

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 804  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 26, 2015; March 3, 2015,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources and  
 1-4 Economic Development; March 25, 2015, reported favorably by the  
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0; March 25, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

|      | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-8  | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-9  | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-10 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-11 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-12 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-13 |     |     | X      |     |
| 1-14 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-15 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-16 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-17 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-18 | X   |     |        |     |

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the period of eligibility for support from the  
 1-22 universal service plan for certain providers.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 56.023(p), Utilities Code, is amended to  
 1-25 read as follows:

1-26 (p) If an incumbent local exchange company or cooperative is  
 1-27 ineligible for support under a plan established under Section  
 1-28 56.021(1) for services in an exchange, a plan established under  
 1-29 Section 56.021(1) may not provide support to any other  
 1-30 telecommunications providers for services in that exchange, except  
 1-31 that an eligible telecommunications provider that is receiving  
 1-32 support under Section 56.021(1)(A) in that exchange shall continue  
 1-33 to receive such support until the later of December 31, 2017, or the  
 1-34 second anniversary of ~~[for a 24-month period following]~~ the date  
 1-35 the incumbent local exchange provider or cooperative ceases  
 1-36 receiving support in that exchange. The support received by the  
 1-37 eligible telecommunications provider during that ~~[the 24-month]~~  
 1-38 period shall be at the same monthly per line support level in effect  
 1-39 for that exchange as of the date the incumbent local exchange  
 1-40 provider or cooperative ceases receiving funding in that exchange.

1-41 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-42 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-43 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-44 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-45 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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