FISCAL ESTIMATE

DOA-2048 N(R10/98) ☑ ORIGINAL ☐ UPDATED ☐ CORRECTED ☐ SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB No. and Bill/Adm. Rule No. **Ch. ATCP 123**

Amendment No. If Applicable

Subject

Electronic Communication Service

Fiscal Effect

State: ☑ No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum certain appropriation

☐ Increase Existing Appropriation ☐ Increase Existing Revenues
☐ Decrease Existing Appropriation ☐ Decrease Existing Revenues
☐ Create New Appropriation

☐ Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Decrease Costs

Local: ☑ No Local Government Costs

1. ☐ Increase Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
2. ☐ Decrease Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
3. ☐ Increase Revenues ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
4. ☐ Decrease Revenues ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected: ☐ Towns ☐ Villages ☐ Cities ☐ Counties ☐ Others ☐ School Districts ☐ WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

☐ GPR ☐ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☐ SEG ☐ SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This rule will have no significant fiscal impact on DATCP or local units of government.

Background

Chapter ATCP 123, Wis. Adm. Code, protects consumers against unfair sales and billing practices related to telecommunications and cable television services. Due to recent legislation affecting video service, it is necessary to create a new subchapter to the rule to incorporate and clarify certain video service access requirements and anti-discrimination practices contained in 2007 Wisconsin Act 42.

Specifically, this rule creates a new subchapter titled "Customer Access to Video Services". In this subchapter the rule clarifies that a "group" means two or more households, defines household and low-income household, clarifies "access" to a household, and spells out the procedure by which a large telecommunications service provider may request a waiver or extend the deadline for complying with minimum access requirements under Act 42.

Impact of the Proposed Rule on State Government

This rule will have no significant fiscal impact on DATCP or other state government because Act 42 gave DATCP very limited authority to adopt rules interpreting the access and anti-discrimination provisions of the new video services law. DATCP also has limited enforcement responsibility. Therefore the rule itself has no fiscal impact on DATCP.

Impact of the Proposed Rule on Local Government

This rule will have no fiscal impact on local government.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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