

HOUSE BILL No. 4858

May 22, 1991, Introduced by Reps. Randall, Jonker, McBryde, Dalman and Pitoniak and referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913, entitled as amended

"An act to declare telephone lines and telephone companies within this state to be common carriers; to regulate the telephone business; to confer certain powers, duties, and responsibilities on the public service commission; to provide for the consolidation of telephone lines and telephone companies; to prohibit certain uses of telephone lines and telephone equipment; to regulate persons using telephone lines and telephone equipment; to prescribe a penalty for the violation of this act; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts on specific dates,"

being section 484.101 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of
2 1913, being section 484.101 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1. (1) All persons, corporations, and associations
5 ~~operating telephone lines or exchanges~~ doing a telephone

1 business within the state ~~of Michigan,~~ are ~~hereby~~ declared to
2 be common carriers. ~~—, and all—~~

3 (2) ALL laws, so far as applicable, now in force or that may
4 be ~~hereafter~~ enacted ~~—~~ regulating the transportation of per-
5 sons or property by railroad companies within the state ~~—~~ shall
6 apply with equal force and effect to telephone companies.

7 (3) AS USED IN THIS ACT, "TELEPHONE BUSINESS" INCLUDES, BUT
8 IS NOT LIMITED TO, OPERATING TELEPHONE LINES OR EXCHANGES OR PRO-
9 VIDING CELLULAR RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICES.