

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 1386 Telecommunications Services/Universal Service by Senator Bennett

Extends the date which requires each local exchange telecommunications company to furnish basic local exchange telecommunications service within a reasonable time period to any person requesting such service within the company's service territory from January 1, 2009, to January 1, 2012. Extends the date for a transitional period, not to exceed January 1, 2012.

Extends the date that the Legislature shall establish a permanent universal service mechanism to prior to January 1, 2012, at which time any interim recovery mechanism for universal service objectives or carrier-of-last-resort obligations imposed on competitive local exchange telecommunications companies shall terminate. (See bill for details)