SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4187

A bill to amend 1991 PA 179, entitled "Michigan telecommunications act,"

(MCL 484.2101 to 484.2701) by adding section 312c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 312c. (1) Before connecting any call, the operator
- 2 service provider that owns or operates the payphone or contracts
- 3 to provide toll service for the payphone provider shall at no
- 4 charge disclose, audibly and distinctly, how the consumer may
- 5 receive a rate quote.
- 6 (2) To receive a rate quote, the consumer shall have the
- 7 option of either pressing a sequence of not more than 2 keys or
- 8 staying on the line for assistance.
- 9 (3) The consumer shall not be assessed any charge for the use
- 10 of the payphone or toll service if the consumer terminates the
- 11 call after receiving the rate quote.

- 1 (4) This section does not apply to calls made by a consumer
- 2 utilizing his or her toll provider of choice by dialing the
- 3 provider's access service method.
- 4 (5) As used in this section, "consumer" means a person
- 5 initiating a telephone call using an operator service. In
- 6 collect calling arrangements handled by an operator service
- 7 provider, the term consumer includes the party on the terminating
- 8 end of the call. For bill-to-third party calling arrangements
- 9 handled by an operator service provider, the term consumer
- 10 includes the party to be billed for the call if that party is
- 11 contacted by the operator service provider to secure billing
- 12 approval.