LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE BILL 268

Introduced by Friesen, 34.

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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation
- 2 Act; to amend section 86-136, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska;
- 3 to change a provision relating to the filing of an application for a
- 4 certificate of convenience and necessity; and to repeal the original
- 5 section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 86-136, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 86-136 Upon the completion of the hearing on such an application
- 4 made pursuant to section 86-135, if a hearing is required, the commission
- 5 may grant the application, in whole or in part, if the evidence
- 6 establishes the following:
- 7 (1) That such applicant is not receiving, and <u>at the time of the</u>
- 8 application is not able to receive, will not within a reasonable time
- 9 receive, reasonable advanced telecommunications capability service from
- 10 the telecommunications company which furnishes telecommunications service
- in the local exchange area in which the applicant resides;
- 12 (2) That the revision of the exchange service area required to grant
- 13 the application is economically sound, will not impair the capability of
- 14 any telecommunications company affected to serve the remaining
- 15 subscribers in any affected exchanges, and will not impose an undue and
- 16 unreasonable technological or engineering burden on any affected
- 17 telecommunications company; and
- 18 (3) That the applicant is willing and, unless waived by the affected
- 19 telecommunications company, will pay such construction and other costs
- 20 and rates as are fair and equitable and will reimburse the affected
- 21 telecommunications company for any undepreciated investment in existing
- 22 property as determined by the commission. The amount of any payment by
- 23 the applicant for construction and other costs associated with providing
- 24 service to the applicant may be negotiated between the applicant and the
- 25 affected telecommunications company.
- 26 Sec. 2. Original section 86-136, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 27 Nebraska, is repealed.