

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 80

Accompanying the sixth recommendation of the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (House, No. 74). Government Regulations.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO PROTECT LOW INCOME ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS FROM LOSS OF ESSENTIAL TELEPHONE SERVICE IN THE COMMONWEALTH FOR REFUSAL TO PAY SO-CALLED ACCESS CHARGES ON RESIDENTIAL TELEPHONES.

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

1 The joint state-federal board of the federal communications  
2 commission has recommended that states be allowed to waive the  
3 consumer line charge (access charge), currently one dollar a month  
4 and scheduled to increase to two dollars a month in June of 1986,  
5 for some low income persons. Therefore,

6 SECTION I. Chapter 166 of the General Laws is hereby  
7 amended by adding the following section: —

8 Section 45. All telephone companies operating within the Common-  
9 wealth shall be prohibited from assessing "access charges" on the  
10 residential telephone service of low income persons sixty-five years  
11 of age or over or low income handicapped persons. No residential  
12 service of such persons shall be cancelled for failure to pay such  
13 access charges.

The Government of the United States

Department of the Interior

Whereas the Secretary of the Interior has received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office a report of the progress of the work of the Survey of the Public Lands of the United States, and whereas it is the policy of the Government to keep the public informed of the progress of such work, and whereas the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to publish such reports as he may deem proper, he is hereby authorized to publish the report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the same are hereby published.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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