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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR _	HCEDC	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	3/14/21	HB	327
SHORT TITL	E Telecomm Carrier	Regulatory Requiremen	ts	SB _	

ANALYST Martinez

## ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

### No Response Received

Public Regulation Commission was not given 24 hours' notice to provide analysis on this bill.

#### Synopsis of Bill

The House Commerce and Economic Development Committee substitute for House Bill 327 amends the telecommunications act to require equal application of regulatory requirement for local exchange carriers, competitive access providers, and interexchange carriers, except for the regulation of rates pursuant to section 63-9A-8.1 NMSA 1978

This bill contains an emergency clause and would become effective immediately on signature by the governor.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

This bill does not contain an appropriation.

The Public Regulation Commission (PRC) was not given 24 hours' notice to provide analysis on this bill; therefore, it is unknown if the substitute for HB327 will have an impact on the operating budget of the agency or if it will have a significant fiscal impact on ratepayers.

## SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Section 1 (D) amends regulatory requirements, including that the commission's regulation "of competitive local exchange carriers, competitive access providers and interexchange carriers shall

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be no greater than, and no more extensive than, that of incumbent local exchange applied equally to all other local exchange carriers, competitive access providers and interexchange carriers that serve fifty thousand or more access lines"

Because the Public Regulation Commission was not given at least 24 hours' notice to provided analysis on this bill it is unknown if this significant change will have a significant impact on ratepayers.

Removing the population requirement of "fifty thousand or more access lines," only removes the requirement for the Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM).

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