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Telecommunications and Labor & Commerce

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY BOUCHER

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HOUSE BILL NO. 23

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to reduced rates and discounted  
7 service for low-income telecommunication customers."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 42.05.301 is amended by adding a new subsection to  
10 read:

11 (b) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, a public utility may  
12 initiate a discounted service or a reduced rate for essential telecom-  
13 munication services for the benefit of its low-income customers. The  
14 commission may not require a utility to provide a discounted service  
15 or reduced rate under this subsection. The commission may not require  
16 a telephone utility to incur uncompensated costs or administrative  
17 burdens that are not recoverable through an approved tariff if the  
18 utility provides a discounted service or reduced rate.

19 \* Sec. 2. AS 42.05.391 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

20 (e) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, a public utility may  
21 initiate a discounted service or a reduced rate for essential telecom-  
22 munication services for the benefit of its low-income customers. The  
23 commission may not require a utility to provide a discounted service  
24 or reduced rate under this subsection. The commission may not require  
25 a telephone utility to incur uncompensated costs or administrative  
26 burdens that are not recoverable through an approved tariff if the  
27 utility provides a discounted service or reduced rate.