffiliated with the local exchange carrier, providing local telecommunications service to residential customers, regardless of whether the entity provides local service in conjunction with other services in that exchange area One of such nonaffiliated carriers or entities shall be required to be a facilities-based carrier or entities of commercial mobile radio services in that exchange;
 - (E) rates for lifeline services shall remain subject to price cap regulation;
- (F) up to and continuing until July 1, 2008, rates for the initial residential local exchange access line and up to four business local exchange access lines at one location shall remain subject to price cap regulation. On and after July 1, 2008, the local exchange carrier shall be authorized to adjust such rates

[As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole]

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SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL No. 72

By Committee on Utilities

2-25 AN ACT concerning telecommunications; amending K.S.A. 50-6,103, and 1 66-1,187] and 66-2002 and K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,138, 79-32,117 and 2 66-2005 and repealing the existing sections. 3 4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 5 Section 1. K.S.A. 50-6,103 is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6 6.103. (a) As used in this section: 7 (1) "Express authorization" means an express, affirmative act by a 8 consumer clearly agreeing to a change in the consumer's telecommunications 9 carrier or local exchange carrier to another carrier. 10 "Supplemental telecommunication services" means any property or 11 services for which any charge or assessment appears on a billing statement 12 directed to a consumer by a local exchange carrier or telecommunications 13 carrier, including but not limited to personal 800 number services, calling card 14 plans, internet advertisement and website services, voice mail services, paging 15 services, psychic services, psychic memberships, dating services or 16 memberships, travel club memberships, internet access services and service 17 maintenance plans. "Supplemental telecommunication services" does not 18 include direct dial services to which a per use charge applies. 19 (3) "Telecommunications services" has the meaning provided by K.S.A. 20 66-1,187, and amendments thereto. 21 (b) No local exchange carrier or telecommunications carrier shall submit 22 or cause to be submitted to a local exchange carrier an order to change a 23 consumer's telecommunications carrier or local exchange carrier to another 24 carrier without having obtained the express authorization of the consumer 25 authorized to make the change. The local exchange carrier or 26 telecommunications carrier requesting the change shall have the burden of 27 proving the express authorization by a preponderance of the evidence. It shall 28 not be a violation of this subsection for a local exchange carrier to assign a 29 consumer to a telecommunications carrier for purposes of intralata services 30

pursuant to order of the state corporation commission.

(c) No supplier shall:

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(1) Engage in any activity, conduct or representation that has the capacity

to mislead, deceive or confuse the consumer, while soliciting or verifying a

change in a consumer's telecommunications carrier or local exchange carrier to

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- (h) The attorney general and the state corporation commission shall enter into a memorandum of understanding providing for the cooperation and sharing of information necessary to enforce this section against suppliers and to assist consumers under federal and state law.
- (i) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas consumer protection act.
- [Sec. 2. K.S.A. 66-1,187 is hereby amended to read as follows: 66-1,187. As used in this act:
- (a) "Broadband" means the bi-directional transmission of digital signals at rates equal to or greater than 1.5 megabits per second.
- (b) "CLASS services" means custom local area signaling services, which include automatic callback, automatic recall, calling number identification, selective call rejection, selective call acceptance, selective call forwarding, distinctive ringing and customer originated trace.
 - (c) "Commission" means the state corporation commission.
- (d) "Dialing parity" means that a person that is not an affiliate of a local exchange carrier is able to provide telecommunications services in such a manner that customers have the ability to route automatically, without the use of any access code, their telecommunications to the telecommunications carrier of the customer's designation from among two or more telecommunications carriers, including such local exchange carrier.
- (e) "Federal act" means the federal telecommunications act of 1996, P.L. 104-104 (amending the communications act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 151, et seg.)
- (f) "ISDN" means integrated services digital network which is a network and associated technology that provides simultaneous voice and data communications over a single communications channel.
 - (g) "LATA" has the meaning ascribed to it in the federal act.
- (h) "Local exchange carrier" means any telecommunications public utility or its successor providing switched telecommunications service within any local exchange service area, as approved by the commission on or before January 1, 1996. However, with respect to the Hill City exchange area, in which multiple carriers were certified by the commission prior to January 1, 1996, the commission's determination, subject to any court appeals, of which authorized carrier shall serve as the carrier of last resort will determine which carrier shall be deemed the local exchange carrier for that exchange.
- (i) "Number portability" has the meaning ascribed to it in the federal act.
- (j) "1+ intraLATA dialing parity" means the ability of a local exchange service customer to specify the telecommunications or local exchange carrier that will carry the intraLATA long distance messages when that

customer dials either "1" or "0" plus a 10-digit number.

(k) "Operating area" means:

- (1) In the case of a rural telephone company, operating area or service area means such company's study area or areas as approved by the federal communications commission;
- (2) in the case of a local exchange carrier, other than a rural telephone company, operating area or service area means such carrier's local exchange service area or areas as approved by the commission.

(l) "Rural telephone company" has the meaning ascribed to it in the federal act, excluding any local exchange carrier which together with all of its affiliates has 20,000 or more access lines in the state.

- (m) "Telecommunications carrier" means a corporation, company, individual, association of persons, their trustees, lessees or receivers that provides a telecommunications service, including, but not limited to, interexchange carriers and competitive access providers, but not including local exchange carriers certified before January 1, 1996, except for electing carriers.
- (n) "Telecommunications public utility" means any public utility, as defined in K.S.A. 66-104, and amendments thereto, which owns, controls, operates or manages any equipment, plant or generating machinery, or any part thereof, for the transmission of telephone messages, as defined in K.S.A. 66-104, and amendments thereto, or the provision of telecommunications services in or throughout any part of Kansas.
- (o) "Telecommunications service" means the provision of a service for the transmission of telephone messages, or two-way video or data messages.
- (p) "Universal service" means telecommunications services and facilities which include: single party, two-way voice grade calling; stored program controlled switching with vertical service capability; E911 capability; tone dialing; access to operator services; access to directory assistance; and equal access to long distance services; and access to broadband services by the provider or a contractor.
- (q) "Enhanced universal service" means telecommunications services, in addition to those included in universal service, which shall include: Signaling system seven capability, with CLASS service capability; basic and primary rate ISDN capability, or the technological equivalent or better; full-fiber interconnectivity, or the technological equivalent, between central offices; and broadband capable facilities to: All buildings of schools accredited pursuant to K.S.A. 72-1101 et seq., and amendments thereto; hospitals as defined in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto; public libraries; and state and local government facilities which request broadband services.]
- services.]

 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 66-2002 is hereby amended to read as follows: 66-2002.

43 The commission shall:

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- (a) Adopt a definition of "universal service" and "enhanced universal service," pursuant to subsections (p) and (q) of K.S.A. 66-1,187, and amendments thereto;
- (b) authorize any requesting telecommunications carrier to provide local exchange or exchange access service pursuant to subsection (a) of K.S.A. 66-2003 and amendments thereto;
- (c) on or before July 1, 1996, the commission shall initiate a proceeding to adopt guidelines to ensure that all telecommunications carriers and local exchange carriers preserve and enhance universal service, protect the public safety and welfare, ensure the continued quality of telecommunications services and safeguard the rights of consumers;
- (d) review, approve and ensure compliance with network infrastructure plans submitted by local exchange carriers pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2005, and amendments thereto;
- (e) review, approve and ensure compliance with regulatory plans submitted by local exchange carriers pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2005, and amendments thereto;
- (f) on or before January 1, 1997, establish, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2006, and amendments thereto, the Kansas lifeline service program, hereinafter referred to as the KLSP;
- (g) initiate and complete a proceeding by January 1, 1997, to establish a competitively neutral mechanism or mechanisms to fund: dual party relay services for Kansans who are speech or hearing impaired; telecommunications equipment for persons with visual impediments; and telecommunications equipment for persons with other special needs. This funding mechanism or mechanisms shall be implemented by March 1, 1997;
- (h) on or before January 1, 1997, establish the Kansas universal service fund pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2008, and amendments thereto; hereinafter referred to as the KUSF, and make various determinations relating to the implementation of such fund;
- (i) authorize all local exchange carriers to provide internet access as outlined in K.S.A. 66-2011, and amendments thereto; and report on the status of the implementation provisions to specified legislative committees;
- (j) review the federal act and adopt additional standards and guidelines as necessary for enforcing slamming restrictions;
- (k) commencing on June 1, 1997 and periodically thereafter, review and, to the extent necessary, modify the definition of universal service and enhanced universal service, and KUSF, taking into account advances in telecommunications and information technology and services;
- (l) on or before January 1, 1997, initiate and complete a proceeding to establish minimum quality of service standards which will be equally applicable to all local exchange carriers and telecommunications carriers in the state; any local exchange carrier or telecommunications carrier violating such

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standards, for each occurrence, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than \$3,000 \$300, nor more than \$3,000 \$15,000; violations of such standards shall be enforced in accordance with provisions of K.S.A. 66-138 and 66-177, and amendments thereto; and

(m) on January 1, 2000, prepare and submit a report to the legislature. The report shall include an analysis of the manner in which the regulatory framework has served to: Protect consumers; safeguard universal service; ensure that consumers have reaped the benefits of competition; maximize the use of market forces; and promote development of the telecommunications infrastructure throughout the state. The commission also shall recommend if and how the KUSF should be modified.

Sec.-2. 18.1 4. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 66-2005 is hereby amended to read as follows: 66-2005. (a) Each local exchange carrier shall file a network infrastructure plan with the commission on or after January 1, 1997, and prior to January 1, 1998. Each plan, as a part of universal service protection, shall include schedules, which shall be approved by the commission, for deployment of universal service capabilities by July 1, 1998, and the deployment of enhanced universal service capabilities by July 1, 2003, as defined pursuant to subsections (p) and (q) of K.S.A. 66-1,187, and amendments thereto, respectively. With respect to enhanced universal service, such schedules shall provide for deployment of ISDN, of its technological equivalent or better, or broadband facilities, only upon a firm customer order for such service, or for deployment of other enhanced universal services by a local exchange carrier. After receipt of such an order and upon completion of a deployment plan designed to meet the firm order or otherwise provide for the deployment of enhanced universal service, a local exchange carrier shall notify the commission. The commission shall approve the plan unless the commission determines that the proposed deployment plan is unnecessary, inappropriate, or not cost effective, or would create an unreasonable or excessive demand on the KUSF. The commission shall take action within 90 days. If the commission fails to take action within 90 days, the deployment plan shall be deemed approved. This approval process shall continue until July 1, 2000. Each plan shall demonstrate the capability of the local exchange carrier to comply on an ongoing basis with quality of service standards to be adopted by the commission no later than January 1, 1997.

(b) In order to protect universal service, facilitate the transition to competitive markets and stimulate the construction of an advanced telecommunications infrastructure, each local exchange carrier shall file a regulatory reform plan at the same time as it files the network infrastructure plan required in subsection (a). As part of its regulatory reform plan, a local exchange carrier may elect traditional rate of return regulation or price cap regulation. Carriers that elect price cap regulation shall be exempt from rate base, rate of return and earnings regulation and shall not be subject to the

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provisions of K.S.A. 66-136 and 66-127, and amendments thereto, except as otherwise provided in such sections. However, the commission may resume such regulation upon finding, after a hearing, that a carrier that is subject to price cap regulation has: violated minimum quality of service standards pursuant to subsection (1) of K.S.A. 66-2002, and amendments thereto; been given reasonable notice and an opportunity to correct the violation; and failed to do so. Regulatory reform plans also shall include:

- (1) A commitment to provide existing and newly ordered point-to-point broadband services to: Any hospital as defined in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto; all school buildings accredited pursuant to K.S.A. 72-1101 et seq., and amendments thereto; any public library; or other state and local government facilities at discounted prices close to, but not below, long-run incremental cost; and
- (2) a commitment to provide basic rate ISDN service, the technological equivalent of better, at prices which are uniform throughout the carrier's service area. Local exchange carriers shall not be required to allow retail customers purchasing the foregoing discounted services to resell those services to other categories of customers. Telecommunications carriers may purchase basic rate ISDN services, or the technological equivalent, for resale in accordance with K.S.A. 66-2003, and amendments thereto. The commission may reduce prices charged for services outlined in provisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, if the commitments of the local exchange carrier set forth in those provisions are not being kept.
- (c) Subject to the commission's approval, all local exchange carriers shall reduce intrastate access charges to interstate levels as provided herein. Rates for intrastate switched access, and the imputed access portion of toll, shall be reduced over a three-year period with the objective of equalizing interstate and intrastate rates in a revenue neutral, specific and predictable manner. The commission is authorized to rebalance local residential and business service rates to offset the intrastate access and toll charge reductions. Any remaining portion of the reduction in access and toll charges not recovered through local residential and business service rates shall be paid out from the KUSF pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2008, and amendments thereto. Each rural telephone company shall adjust its intrastate switched access rates on March 1 of each odd-numbered year to match its interstate switched access rates, subject to the following:
- (1) Any reduction of a rural telephone company's cost recovery due to reduction of its interstate access revenue shall be recovered from the KUSF;
- (2) any portion of rural telephone company reductions in intrastate switched access rates which would result in an increase in KUSF recovery in a single year which exceeds .75% of intrastate retail revenues used in determining sums which may be recovered from Kansas telecommunications customers pursuant to subsection (a) of K.S.A. 66-2008, and amendments

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basket, the switched access services basket or the residential and single-line business basket for reduced regulation. The commission shall act upon a petition for reduced regulation within 21 days, subject to an extension period of an additional 30 days, and upon a good cause showing of the commission in the extension order, or within such shorter time as the commission shall approve. The commission shall issue a final order within the 21-day period or within a 51-day period if an extension has been issued. Following an order granting reduced regulation of an individual service or service category, the commission shall act on any request for price reductions within seven days subject to a 30-day extension. The commission shall act on other requests for price cap adjustments, adjustments within price cap plans and on new service offerings within 21 days subject to a 30-day extension. Such a change will be presumed lawful unless it is determined the prices are below the price floor or that the price cap for a category, if any, within the entire basket has been exceeded.

- (q) (1) Beginning July 1, 2006, price regulation of telecommunications services in the residential and single-line business service basket and the miscellaneous services basket for local exchange carriers subject to price cap regulation shall be as follows:
- (A) Packages or bundles of services shall be price deregulated statewide, however the individual telecommunication service components of such packages or bundles shall remain available for purchase on an individual basis at prices subject to price cap regulation in any exchange in which the standards in subsection (q)(1)(B), (C) or (D) have not been met. If standards in subsection (q)(1)(B), (C) or (D) have been met, the individual telecommunication service components of such packages or bundles shall remain available for purchase on an individual basis and prices for packages or bundles shall not exceed the sum of the highest prices of the ala carte components of the package or bundle;
- (B) in any exchange in which there are 75,000 or more local exchange access lines served by all providers, rates for all telecommunications services shall be price deregulated;
- (C) in any exchange in which there are fewer than 75,000 local exchange access lines served by all providers, the commission shall price deregulate all business telecommunication services upon a demonstration by the requesting local telecommunications carrier that there are two or more nonaffiliated telecommunications carriers or other entities, that are nonaffiliated with the local exchange carrier, providing local telecommunications service to business customers, regardless of whether the entity provides local service in conjunction with other services in that exchange area. One of such nonarifiliated carriers or entitles shall be required to be a facilities based carrier or entity, and not mote than one of such honalfillated cardiers or entities shall be a provider of commercial mobile raidly services in that exchange

