

2 **SSB 6675** - H AMD TO TTE COMM AMD (H-5021.1/00) **576 FAILED 3-2-00**
3 By Representative Thomas

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5 On page 4, beginning on line 1 of the amendment, strike all
6 material through "services." on line 23, and insert the following:

7 "(2) A public utility district shall provide telecommunications
8 facilities in the district only following approval of a majority of the
9 voters in the district.

10 (3) The process for a public utility district to receive authority
11 to provide telecommunications facilities is as follows:

12 (a) The commission of the public utility district shall pass a
13 resolution stating the intent to provide telecommunications facilities
14 in the district, and submit the resolution to the legislative authority
15 of the county in which the district is located; and

16 (b) The legislative authority, upon receipt of the resolution of
17 the rural port district commission, shall submit a proposal to the
18 voters of the district at the next general election regarding the
19 question of providing telecommunications facilities in the district in
20 substantially the following terms:

21 Shall Public Utility District No. of
22 County be authorized to sell and provide telecommunications
23 facilities within the boundaries of the district?
24 Yes . . .
25 No . . .

26 Within ten days after such an election, the election board of the
27 county shall canvass the returns, and if at such an election a majority
28 of voters voting on the proposition shall vote in favor of such
29 authority, the district shall have the powers to provide
30 telecommunications facilities."

31 On page 8, beginning on line 14 of the amendment, strike all
32 material through "services." on line 36, and insert the following:

33 "(2) A rural port district shall provide telecommunications
34 facilities in the district only following approval of a majority of the
35 voters in the district.

1 (3) The process for a rural port district to receive authority to
2 provide telecommunications facilities is as follows:

3 (a) The commission of the rural port district shall pass a
4 resolution stating the intent to provide telecommunications facilities
5 in the district, and submit the resolution to the legislative authority
6 of the county in which the district is located; and

7 (b) The legislative authority, upon receipt of the resolution of
8 the rural port district commission, shall submit a proposal to the
9 voters of the district at the next general election regarding the
10 question of providing telecommunications facilities in the district in
11 substantially the following terms:

12 Shall Port District No. of County be
13 authorized to sell and provide telecommunications facilities
14 within the boundaries of the district?

15 Yes . . .

16 No . . .

17 Within ten days after such an election, the election board of the
18 county shall canvass the returns, and if at such an election a majority
19 of voters voting on the proposition shall vote in favor of such
20 authority, the district shall have the powers to provide
21 telecommunications facilities."

EFFECT: Requires public utility districts and rural port districts
to receive voter approval prior to providing wholesale
telecommunications services.

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