

HOUSE BILL No. 4385

March 9, 1999, Introduced by Reps. Sanborn, Hale, Julian, Voorhees, Patterson, Gilbert, DeRossett, Jelinek, Bishop, Kowall, Wojno, Gosselin, Bisbee, Faunce, Vear, Howell, Caul, Woronchak, DeHart, Kuipers, Bovin, Koetje, Bradstreet, Scott, Hart, Richner, Birkholz, Garcia, Hager, Toy, Jansen, Reeves, DeWeese, Thomas, LaSata, LaForge, Ehardt, Scranton and Raczkowski and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

A bill to amend 1991 PA 179, entitled
"Michigan telecommunications act,"
by amending section 505 (MCL 484.2505), as added by 1998 PA 260.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 505. (1) An end user of a telecommunications provider
2 shall not be switched to another provider without the authoriza-
3 tion of the end user.

4 (2) The commission shall issue orders to ensure that an end
5 user of a telecommunications provider is not switched to another
6 provider without the end user's oral authorization, written con-
7 firmation, confirmation through an independent third party, or
8 other verification procedures subject to commission approval,
9 confirming the end user's intent to make a switch and that the
10 end user has approved the specific details of the switch. The
11 order issued under this section shall require that all providers

1 comply with the regulations established by the federal
2 communications commission on verification procedures for the
3 switching of an end user's telecommunications provider.

4 (3) As used in this section and section 506:

5 (a) "End user" means ~~the~~ A RESIDENTIAL OR BUSINESS retail
6 subscriber of a telecommunications service.

7 (b) "Telecommunications provider" or "provider" means a
8 person that provides 1 or more telecommunications services for
9 compensation. Telecommunications provider does not include a
10 provider of commercial mobile service as defined in section
11 332(d)(1) or part I of title III of the communications act of
12 1934, chapter 652, 96 Stat. 1096, 47 U.S.C. 332.