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 - (E) rates for lifeline services shall remain subject to price cap regulation;
- (F) up to and continuing until July 1, 2008, rates for the initial residential local exchange access line and up to four business local exchange access lines at one location shall remain subject to price cap regulation. On and after July 1, 2008, the local exchange carrier shall be authorized to adjust such rates without commission approval by not more than the percentage increase in the consumer price index for all urban consumers, as officially reported by the bureau of labor statistics of the United States department of labor, or its successor index, in any one year period and such rates shall not be adjusted below the price floor established in subsection (k). Such rates shall not be affected by purchase of one or more of the following: Call management services, intraLATA long distance service or interLATA long distance service; and
- (G) local exchange carriers shall offer a uniform price throughout each such exchange for services subject to price deregulation, under this subsection, including packages or bundles of services, except as provided in subsection (1) or as otherwise approved by the commission.
 - (2) For the purposes of this subsection: which is a single for
- (A) Any entity providing ubiquitous voice and broadband service shall be considered as a local telecommunications service provider regardless of whether such entity is subject to regulation by the commission;
- (B) a provider of local telecommunications service that requires provides ubiquitous broadband through the use of a third party, unaffiliated broadband network or dial-up internet network for the confidence may be considered a local telecommunications service provider;
- (C) telecommunications carriers offering only prepaid telecommunications service shall not be considered entities providing local telecommunications service.
- (3) If the services of a local exchange carrier are classified as price deregulated under this subsection, the carrier may thereafter adjust its rates for such price deregulated services upward or downward as it determines appropriate in its competitive environment, with tariffs for such services

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previously offered telecommunications services, must receive a certificate of convenience based upon a demonstration of technical, managerial and financial viability and the ability to meet quality of service standards established by the commission. Any telecommunications carrier or other entity seeking such certificate shall file a statement, which shall be subject to the commission's approval, specifying with particularity the areas in which it will offer service, the manner in which it will provide the service in such areas and whether it will serve both business customers and residential customers in such areas. Any structurally separate affiliate of a local exchange carrier that provides telecommunications services shall be subject to the same regulatory obligations and oversight as a telecommunications carrier, as long as the local exchange carrier's affiliate obtains access to any services or facilities from its affiliated local exchange carrier on the same terms and conditions as the local exchange carrier makes those services and facilities available to other commission shall The telecommunications carriers. telecommunications carriers to prevent fraud and other practices harmful to consumers and to ensure compliance with quality of service standards adopted for all local exchange carriers and telecommunications carriers in the state.

(1) Any local exchange carrier with a majority of the carrier's local exchange access lines in the state price deregulated pursuant to subsection (q), and that directly or indirectly provides ubiquitous broadband access, may elect to no longer be regulated as a local exchange carrier and, not withstanding any other provisions, upon such election shall instead be regulated as a telecommunications carrier, except as provided in this subsection. A local exchange carrier making such election shall be referred to as an "electing carrier." [A local exchange carrier may make such election by providing the commission with at least 90 days' written notice of election. The notice of election shall include a verified statement that a majority at least 40% of the carrier's local exchange access lines have been lost to competitors we price deregulated. Such notification shall include information regarding the number of access lines the carrier serves in each of the carrier's exchanges and the number of access lines the carrier has lost to competitors. Within 45 days of receipt of such a notification, the commission shall review the information concerning the carrier's local exchange access lines and upon failure of the commission, within 45 days of receipt of the notification, to determine that a majority of such lines of the carrier are not price deregulated the commission shall designate the carrier as an electing carrier.]

(2) An electing carrier shall not be subject to price regulation and shall be subject to nondiscriminatory regulation by the commission in the same manner as and subject to no more regulation than other telecommunications carriers operating in the state, except that the carrier shall remain subject to:

(A) The reasonable resale of retail telecommunications services, as well

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1	as unbundling and interconnection obligations as required by K.S.A. 66-2003,
2	and amendments thereto;
3	(B) the requirements of subsection (c) concerning intrastate access
4	charges;
5	(C) the requirements of the KLSP, as required by K.S.A. 66-2006, and
6	amendments thereto; and
7	(D) shall remain eligible to receive KUSF funding;
8	(E) the requirements of subsection (q)(I)(G) concerning requiring the
9	carrier to offer a uniform price throughout each exchange;
10	(F) the requirements of 47 U.S.C. § 271 as in effect on the effective date
11	of this act; and (G) provide ubiquitous broadband access, either directly or indirectly.
12	(3) An electing carrier's rates for single residential or business local
13	exchange access lines in its rural exchanges shall be no higher than the
14	average of such rates for single residential or business local exchange access
15	lines respectively in its urban exchanges. An electing carner's rates for such
16	access lines shall not increase more than 50% of the rate increases to packages
17	or bundles of services, as defined in subsection (q)(8)(A).
18	(4) An electing carrier may elect to be relieved of the requirement to
19 20	serve as carrier of last resort, as required by K.S.A. 66-2009, and amendments
21	thereto, by providing written notification to the commission of the specific
22	urban exchanges for which the electing carrier is electing to be relieved of
23	carrier of last resort obligations, in the electing carrier's mount exchanges.
24	(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, an
25	electing carrier that notifies the commission that the electing carrier chooses
26	to be relieved of carrier of last resort obligations in specific urban exchanges
27	or any local exchange carrier that does not have a carrier of last resort
28	obligation in a specific exchange shall not be eligible for KUSF funding for
29	carrier of last resort obligations, as required by K.S.A. 66-2009, and
30	amendments thereto, or high cost support in those specific exchanges but
31	would remain eligible for KUSF support for Kansas lifeline service program
32	purposes.
33	(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (x), an electing
34	carrier shall offer single residential local exchange access lines and
35	broadband services directly or by contract in the electing carrier's exchanges.
36	(7) For the purposes of this subsection:
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41	commission to provide commercial mobile radio survieus. 2000000 "Paral exchange" means any exchange in which there are fewer

