

HOUSE No. 2897

By Mr. Galvin of Boston, petition of William F. Galvin that the Department of Public Utilities be prohibited from approving rate increases for local telephone calls from coin-operated telephones. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Three.

AN ACT FREEZING THE BASIC RATE FOR LOCAL TELEPHONE CALLS FROM A PAY PHONE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 159 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
2 after section 19 the following section:—

3 *Section 19A.* The department shall not approve any schedule
4 filed by a common carrier pursuant to section nineteen, if said
5 schedule increases in any manner the rate charged for a local call
6 made on a coin-operated telephone that is in effect on January
7 first, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

