Bill as Introduced

HB 611 – AS INTRODUCED

1999 SESSION

99-0826
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HOUSE BILL ***611***

AN ACT relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

SPONSORS: Rep. MacGillivray, Hills 21; Rep. Norelli, Rock 31

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes the public utilities commission to adopt performance standards for the provision of noncompetitive services by telephone utilities.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine

AN ACT relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 Purpose. The general court finds that in cases where a competitive supplier of telephone services is also the only supplier of non-competitive services, that its non-competitive customers must not receive inferior service to its competitive customers. To this end, performance standards should be set up for such suppliers for the provision of all services for which there are few or no competitive suppliers.

2 New Subdivision; Performance Standards for Telephone Utilities. Amend RSA 374 by inserting after section 58 the following new subdivision:

Performance Standards for Telephone Utilities

374:59 Performance Standards for Telephone Utilities.

I. The commission is authorized to promote and adopt performance standards for telephone utilities that are also providers of competitive telephone services for performance of installation of service, connection of service, porting of telephone numbers to competitive suppliers, and other services for which there are few or no competitive suppliers.

II. The commission is authorized to impose administrative fines not to exceed $100 per day per line or line requested for failure to comply with any performance standards adopted by the commission pursuant to paragraph I.

3 Study by Public Utilities Commission; Sanctions Against Telephone Utilities. The public utilities commission shall study options for sanctions in addition to those provided in RSA 374:59, II, as inserted by this act, against a telephone utility that fails to provide adequate noncompetitive services, such as those described in RSA 374:59, I, as inserted by this act. The options that the commission shall study shall include terminating part or all of a telephone utility's permission to provide competitive telephone services, or terminating all or part of its franchise. The commission shall report its findings to the telecommunications oversight committee on or before October 1, 1999.

4 Effective Date.

I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2000.

II. The remainder of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Speakers

SIGN UP SHEET

To Register Opinion If Not Speaking

Bill # HB 611 Date March 2, 1999

Committee Science, Technology and Energy

**** Please Print All Information ****

Name	Address	Phone	Representing	(check one) Pro	Con
Jodi Grimbles	c/o Brianco Prof. Assc	Concord 225-7170	MCI	✓	

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 611

BILL TITLE: relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

DATE: March 2, 1999

LOB ROOM: 304 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 10:05 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 11:05 a.m.

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. J. Bradley, Guay, Rosen, Ham, Howard, Thomas, D. White, Maxfield, Tufts, Arnold, Eaton, Varrell, Grant, Norelli, Lynde, Pitts, Kaen, Gilmore, Bergeron, Densmore and Moriarty.

Bill Sponsors: Rep. MacGillivray, Hills 21; Rep. Norelli, Rock 31

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. MacGillivray (Sponsor) supports. Explained bill – not a request of Public Utilities Commission or result of particular incident or situation.

Dom D'Ambruoso (New Hampshire Telephone Association) opposes. RSA 374:1 and RSA 274:6 – Rules and standards already exist. Doesn't think it applies to independent telephone companies.

***Bonnie White and Alan** (Bell Atlantic) opposes. Alan – Specific language regulated already line 10-13, standards exist. Existing regulations – no distinction "competitive" and "non-competitive" or "north" "south," etc.

Kate Bailey (Public Utilities Commission) Some delays – no position on bill. But language – Bell Atlantic is not a competitive supplier.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph J. Rosen
Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

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TESTIMONY

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Rep. MacGillivray – Sponsor – explains bill – not a request of PUC or result of particular incident or situation

Dan D'Ambruzzo – NH Tel Assn – opposes – RSA 374:1 and RSA 274:6 – Rules & Standards already exist – don't think it applies to Independent Tel. Cos,

* Bonnie White & Alan – Bell Atlantic – Opposes – Alan – specific language – regulated already line 10–13 – standards exist – Existing regs: no distinction "competitive" "non competitive" or "north" "south", etc.

