

Introduced: 3/4/68  
Referred: Commerce &  
Judiciary

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 385

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the regulation of public  
7 utilities."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 42.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 42.30.025. PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION IN RATES OR

11 SERVICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. (a) No public utility may, as to rates  
12 or services, make or grant an unreasonable preference or advantage to  
13 a person or subject a person to an unreasonable prejudice or dis-  
14 advantage. No public utility may establish or maintain an unreasonable  
15 difference as to rates or services either as between localities or as  
16 between classes of service. The commission may determine questions of  
17 fact arising under this section.

18 (b) The commission shall make reasonable rules and regulations to

19 (1) prevent discrimination in the rates or services of public  
20 utilities;

21 (2) prevent the giving, paying or receiving of a rebate or  
22 bonus, directly or indirectly, or misleading or deceiving the public  
23 in any manner as to rates charged for the services of public utilities.

24 (c) No public utility may offer or pay any compensation or con-  
25 sideration or furnish equipment to secure the installation or adoption  
26 of the use of its utility service unless it offers the compensation,  
27 consideration or equipment to all persons within the same classifica-  
28 tion using or applying for its public utility service and unless it  
29 files a schedule with the commission of the compensation or

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consideration or equipment to be furnished and this schedule is approved. In considering the reasonableness of a schedule filed by a public utility, the commission shall consider, among other things, evidence of consideration or compensation paid by a competitor, regulated or nonregulated, of the public utility to secure the installation or adoption of the use of the competitor's service.