(B) (A) "Rural exchange" means any exchange in which there are fewer than 6,000 local exchange access lines served by the electric carrier and sall.

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facilities based odmiters all providers; and 1 "urban exchange" means any exchange in which there are 2 (C) (B) 75,000 or more local exchange access lines served by the electing carnier and 3 all facilities based comiens all providers. 4 (y) Notwithstanding the provisions of this act, a telecommunications 5 carrier is entitled to interconnection with an electing carrier to transmit and 6 route voice traffic between both the telecommunications carrier and the 7 electing carrier regardless of the technology by which the voice traffic is 8 originated by and terminated to a consumer. The commission shall afford such 9 telecommunications carrier all substantive and procedural rights available to 10 such carrier regarding interconnection pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 251 and 252 11 as in effect on the effective date of this act. 12 (z) (1). The commission shall determine the number of viable wireless 13 providers in each exchange. Viable shall include, but not be limited to. 14 customers served as a percentage of the total potential customers, staff 15 employed by wireless providers in Kansas and the facilities located in Kansas. 16 (2) The commission shall develop a procedure by which a local local 17 exchange carrier may be relieved of the carrier's carrier of last resort 18 responsibilities. Any carrier may then bid to serve as carrier of last resont in 19 those exchanges relinquished by the local exchange carrier and be eligible for 20 KUSF support. If no other carrier submits a bid, the local exchange carrier 21 shall continue to serve as the camier of last resort with equivalent quality of 22 service for voice and broadband delivered through an alternative technology 23 approved by the commission. 24 (3) A local exchange carrier electing to be regulated as a 25 telecommunications carrier shall negotiate with public safety answering points 26 serving the affected exchanges to upgrade the PSAPs capability to receive next 27 generation communication signals. Next generation communications signals 28 shall include, but not be limited to, the ability to receive text and video. 29 (d) An electing carrier electing to be relieved of the carrier's carrier of last 30 resort obligations shall provide to the commission documentation that persons 31 with special communications needs, including, but not limited to, visual and 32 hearing impediments; within the affected exchanges have been provided 33 communications equipment that is functionally equivalent and of equal quality. 34 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,117 is hereby amended to read as 35 follows: 79-32,117. (a) The Kansas adjusted gross income of an individual 36

(b) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income:

with the modifications specified in this section.

(i) Interest income less any related expenses directly incurred in the purchase of state or political subdivision obligations, to the extent that the same is not included in federal adjusted gross income, on obligations of any state or political subdivision thereof, but to the extent that interest income on

means such individual's federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year,

- obligations of this state or a political subdivision thereof issued prior to January 1, 1988, is specifically exempt from income tax under the laws of this state authorizing the issuance of such obligations, it shall be excluded from computation of Kansas adjusted gross income whether or not included in federal adjusted gross income. Interest income on obligations of this state or a political subdivision thereof issued after December 31, 1987, shall be excluded from computation of Kansas adjusted gross income whether or not included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (ii) Taxes on or measured by income or fees or payments in lieu of income taxes imposed by this state or any other taxing jurisdiction to the extent deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and not credited against federal income tax. This paragraph shall not apply to taxes imposed under the provisions of K.S.A. 79-1107 or 79-1108, and amendments thereto, for privilege tax year 1995, and all such years thereafter.
 - (iii) The federal net operating loss deduction.
- (iv) Federal income tax refunds received by the taxpayer if the deduction of the taxes being refunded resulted in a tax benefit for Kansas income tax purposes during a prior taxable year. Such refunds shall be included in income in the year actually received regardless of the method of accounting used by the taxpayer. For purposes hereof, a tax benefit shall be deemed to have resulted if the amount of the tax had been deducted in determining income subject to a Kansas income tax for a prior year regardless of the rate of taxation applied in such prior year to the Kansas taxable income, but only that portion of the refund shall be included as bears the same proportion to the total refund received as the federal taxes deducted in the year to which such refund is attributable bears to the total federal income taxes paid for such year. For purposes of the foregoing sentence, federal taxes shall be considered to have been deducted only to the extent such deduction does not reduce Kansas taxable income below zero.
- (v) The amount of any depreciation deduction or business expense deduction claimed on the taxpayer's federal income tax return for any capital expenditure in making any building or facility accessible to the handicapped, for which expenditure the taxpayer claimed the credit allowed by K.S.A. 79-32,177, and amendments thereto.
- (vi) Any amount of designated employee contributions picked up by an employer pursuant to K.S.A. 12-5005, 20-2603, 74-4919 and 74-4965, and amendments to such sections.
- (vii) The amount of any charitable contribution made to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,196, and amendments thereto.
- (viii) The amount of any costs incurred for improvements to a swine facility, claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to

K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,204 and amendments thereto.

