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## SENATE BILL NO. 578

Senate Amendments in [] — February 1, 1996

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 56-479.1, relating to telephone long distance service; change of carriers.

## Patron—Woods

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 56-479.1 as follows:

§ 56-479.1. Long distance service; change of carriers; prior authorization.

No telephone company shall cause the long distance carrier designation of any telephone customer to be changed following such customer's initial selection thereof when establishing or reestablishing telephone service, without having first received [ prior, express authorization therefor directly from the telephone customer. a statement from the long distance carrier that such carrier has received a letter of agency or letter of authorization from the customer.]