

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 26, 1983.

The Committee on Government Regulations, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 366) of William J. Flynn, Jr., for legislation to provide for reduced telephone rates for disabled veterans and other disabled and handicapped persons, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 537) of Marie E. Howe that the Department of Public Utilities be directed to hold public hearings prior to granting permission to telephone companies to issue new telephone directories, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 720) of Theodore J. Aleixo, Jr., for legislation to prohibit the Department of Public Utilities from authorizing any increase in telephone rates for calls requesting the time, temperature or weather information, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 727) of Henry R. Grenier relative to the size of type in telephone directories, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1076) of Barbara E. Gray and George Bachrach for legislation to regulate rates charged by telephone companies to non-profit organizations, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1466) of Jack Wigon and Angelo M. Scaccia for legislation to require telephone companies serving the residents of the Commonwealth to enlarge the type size of the printing used in telephone directories, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2898) of William F. Galvin for legislation to require telephone directory assistance operations to check both the yellow and white pages of telephone directories when complying with customer requests, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4195) of Bruce E. Wetherbee that telephone companies be required to give notice by certified mail prior to the termination of telephone service and relative to the payment of security deposits for such service, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4519) of Joseph N. Hermann for legislation to require certain telephone poles to have safety shields and reflectors attached to all guy wires supporting such poles, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5502) of Lawrence R. Alexander and

another relative to certain telephone services in the town of Marblehead, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House No. 6365) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

WILLIAM F. GALVIN.

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

Ordered, That the committee on Government regulations be authorized to sit during recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of the subject of the current House documents numbered: — 366, legislation providing for reduced telephone rates for disabled veterans and other disabled and handicapped persons; 537, legislation relative to the publication of new directories by telephone companies; 720, legislation prohibiting the Department of Public Utilities from authorizing a rate charge for time, temperature, and weather information; 727, legislation relative to the size of type in telephone directories; 1076, legislation relative to charging residential telephone rates to private non-profit corporations; 1466, legislation to require telephone companies serving the residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to enlarge the type size of the printing used in telephone directories; 2898, legislation relative to telephone directory assistance; 4195, legislation regulating the termination of telephone service and the payment of security deposits therefore; 4519, legislation relative to the safety of pedestrians from certain guy wires on traveled ways; 5502, legislation relative to certain telephone services in the town of Marblehead.

Said committee shall be provided with quarters in the State House or elsewhere, may hold public hearings, may travel within the Commonwealth, and may expend for clerical and other services and expenses such sums as may be appropriated therefor. Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of such legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect by filing the same with the clerk of the House on or before the first Wednesday of December, nineteen hundred and eighty-three.

