HOUSE BILL No. 5318

November 6, 1991, Introduced by Reps. Dobronski, Varga, Olshove, Martin, Leland, Wallace and Stallworth and referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

A bill to prohibit the use of state owned or leased telephones or lines to access audiotext services; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Audiotext services" means various electronic communica-
- 3 tions products and services that enable users to send or receive
- 4 information by interacting with a voice processing system via a
- 5 telephone connection. Audiotext services include, but are not
- 6 limited to, all 900 prefix telephone services for information
- 7 retrieval, messaging, and conferencing. Audiotext services do
- 8 not include electronic communications for the purpose of
- 9 conducting financial transactions.

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- (b) "Department" means the department of management and
 budget.
- 3 (c) "Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership,
- 4 association, governmental unit, or any other legal entity.
- 5 Sec. 2. A person shall not use a state owned or leased
- 6 telephone or line to access an audiotext service.
- 7 Sec. 3. The department shall ensure where technologically
- 8 possible that each state owned or leased telephone or line is
- 9 blocked from making a connection with any audiotext service.
- 10 Sec. 4. A person who violates section 2 is responsible for
- 11 a civil infraction and may be liable for a civil fine of not more
- 12 than \$1,000.00.