- (ix) The amount of any ad valorem taxes and assessments paid and the amount of any costs incurred for habitat management or construction and maintenance of improvements on real property, claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,203 and amendments thereto.
- (x) Amounts received as nonqualified withdrawals, as defined by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 75-643, and amendments thereto, if, at the time of contribution to a family postsecondary education savings account, such amounts were subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to paragraph (xv) of subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, or if such amounts are not already included in the federal adjusted gross income.
- (xi) The amount of any contribution made to the same extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-50,154, and amendments thereto.
- (xii) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2004, amounts received as withdrawals not in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-50,204, and amendments thereto, if, at the time of contribution to an individual development account, such amounts were subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to paragraph (xiii) of subsection (c), or if such amounts are not already included in the federal adjusted gross income.
- (xiii) The amount of any expenditures claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,217 through 79-32,220 or 79-32,222, and amendments thereto.
- (xiv) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,221, and amendments thereto.
- (xv) The amount of any expenditures claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,223 through 79-32,226, 79-32,228 through 79-32,231, 79-32,233 through 79-32,236, 79-32,238 through 79-32,241, 79-32,245 through 79-32,248 or 79-32,251 through 79-32,254, and amendments thereto.
- (xvi) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,237, 79-32,249, 79-32,250 or 79-32,255, and amendments thereto.
- (xvii) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,256, and amendments thereto.
 - (xviii) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2006, the

amount of any ad valorem or property taxes and assessments paid to a state other than Kansas or local government located in a state other than Kansas by a taxpayer who resides in a state other than Kansas, when the law of such state does not allow a resident of Kansas who earns income in such other state to claim a deduction for ad valorem or property taxes or assessments paid to a political subdivision of the state of Kansas in determining taxable income for income tax purposes in such other state, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are claimed as an itemized deduction for federal income tax purposes.

- (c) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income:
- (i) Interest or dividend income on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States and its possessions less any related expenses directly incurred in the purchase of such obligations or securities, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States.
- (ii) Any amounts received which are included in federal adjusted gross income but which are specifically exempt from Kansas income taxation under the laws of the state of Kansas.
- (iii) The portion of any gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of property having a higher adjusted basis for Kansas income tax purposes than for federal income tax purposes on the date such property was sold or disposed of in a transaction in which gain or loss was recognized for purposes of federal income tax that does not exceed such difference in basis, but if a gain is considered a long-term capital gain for federal income tax purposes, the modification shall be limited to that portion of such gain which is included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (iv) The amount necessary to prevent the taxation under this act of any annuity or other amount of income or gain which was properly included in income or gain and was taxed under the laws of this state for a taxable year prior to the effective date of this act, as amended, to the taxpayer, or to a decedent by reason of whose death the taxpayer acquired the right to receive the income or gain, or to a trust or estate from which the taxpayer received the income or gain.
- (v) The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of taxes on or measured by income or fees or payments in lieu of income taxes imposed by this state, or any taxing jurisdiction, to the extent included in gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- (vi) Accumulation distributions received by a taxpayer as a beneficiary of a trust to the extent that the same are included in federal adjusted gross income.
 - (vii) Amounts received as annuities under the federal civil service retirement system from the civil service retirement and disability fund and

other amounts received as retirement benefits in whatever form which were earned for being employed by the federal government or for service in the armed forces of the United States.

- (viii) Amounts received by retired railroad employees as a supplemental annuity under the provisions of 45 U.S.C. 228b (a) and 228c (a)(1) et seq.
- (ix) Amounts received by retired employees of a city and by retired employees of any board of such city as retirement allowances pursuant to K.S.A. 13-14,106, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to any charter ordinance exempting a city from the provisions of K.S.A. 13-14,106, and amendments thereto.
- (x) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1976, the amount of the federal tentative jobs tax credit disallowance under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 280 C. For taxable years ending after December 31, 1978, the amount of the targeted jobs tax credit and work incentive credit disallowances under 26 U.S.C. 280 C.
- (xi) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, dividend income on stock issued by Kansas Venture Capital, Inc.
- (xii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989, amounts received by retired employees of a board of public utilities as pension and retirement benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 13-1246, 13-1246a and 13-1249 and amendments thereto.
- (xiii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts contributed to and the amount of income earned on contributions deposited to an individual development account under K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-50,201, et seq., and amendments thereto.
- (xiv) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1996, that portion of any income of a bank organized under the laws of this state or any other state, a national banking association organized under the laws of the United States, an association organized under the savings and loan code of this state or any other state, or a federal savings association organized under the laws of the United States, for which an election as an S corporation under subchapter S of the federal internal revenue code is in effect, which accrues to the taxpayer who is a stockholder of such corporation and which is not distributed to the stockholders as dividends of the corporation.
- (xv) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006, amounts not exceeding \$3,000, or \$6,000 for a married couple filing a joint return, for each designated beneficiary which are contributed to a family postsecondary education savings account established under the Kansas postsecondary education savings program or a qualified tuition program established and maintained by another state or agency or instrumentality thereof pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, for the purpose of paying the qualified higher education expenses of a designated beneficiary at an institution of postsecondary education. The terms and phrases used in this

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paragraph shall have the meaning respectively ascribed thereto by the provisions of K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 75-643, and amendments thereto, and the provisions of such section are hereby incorporated by reference for all purposes thereof.

(xvi) For the tax year beginning after December 31, 2004, an amount not exceeding \$500; for the tax year beginning after December 31, 2005, an amount not exceeding \$600; for the tax year beginning after December 31, 2006, an amount not exceeding \$700; for the tax year beginning after December 31, 2007, an amount not exceeding \$800; for the tax year beginning December 31, 2008, an amount not exceeding \$900; and for all taxable years commencing after December 31, 2009, an amount not exceeding \$1,000 of the premium costs for qualified long-term care insurance contracts, as defined by subsection (b) of section 7702B of public law 104-191.

(xvii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts received by taxpayers who are or were members of the armed forces of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard, as a recruitment, sign up or retention bonus received by such taxpayer as an incentive to join, enlist or remain in the armed services of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard, and amounts received for repayment of educational or student loans incurred by or obligated to such taxpayer and received by such taxpayer as a result of such taxpayer's service in the armed forces of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard.

(xviii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts received by taxpayers who are eligible members of the Kansas army and air national guard as a reimbursement pursuant to K.S.A. 48-281, and amendments thereto, and amounts received for death benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 48-282, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to section 1 or section 2 of chapter 207 of the 2005 session laws of Kansas, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such death benefits are included in federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer.

(xix) For the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006, amounts received as benefits under the federal social security act which are included in federal adjusted gross income of a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income of \$50,000 or less, whether such taxpayer's filing status is single, head of household, married filing separate or married filing jointly; and for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2007, amounts received as benefits under the federal social security act which are included in federal adjusted gross income of a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income of \$75,000 or less, whether such taxpayer's filing status is single, head of household, married filing separate or married filing jointly.

(xx) Amounts received by retired employees of Washburn university as retirement and pension benefits under the university's retirement plan.

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- (xxi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2010, the amount included in federal taxable income attributable to capital gains on the sale or exchange of capital assets which would otherwise be included gross income of a taxpayer. For the purposes of this subsection, "capital assets" means an exchange sold by a local exchange carrier or an electing carrier to a Kansas rural telephone company.
- (d) There shall be added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income the taxpayer's share, as beneficiary of an estate or trust, of the Kansas fiduciary adjustment determined under K.S.A. 79-32,135, and amendments thereto
- (e) The amount of modifications required to be made under this section by a partner which relates to items of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit of a partnership shall be determined under K.S.A. 79-32,131, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such items affect federal adjusted gross income of the partner.
- Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,138 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-32,138. (a) Kansas taxable income of a corporation taxable under this act shall be the corporation's federal taxable income for the taxable year with the modifications specified in this section.
- (b) There shall be added to federal taxable income: (i) The same modifications as are set forth in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, with respect to resident individuals.
- (ii) The amount of all depreciation deductions claimed for any property upon which the deduction allowed by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,221, 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,237, 79-32,249, 79-32,250, 79-32,255 or 79-32,256, and amendments thereto, is claimed.
- (iii) The amount of any charitable contribution deduction claimed for any contribution or gift to or for the use of any racially segregated educational institution.
- (c) There shall be subtracted from federal taxable income: (i) The same modifications as are set forth in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, with respect to resident individuals.
- (ii) The federal income tax liability for any taxable year commencing prior to December 31, 1971, for which a Kansas return was filed after reduction for all credits thereon, except credits for payments on estimates of federal income tax, credits for gasoline and lubricating oil tax, and for foreign tax credits if, on the Kansas income tax return for such prior year, the federal income tax deduction was computed on the basis of the federal income tax paid in such prior year, rather than as accrued. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the deduction for federal income tax liability for any year shall not exceed that portion of the total federal income tax liability for such year which bears the same ratio to the total federal income tax liability for such year as the Kansas taxable income, as computed before any deductions for federal income taxes

and after application of subsections (d) and (e) of this section as existing for such year, bears to the federal taxable income for the same year.

- (iii) An amount for the amortization deduction allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-32,221, 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,237, 79-32,249, 79-32,250, 79-32,255 or 79-32,256, and amendments thereto.
- (iv) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1987, the amount included in federal taxable income pursuant to the provisions of section 78 of the internal revenue code.
- (v) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1987, 80% of dividends from corporations incorporated outside of the United States or the District of Columbia which are included in federal taxable income.
- (vi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2010, the amount included in federal taxable income attributable to capital gains on the sale or exchange of capital assets which would otherwise be included gross income of a taxpayer. For the purposes of this subsection, "capital assets" means an exchange sold by a local exchange carrier or an electing carrier to a Kansas rural telephone company.
- (d) If any corporation derives all of its income from sources within Kansas in any taxable year commencing after December 31, 1979, its Kansas taxable income shall be the sum resulting after application of subsections (a) through (c) hereof. Otherwise, such corporation's Kansas taxable income in any such taxable year, after excluding any refunds of federal income tax and before the deduction of federal income taxes provided by subsection (c)(ii) shall be allocated as provided in K.S.A. 79-3271 to K.S.A. 79-3293, inclusive, and amendments thereto, plus any refund of federal income tax as determined under paragraph (iv) of subsection (b) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, and minus the deduction for federal income taxes as provided by subsection (c)(ii) shall be such corporation's Kansas taxable income.
- (e) A corporation may make an election with respect to its first taxable year commencing after December 31, 1982, whereby no addition modifications as provided for in subsection (b)(ii) of K.S.A. 79-32,138 and subtraction modifications as provided for in subsection (c)(iii) of K.S.A. 79-32,138, as those subsections existed prior to their amendment by this act, shall be required to be made for such taxable year.
- Sec. 3. 8 K.S.A. 66-2002,50-6,103 [and 66-1,187] and K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 66-2005, 79-32,138 and 79-32,117 are hereby repealed.
- Sec.-4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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consumers and to ensure compliance with quality of service standards adopted for all local exchange carriers and telecommunications carriers in the state.

