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AN ACT to amend 196.219 (2) (b) and 196.219 (2) (c); and to create 196.219 (2)

(cm) and 196.219 (3m) of the statutes; relating to: requiring certain disclosures in advertising per-minute rates for long distance service and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits a telecommunications provider from advertising a per-minute rate for residential or business long distance service unless the advertisement clearly and conspicuously discloses all conditions, restrictions and charges associated with using the long distance service, including whether the rate is an introductory rate, and discloses the per-minute cost of the long distance service to an average residential or business customer of the telecommunications provider. In addition, if the per-minute rate is an introductory rate, the advertisement must clearly and conspicuously disclose the period during which the introductory rate is in effect and the rate that will be charged at the expiration of the introductory rate.

The bill also requires a telecommunications provider that charges a rate for long distance service that is not a per-minute rate to clearly and conspicuously disclose on the bill for the service the per-minute cost of the service under the rate that is charged.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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1	SECTION 1. 196.219 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
2	196.219 (2) (b) On petition, the commission may, except as provided in par.
3	(cm), grant an exemption from a requirement under this section upon a showing that
4	the exemption is reasonable and not in conflict with the factors under s. 196.03 (6).
5	SECTION 2. 196.219 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
6	196.219 (2) (c) On petition, the commission may, except as provided in par. (cm),
7	grant an exemption from a requirement under this section retroactively if the
8	application of the requirement would be unjust and unreasonable considering the
9	factors under s. 196.03 (6) or other relevant factors.
10	SECTION 3. 196.219 (2) (cm) of the statutes is created to read:
11	196.219 (2) (cm) The commission may not grant an exemption from the
12	requirements of sub. (3m).
13	SECTION 4. 196.219 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:
14	196.219 (3m) PER-MINUTE LONG DISTANCE ADVERTISING. (a) In this subsection,
15	"long distance" means interstate or intrastate interlata long distance within the
16	continental United States.
17	(b) A telecommunications provider may not advertise a per-minute rate for
18	long distance service unless the advertisement clearly and conspicuously discloses
19	each of the following:
20	1. All conditions, restrictions and charges associated with using the long
21	distance service, including whether the per-minute rate is an introductory rate.
22	1m. If the per-minute rate is an introductory rate, the period during which the
23	introductory rate is in effect and the rate that will be charged at the expiration of the
24	introductory period.

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2. If the rate is for residential customers, the per-minute cost of the long
distance service to an average residential customer of the telecommunications
provider or, if the rate is for business customers, the per-minute cost of the long
distance service to an average business customer of the telecommunications
provider.
(bm) A telecommunications provider that charges a rate for long distance
service that is not a per-minute rate shall clearly and conspicuously disclose on the
bill for long distance service the per-minute cost of the long distance service under
the rate that is charged.
(bs) The per-minute cost that is required to be disclosed under pars. (b) 2. and
(bm) shall be calculated on the basis of all conditions, restrictions and charges
associated with using the long distance service.
(c) Any person who violates this subsection may be required to forfeit not more
than \$10,000 for the first offense and may be required to forfeit not more than
\$50,000 for the 2nd or any later offense within a year. Each day of continued violation
constitutes a separate offense. The one-year period shall be measured by using the
dates of the offenses that resulted in convictions.
(d) Paragraph (b) applies to any advertising directed to a resident or business
of this state.
SECTION 5. Effective date.
(1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after

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Senator Jauch:

This bill is identical to LRB-2044/3.

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The attached draft is submitted for your inspection. Please check each part carefully, proofread each word, and sign on the appropriate line(s) below.

Date: 09/23/1999	To: Senator Jauch
	Relating to LRB drafting number: LRB-3657
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1. JACKET the draft for introduction	Bob Janch
in the Senate or the Assembly	_ (check only one). Only the requester under whose name the
drafting request is entered in the LRB's	drafting records may authorize the draft to be submitted. Please
allow one day for the preparation of the	required copies.
2. REDRAFT. See the changes indicated	or attached
A revised draft will be submitted for you	ar approval with changes incorporated.
3. Obtain FISCAL ESTIMATE NOW, p	prior to introduction
If the analysis indicates that a fiscal estimate	mate is required because the proposal makes an appropriation or
increases or decreases existing appropria	ations or state or general local government fiscal liability or
revenues, you have the option to request	the fiscal estimate prior to introduction. If you choose to
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introduction retains your flexibility for p	possible redrafting of the proposal.
If you have any questions regarding the abo	ove procedures, please call 266-3561. If you have any questions
relating to the attached draft, please feel fro	ee to call me.

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