



2003 SENATE BILL 371

January 7, 2004 – Introduced by Senator PANZER, cosponsored by Representative GARD. Referred to Select Committee on Job Creation.

- 1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 196.195 (10); and *to create* 196.195 (5m) of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** partial deregulation of telecommunications services.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person may petition the Public Service Commission (PSC) to begin proceedings for determining whether to partially deregulate certain telecommunications services. The PSC may also begin such proceedings on its own motion. If the PSC makes certain findings regarding competition for such telecommunications services, the PSC may issue an order suspending specified provisions of law. Current law does not impose any deadlines on such proceedings.

This bill requires the PSC to complete the proceedings no later than 120 days after a person files a petition. In addition, if the PSC begins proceedings based on its own motion, the proceedings must be completed no later than 120 days after the PSC provides notice of its motion. If the PSC fails to complete the proceedings and, if appropriate, issue an order within the deadline, the bill provides for the suspension of any provisions of law that are specified in the petition or in the PSC's motion.

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:

- 3 **SECTION 1.** 196.195 (5m) of the statutes is created to read:

