

State Corporation Commission 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB725

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Edwards

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: Competitive telephone companies.

5. Summary: Competitive telephone companies. Provides that an entity controlled by or related to a competitive telephone company shall not be considered an alternative provider of wireline or terrestrial wireless communications services. Currently, an incumbent competitive telephone company has a duty in its incumbent territory to extend or expand its facilities to furnish retail voice service and facilities if a customer does not have service available from an alternative provider of such services at prevailing market rates. The measure also provides that service provided by an entity that in any manner is controlled by or related to the company providing the local exchange telephone service shall not be considered a reasonably adequate alternative to local exchange telephone service. Currently, the State Corporation Commission may determine whether the wireline or terrestrial wireless communications service available to a party requesting service is a reasonably adequate alternative to local exchange telephone service.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None for the State Corporation Commission

8. Fiscal Implications: None for the State Corporation Commission

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Corporation Commission

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: No

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