

[Similar Matter Filed During Past Session —
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SENATE No. 469

By Mr. Doris, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 469) of Francis D. Doris for legislation to prohibit any telephone company from charging a rental fee or charge for equipment. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

**AN ACT PROHIBITING ANY TELEPHONE COMPANY FROM CHARGING
A RENTAL FEE OR CHARGE FOR EQUIPMENT.**

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

- 1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the con-
- 2 trary, no telephone company operating within the confines of
- 3 the commonwealth shall charge a rental fee or similar charge
- 4 for a telephone or telephone equipment purchased or solely
- 5 owned by any person.

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