Linda Bailey – PUC – some delays – no position on bill, but language – Bell Atlantic not competitive

singular.

Sub-Committee Actions

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON HB 611

BILL TITLE: relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

DATE: March 16, 1999

Subcommittee Members: Reps. Thomas, Pitts, Eaton, Grant, White, Densmore, Maxfield, Moriarty, Norelli and Lynde

Comments and Recommendations:

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Re-Refer, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, (Re-Refer,) Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Bradley

Seconded by Rep. Maxfield

Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. John H. Thomas
Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON HB [redacted] 611

BILL TITLE: establishing a committee to study allowing Internet service providers to restrict unsolicited electronic mail.

DATE: March 16, 1999

Subcommittee Members: Reps. Thomas, Pitts, Eaton, Grant, White, Densmore, Maxfield, Moriarty, Norelli and Lynde

Comments and Recommendations:

Amendments:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Re-Refer, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, (Re-Refer), Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Bradley

Seconded by Rep. Maxfield

Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Rep.
Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

Robert F. Thomas

Testimony

December 21, 1998

BELL ATLANTIC

Service Results Comparison

Year	Service Held Orders over 30 Days	% Service Appointed Within 3 Days	Trouble Report Rate Reports per Month per 100 Lines	% Out of Service Cleared in 24 Hours	Avg. Hours Per Repair	% Repair Commitment Met
1992	2	83.0	1.18	78.5	13.6	92.7
1993	2	87.5	1.16	76.5	14.5	86.4
1994	5	87.0	1.30	71.4	16.1	77.1
1995	68	86.8	1.40	67.2	16.8	77.3
1996	156	94.3 (6)	1.44	63.0	17.6	81.6
1997	79	93.9	1.27	76.6	14.9	83.2
1998 (1)	222	86.3	1.60	69.0	18.2	83.3

NOTES:

1. 1998 results are through November. The January ice storm and 20 days of rain in June contributed to poor results. NHPUC requested improvement action in 4th quarter and Bell Atlantic has committed to adding 40 installation/maintenance techs to the current level of 330 by 1st quarter, 1999.
2. Bell Atlantic/NYNEX merger was completed August 14, 1997.
3. 1997 demonstrates a positive turn-around in Bell Atlantic service.
4. Staff has requested that all 1998 reporting include a comparison to 1997 for the same period.
5. 1997 "Good" results provide yard-stick for 1998 post-merger comparison.
6. Starting in 1996 customers requesting more than 3 days were eliminated from count.

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Duo market area code auto-dialer

By Bruce Mohl, Globe Staff, 02/10/99

Two inventors showed up at yesterday's state Department of Telecommunications and Energy hearing saying they have come up with a way to eliminate the dialing confusion arising from area-code overload.

Steven Schulman and Michael Yanoff, of Codeless Technologies in Needham, say they have a patent pending on technology that would allow consumers to dial a number without needing to remember the area code.

The two businessmen described their service as caller ID in reverse. Instead of identifying the number of the person calling in, the new technology would identify and dial the area code of a person being called.

Schulman said the caller would have to dial the person's area code and number once, but on every subsequent call only the seven-digit number would be needed. The software would automatically dial the area code.

Schulman and Yanoff said their technology could be attached directly to a customer's phone, but they thought it would be more appropriate to have phone companies sell it as a special calling feature, much like caller ID or call waiting, for perhaps $3.50 a month. They said they have contacted several phone companies and hoped to build some awareness of their product with yesterday's announcement.

