

State of Misconsin 1995 - 1996 LEGISLATURE

1995 SENATE BILL 39

January 24, 1995 – Introduced by Senators RUDE, JAUCH, RISSER, MOEN, BRESKE, SCHULTZ, LEEAN and WINEKE, cosponsored by Representatives AINSWORTH, TRAVIS, JOHNSRUD, HUEBSCH, FREESE, HAHN, MUSSER and REYNOLDS. Referred to Committee on Environment and Energy.

1 AN ACT to repeal 1993 Wisconsin Act 121, sections 2 and 3 of the statutes;

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relating to: the definition of a small telecommunications utility.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a small telecommunications utility (STU) may be subject to a lesser degree of regulation by the public service commission than other public utilities. Before enactment of 1993 Wisconsin Act 121, a STU was defined as a telecommunications utility that provides local telecommunications service and that has less than 9,000 access lines (telephone lines) in use in this state. That act temporarily expanded the definition of STU by increasing the number of access lines that may be in use to less than 50,000. Also under that act, after December 31, 1996, the number of access lines in use permitted under the definition of a small telecommunications utility is scheduled to revert back to less than 9,000. This bill repeals that reversion and makes the current definition permanent.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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SECTION 1. 1993 Wisconsin Act 121, sections 2 and 3 of the statutes are

- 4 repealed.
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