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SENATE BILL 371

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

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AN ACT

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS; ESTABLISHING PARITY OF
INVESTMENT IN LOCAL EXCHANGE AREAS BEFORE SALE PERMITTED BY
THE PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION; AMENDING THE NMSA 1978.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the New Mexico

Telecommunications Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] PARITY OF INVESTMENT IN LOCAL EXCHANGE
FACILITIES PRIOR TO SALE APPROVAL. --The commission shall not
approve or permit the sale of local exchange facilities,
pursuant to Section 63-9A-6.2 NMSA 1978 or otherwise, by a
telecommunications company serving more than eighty thousand
access lines in this state, unless and until the local
exchange system capabilities, switching technologies and
related facilities of the local exchange to be sold are equal

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1 to or greater than the capabilities, technologies and
2 facilities of the seller telecommunications company's largest
3 local exchange in the state."

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