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Telecommunications and Labor & Commerce

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 701

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to regulation of telecommunication
7 services."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 42.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 42.05.145. TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATION POLICY. A utility
11 that provides local exchange or interexchange telecommunication ser-
12 vice in the state affects the public interest. Regulation of these
13 utilities shall, consistent with this chapter, seek to

14 (1) make available to all people in the state an efficient
15 telecommunications system at the most economic and reasonable cost;

16 (2) allow the development of competitive markets for tele-
17 communications services if the competition does not unreasonably
18 interfere with the efficient provision of the services to the public;

19 (3) lessen regulation in whole or in part when the
20 telecommunications services are subject to effective competition;

21 (4) establish and maintain reasonable charges for telecom-
22 munications services without unreasonable discrimination or unfair or
23 destructive competitive practices;

24 (5) ensure that regulated charges do not include costs of
25 unregulated activities;

26 (6) encourage the establishment and maintenance of a strong
27 telecommunications industry.