

HOUSE BILL No. 5963

September 11, 1990, Introduced by Reps. Randall, Alley, Hoekman, Allen, Kulchitsky, Sparks, DeMars, Miller, Trim, Perry Bullard and Dunaskiss and referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled as amended

"An act to declare telephone lines and telephone companies within this state to be common carriers; to regulate the telephone business; to confer certain powers, duties, and responsibilities on the public service commission; to provide for the consolidation of telephone lines and telephone companies; to prohibit certain uses of telephone lines and telephone equipment; to regulate persons using telephone lines and telephone equipment; to prescribe a penalty for the violation of this act; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts on specific dates,"

being section 484.101 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of
2 1913, being section 484.101 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1. (1) All persons, corporations, and associations
5 ~~operating telephone lines or exchanges~~ doing a telephone

1 business within the state ~~of Michigan,~~ are ~~hereby~~ declared to
2 be common carriers. ~~, and all~~

3 (2) ALL laws, so far as applicable, now in force or that may
4 be ~~hereafter~~ enacted ~~,~~ regulating the transportation of per-
5 sons or property by railroad companies within the state ~~,~~ shall
6 apply with equal force and effect to telephone companies.

7 (3) AS USED IN THIS ACT, "TELEPHONE BUSINESS" INCLUDES, BUT
8 IS NOT LIMITED TO, OPERATING TELEPHONE LINES OR EXCHANGES OR PRO-
9 VIDING CELLULAR RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICES.