

MICHIGAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 179 of 1991

***** 484.2304b THIS SECTION IS REPEALED BY ACT 295 OF 2000 EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2005:
See 484.2604 *****

484.2304b Basic local exchange rate options.

Sec. 304b. (1) A provider of basic local exchange service shall develop and offer various rate plans that reflect residential customer calling patterns that shall include, but not limited to, all of the following at the option of the customer unless it is not technologically feasible:

(a) A flat rate allowing unlimited personal and domestic outgoing calls.

(b) A flat rate allowing personal and domestic outgoing calls up to 400 calls per month per line. Calls in excess of 400 per month may be charged at an incremental rate as set by the provider under section 304. If a customer has more than 1 line at the same location that appears on the customer's bill, the allowable calls under this subdivision shall be the aggregate of all the lines regardless from which line the calls originate. A person with disabilities or who is voluntarily providing a service for an organization classified by the internal revenue service as a section 501(c)(3) or (19) organization, or a congressionally chartered veterans organization or their duly authorized foundations, is exempt from the 400 calls per month limitation and shall receive a flat rate allowing unlimited calls per month. A person exempt from the call cap under this subdivision shall not be charged a rate greater than the flat rate charged other residential customers for 400 calls.

(c) A flat rate allowing personal and domestic outgoing calls of not less than 50 nor more than 150 per month, per line. Providers may offer additional plans allowing personal and domestic outgoing calls of not less than 150 per month nor more than 400 per month, per line. Calls in excess of upper per call limit per month may be charged at an incremental rate as set by the provider under section 304. If a customer has more than 1 line at the same location that appears on the customer's bill, the allowable calls under this subdivision shall be the aggregate of all the lines regardless from which line the calls originate.

(d) A rate determined by the time duration of service usage or the distance between the points of service origination and termination.

(e) A rate determined by the number of times the service is used.

(f) A rate that includes 1 or more of the rates allowed by this section.

(g) A rate that includes toll-free calling to contiguous Michigan local calling exchanges.

(2) If an option required under subsection (1) is not being offered by the provider on January 1, 1996, the provider shall set the initial rate for the option.

(3) A provider who, together with any affiliated providers, provides basic local exchange service or basic local exchange and toll service to less than 250,000 end-users in this state is not required to provide a rate plan required under subsection (1) if it is not economically feasible to provide the rate plan.

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