- (x) (1) Any local exchange carrier with a majority of the carrier's local exchange access lines in the state price deregulated pursuant to subsection (q) may elect to no longer be regulated as a local exchange carrier and, not withstanding any other provisions, upon such election shall instead be regulated as a telecommunications carrier, except as provided in this subsection. A local exchange carrier making such election shall be referred to as an "electing carrier." [A local exchange carrier may make such election by providing the commission with at least 90 days' written notice of election. The notice of election shall include a verified statement that a majority of the carrier's local exchange access lines are price deregulated. Such notification shall include information regarding the number of access lines the carrier serves in each of the carrier's exchanges. Within 45 days of receipt of such a notification, the commission shall review the information concerning the carrier's local exchange access lines and upon failure of the commission, within 45 days of receipt of the notification, to determine that a majority of such lines of the carrier are not price deregulated the commission shall designate the carrier as an electing carrier.]
- (2) An electing carrier shall not be subject to price regulation and shall be subject to nondiscriminatory regulation by the commission in the same manner as and subject to no more regulation than other telecommunications carriers operating in the state, except that the carrier shall remain subject to:
- (A) The reasonable resale of retail telecommunications services, as well as unbundling and interconnection obligations as required by K.S.A. 66-2003, and amendments thereto;
- (B) the requirements of subsection (c) concerning intrastate access charges;
- (C) the requirements of the KLSP, as required by K.S.A. 66-2006, and amendments thereto;
 - (D) price cap regulation for lifeline services, and
 - **D** E shall remain eligible to receive KUSF funding.
- (3) An electing carrier's rates for single residential or business local exchange access lines in its rural exchanges shall be no higher than the average of such rates for single residential or business local exchange access lines respectively in its urban exchanges.
- (4) An electing carrier may elect to be relieved of the requirement to serve as carrier of last resort, as required by K.S.A. 66-2009, and amendments thereto, by providing written notification to the commission of the specific urban exchanges for which the electing carrier is electing to be relieved of carrier of last resort obligations, in the electing carrier's urban exchanges.
- (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, an electing carrier that notifies the commission that the electing carrier chooses

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deregulated, shall record the rates of each service which has been price deregulated in each exchange.

- (7) Prior to January 1, 2007, the commission shall determine the weighted, statewide average rate of nonwireless basic local telecommunications service as of July 1, 2006. Prior to January 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, the commission shall determine the weighted, average rate of nonwireless basic local telecommunications services in exchanges that have been price deregulated pursuant to subsection (q)(1)(B), (C) or (D). The commission shall report its findings on or before February 1, 2007, and annually thereafter to the governor, the legislature and each member of the standing committees of the house of representatives and the senate which are assigned telecommunications issues. The commission shall also provide in such annual report any additional information it deems useful in determining he impact of price deregulation on consumers and the competitive environment, including, but not limited to, the rates recorded under paragraph (6) of this subsection, on the current rates for services provided by all telecommunications carriers or other telecommunications service providers regardless of the technology used to provide service in price deregulated exchanges, changes in service offerings provided by all telecommunications carriers or other telecommunications service providers regardless of the technology used and available in price deregulated exchanges and the change in the number of competitors in price deregulated exchanges including, but not limited to, facilities based carriers, commercial mobile radio service or broadband based service providers. If the commission finds that the weighted. average rate of nonwireless basic local telecommunications service, in exchanges that have been price deregulated pursuant to subsection (q)(1)(B) (C) or (D) in any one year period is greater than the weighted, statewide average rate of nonwireless basic local telecommunications service as of July 4, 2008, multiplied by one plus the percentage increase in the consumer price ndex for goods and services for the study periods, or the commission believes that changes in state law are warranted due to the status of competition, the commission shall recommend to the governor, the legislature and each member of the standing committees of the house of representatives and the senate which are assigned telecommunications issues such changes in state law is the commission deems appropriate and the commission shall also send a report of such findings to each member of the legislature.
 - (8) For the purposes of this subsection:
- (A) "Packages or bundles of services" means the offering of a local telecommunications service with one or more of the following, subscribed together, as one service option offered at one price, one or more call management services, intraLATA long distance service, interLATA long distance service, internet access, video services or wireless services. Packages or bundles of services shall not include only a single residential local exchange

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