BRUCE MOHL

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Bell Atlantic - New Hampshire
Monthly Service Quality Report

		Objective	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Cum.
Installation of Service															
1 Percent Installation orders appointed w/in 3 days															
	1997		95.3	93.9	94.7	93.8	94.2	94.9	94.2	94.5	93.4	92.6	92.6	92.7	93.9
	1998	90%	93.3	91.2	87.1	91.1	90.2	86.3	81.4	83.5	81.4	80.3	83.0		86.3
2 Percent met installation appointments Company Reasons															
	1997		97.4	98.0	97.4	98.7	98	97.6	97.6	97.9	97.9	98.3	98	97.9	97.9
	1998	90%	97.4	97.8	98.1	98.2	97.2	96.9	96.9	97	96.1	97.5	97.5		97.3
3 Total Held Orders on Hand - Month end	1997		156.0	174	127	126	112	144	132	162	182	215	190	134	154.5
	1998	track	167	168	122	85	145	338	283	352	275	182	257		215.8
4 Held Orders over 30 days															
	1997		11	7	12	3	3	13	6	1	3	6	5	9	6.6
	1998	6/mo.	4	6	8	0	3	30	28	64	43	14	22		20.2
5 Number of installation orders															
	1997		29501	33219	34304	43995	37447	38310	36194	37064	38801	40892	38956	43110	37633
	1998	track	36416	37741	42937	42921	38771	41813	43149	44175	42609	43154	37867		41050
5a Access Line Inward Movement															
	1997		13426	10613	14499	14658	15198	17627	15690	16007	18559	21955	13340		15597
	1998		12721	12304	14787	14506	14681	18122	16699	16217	18943	17023	15293		15572
Company Accessibility															
6 Toll & Assist average answer time (seconds)															
	1997		2.3	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.1	2.5	1.6	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.5		2.4
% Toll % Assist answer time within 10 seconds	1997		94.0	92.6	92.6	93	94.9	93	96.9	92.6	91.6	93	93		93.4
	1998		2.2	2.7	2.9	1.6	2.8	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.4	2.5	2.2		2.6
% Toll % Assist answer time within 10 seconds	1998	90%	94.5	92.1	91.1	96.9	91.6	89.6	90.1	91.1	93.5	93	94.5		92.5
7 Director Assistance average answer time (seconds)															
	1997		3.7	3.4	3	2.7	3.1	3.3	2.7	3.4	2.9	2.8	2.9		3.1
% Directory Assistance answer within 10 sec.	1997		87.8	89.3	91.3	92.8	90.8	89.8	92.8	89.3	91.8	92.3	91.8		90.9
	1998		3.3	3.1	2.9	2.8	3.2	3.5	3.1	3.2	2.7	3.3	3.4		3.1
% Directory Assistance answer within 10 sec.	1998	85%	89.8	90.8	91.8	92.3	90.3	88.8	90.8	90.3	92.8	89.8	89.3		90.6
8 Repair Service average answer time (seconds)															
	1997		na	13	12	53	12	24	18	10	10	7	10	9	16.2
	1998		18.1	17.4	18.7	10.8	19.3	39.9	37.7	32.7	23.0	12.2	4.2		21.3
% Repair Service answer within 20 sec.	1998	85%	74.3	76.5	73.7	81.8	67.9	35	55.3	52.4	86.2	82.6	94.3		69.1
9 Residence Provisioning - % Met Expectations															
	1997		90	91	91	90	89	89	92	93	91	95	95	91	91.4
10 Business Provisioning - % Met Expectations															
	1997		85	88	88	90	89	89	84	87	85	88	86	87	87.2
9a General Consumer Provisioning -Top Three (Outstanding, Very Good & Satisfied response)	1998	track	100	96	97.9	96	98	98	100	98	100	94.1	96.2		97.7
10a General Business Provisioning - Top Three (Outstanding, Very Good & Satisfied response)	1998	track	92	91.8	100	92	90	94	90.9	90	86.3	96.1	88		91.9
Network Call Completion															
11 Peak Period Central Office Performance (ipo Percent Dial Tone Speed)	see attachment 1														

