



1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 372

May 22, 1997 - Introduced by Representatives SCHNEIDER, WILLIAMS, LORGE, ZIEGELBAUER and GRONEMUS. Referred to Committee on Utilities Oversight.

1 **AN ACT to create** 196.206 of the statutes; **relating to:** requiring local exchange
2 telecommunication utilities to provide international call blocking service and
3 providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if technically feasible, a local exchange telecommunications utility must provide a customer with the option of blocking access to pay-per-call services that use "900" exchanges. This bill requires a local exchange telecommunications utility to provide, if technically feasible, the additional option of international call blocking to block direct-dialed international calls originating from the customer's telephone. The bill also provides that a local exchange telecommunications utility may not charge a customer for the cost of international call blocking the first time a customer requests the blocking and that it may not remove international call blocking unless the customer requests the removal in writing and the utility confirms the request.

For further information see the *state and local* 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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 196.206 of the statutes is created to read:

