

FORTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION, 2000

February 15, 2000

Mr. Speaker:

Your **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**, to whom
has been referred

**SENATE FLOOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL 123**

has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. On page 8, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following
new section:

"Section 5. A new section of the New Mexico
Telecommunications Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] TELEPHONE SERVICE--SERIOUSLY ILL
INDIVIDUALS.-- Basic local exchange telephone service shall not be
discontinued to any residence where a seriously or chronically ill
person is residing if the person responsible for the telephone
service charges does not have the financial resources to pay the
charges and if a licensed physician, physician assistant,
osteopathic physician, osteopathic physician's assistant or
certified nurse practitioner certifies that discontinuance of
service might endanger that person's health or life and the
certificate is delivered to a manager or officer of the provider of
the local exchange service at least two days prior to the due date
of a billing for telephone service. The commission shall provide
by rule the procedure necessary to carry out this section."".

2. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

Max Coll, Chairman

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Not Adopted _____
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The roll call vote was 17 For 0 Against
Yes: 17
Excused: None
Absent: None

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