## 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 847

February 20, 2002 – Introduced by Representatives Schooff, Ryba and Kaufert. Referred to Joint Committee on Information Policy and Technology.

- 1 AN ACT to amend 196.202 (2); and to create 196.202 (6) of the statutes; relating
- **to:** notice of new telephone numbers with commercial mobile radio service
- 3 providers.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under this bill, if a customer terminates service with a wireless telecommunications provider, which is referred to under federal and state law as a commercial mobile radio service provider, and the customer provides written or oral notice to that provider of the customer's new telephone number with another wireless telecommunications provider, then the customer's former wireless telecommunications provider must inform persons who make calls to the customer's old telephone number with the former wireless telecommunications provider of the customer's new telephone number. The duty to inform callers about the new telephone number lasts for a period of six weeks after the former wireless telecommunications provider receives notice of the new telephone number.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 196.202 (2) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16,
- 5 is amended to read:

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196.202 (2) Scope of regulation. A commercial mobile radio service provider is not subject to ch. 201 or this chapter, except as provided in subsection (5) and (6), and except that a commercial mobile radio service provider is subject to s. 196.218 (3) if the commission promulgates rules that designate commercial mobile radio service providers as eligible to receive universal service funding under both the federal and state universal service fund programs. If the commission promulgates such rules, a commercial mobile radio service provider shall respond, subject to the protection of the commercial mobile radio service provider's competitive information, to all reasonable requests for information about its operations in this state from the commission necessary to administer the universal service fund.

- **SECTION 2.** 196.202 (6) of the statutes is created to read:
- 196.202 **(6)** Notice of New Telephone Numbers. (a) In this subsection:
  - 1. "Former provider" means a commercial mobile radio service provider with whom a customer has terminated service.
  - 2. "New provider" means a commercial mobile radio service provider with whom a customer initiates service after terminating service with a former provider.
  - (b) If a customer provides written or oral notice to a former provider of the customer's telephone number with a new provider, the former provider shall, for a period of 6 weeks after receiving the notice, inform persons who make calls to the customer's telephone number with the former provider of the customer's telephone number with the new provider.