Customer Trouble Reports

12 Total Report Rate including subsequents	1997		1.13	0.99	1.08	1.21	1.6	1.32	1.85	1.32	1.32	1.13	1.3	0.98	1.3
	1998	2.0	2.44	1.26	1.04	1.11	1.42	2.21	2.08	1.81	1.89	1.4	1.03		1.6
12a See Attachment 2 for list of exchanges >2.5															
13 Percent Out of Service Cleared within 24 hours															
East District	1998	90%	69.91	73	82.5	85.34	74.37	62.29	71.13	61.83	60.84	62.12	68.1		70.1
North District	1998		65.67	73.42	82.95	79.12	74.78	62.9	61.49	51.74	63.88	58.31	68.24		67.5
South District	1998		69.04	75.11	85.92	86.28	74.44	63.75	67.22	59.41	55.72	56.45	68.89		69.3
total	1998		68.21	73.84	83.79	83.58	74.53	62.98	66.61	57.66	60.15	58.96	68.41		69.0
	1997		71.45	75.66	75.65	81.59	80.75	77.24	70.66	79.18	72.31	82.74	73.91	77.49	76.6
14 # of Out of Service Trbls Cleared within 24 hours															
East District			1894	904	557	464	1144	2681	1646	1782	1809	1733	915		1393.5
North District			1203	445	251	326	575	1819	1367	1773	1418	1111	591		989.0
South District			1134	712	371	311	771	2173	1220	1322	1759	1530	718		1092.8
total	1998	track	4031	2061	1179	1101	2490	6673	4233	4877	4986	4374	2224		3475.4
total	1997		2072	2017	1744	1493	1509	1811	3487	1558	2377	1144	2238	1802	1937.7
15 Average Completion Time for Repairs (hours)	1997		16.3	15.5	14.7	13.5	13.6	14.7	16	14.2	16.8	13.4	15.8	14.6	14.9
	1998	track	18.5	17	14.1	13.8	17	16.9	18.8	21.5	20.2	22	18.5		18.2
16 Percent met repair appointments															
East District	1998		87.58	83.17	91.33	92.15	84.58	84.06	82.84	76.77	78.56	88.04	86.74		85.1
North District	1998		81.66	86.24	90.39	88.19	83.91	79.26	73.13	64.15	81.01	81.19	85.21		81.3
South District	1998		84.54	85.77	90.75	91.32	84.41	85.8	82.44	76.6	71.18	83.01	84.39		83.7
total	1998	90%	84.59	85.06	90.82	90.55	84.30	83.04	79.47	72.51	76.92	84.08	85.45		83.3
total	1997		81.7	80.73	83.55	85.52	83.87	80.69	78.53	83.83	79.68	87.79	86.45	85.59	83.2
17 Total Access Lines	1997		694765	698046	701075	703186	705894	709340	711415	714100	716794	722737	727619	739360	712027.6
	1998	track	732373	735684	739351	741711	744422	746411	748196	749410	749992	755753	758315		745601.6

Note: Jan. 1998 results significantly impacted
by snow and ice storm

Objective levels ordered in DR 96-220, NYNEX - Bell Atlantic merger.
Merger effective 6/14/97. 1997 results used as a pre-merger comparision.
However, the company strongly objects to a number of the objective levels and is continuing to negotiate with staff.

June 1998 - Record rainfall

Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 611

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DATE: March 31, 1999

LOB ROOM: 304

Amendments:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Re-Refer, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Pitts

Seconded by Rep. Lynde

Vote: 16-4 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Re-Refer, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: No

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ralph J. Rosen, Clerk

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Thomas

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

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Seconded by Rep. Lynde

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

16-4

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Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: NO per Jeb Bradley AMB

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ralph J. Rosen, Clerk

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY 1999 SESSION

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Public Hearings _____ Executive Session 31 March 1999

COMMITTEE REPORT: Re-refer

	YEAS	NAYS
Bradley, Jeb E, Chairman	✓	
Guay, Lawrence J, V Chairman	✓	
Rosen, Ralph J, Clerk		✓
Ham, Bonnie D		
Howard, Godfrey G	✓	
Thomas, John H	✓	
White, Donald B	✓	
Maxfield, Roy D		✓
Tufts, J Arthur		✓
Arnold, Thomas I, Jr	✓	
Eaton, Stephanie	✓	
Varrell, Thomas A		✓
Grant, Kenneth R	✓	
Sullivan, P Judith	✓	
Norelli, Terie T	✓	
Lynde, Harold V	✓	
Pitts, Jacqueline A	✓	
Kaen, Naida L	✓	
Gilmore, Gary R		
Bergeron, Lucien G	✓	
Densmore, Jessica E	✓	
Moriarty, Mary M	✓	
TOTAL VOTE	16	4

Appeared in Favor | Appeared in Opposition

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 611

BILL TITLE:

DATE: 21 Oct.

LOB ROOM: 304

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Pitts

Amendments: None

Sponsor: Rep. _____ OLS Document #: _____ Adopted/Failed

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Re-Refer, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Pitts

Seconded by Rep. MacGill

Vote: 18-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Re-Refer, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Pitts

Seconded by Rep. MacGill

Vote: 18-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: Yes.

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ralph J. Rosen, Clerk

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY 1999 SESSION

Bill # HB - 611

Public Hearings _____ Executive Session 21 Oct

COMMITTEE REPORT: ITL

	YEAS	NAYS
Bradley, Jeb E, Chairman	✓	
Guay, Lawrence J, V Chairman	✓	
Rosen, Ralph J, Clerk	✓	
Ham, Bonnie D		
Howard, Godfrey G	✓	
Thomas, John H	✓	
White, Donald B	✓	
Maxfield, Roy D	✓	
Tufts, J Arthur	✓	
Arnold, Thomas I, Jr	✓	
Eaton, Stephanie	✓	
Varrell, Thomas A		
Grant, Kenneth R	✓	
MacGillivray, Jeffrey C	✓	
Norelli, Terie T	✓	
Lynde, Harold V	✓	
Pitts, Jacqueline A	✓	
Kaen, Naida L	✓	
Gilmore, Gary R	✓	
Bergeron, Lucien G	✓	
Densmore, Jessica E		
Moriarty, Mary M	✓	
TOTAL VOTE	18-0	

Appeared in Favor	Appeared in Opposition

Committee Report

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: **Science, Technology and Energy**

BILL NUMBER: **HB 611**

TITLE: relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

DATE: March 31, 1999 CONSENT CALENDAR YES ☐ NO ☒

☐ OUGHT TO PASS

☐ OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

☐ INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

☒ RE-REFER

☐ REFER TO COMMITTEE FOR INTERIM STUDY
(Available only in second year of biennium.)

STATEMENT OF INTENT
(Include Committee Vote)

Even though the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has authority and the ability to enforce its authority through fines, the majority of the committee felt there are issues that exist between the PUC and providers as to how information is collected and collated.

Vote 16-4.

Rep. John H. Thomas
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
cc: Committee Bill file

USE ANOTHER REPORT FOR MINORITY REPORT

Science, Technology and Energy

HB 611, relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services. RE-REFER

Rep. John H. Thomas for **Science, Technology and Energy:** Even though the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has authority and the ability to enforce its authority through fines, the majority of the committee felt there are issues that exist between the PUC and providers as to how information is collected and collated. Vote 16-4.

HB611 Rerefer 16-4

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Vote 16-4

John D Thomas

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: **Science, Technology and Energy**

BILL NUMBER: **HB 611**

TITLE: relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

DATE: October 21, 1999 CONSENT CALENDAR YES ☒ NO ☐

☐ OUGHT TO PASS

☐ OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

☒ INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

☐ RE-REFER

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(Include Committee Vote)

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Vote 18-0.

Rep. Jacqueline A. Pitts
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
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CONSENT CALENDAR

Science, Technology and Energy

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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BILL NUMBER: **HB 611**

TITLE: relative to performance standards for telephone companies providing noncompetitive services.

DATE: October 21, 1999 CONSENT CALENDAR YES ☒ NO ☐

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☐ OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

☒ INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

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Vote 18-0.

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