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AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN DISCLOSURES TO CONSUMERS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, COMMUNITY ANTENNA TELEVISION SERVICES, CERTIFIED COMPETITIVE VIDEO SERVICES, TELEVISION SERVICES AND INTERNET SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) Any person or entity
2 engaged in the sale or provision of telecommunications services,
3 community antenna television services, certified competitive video
4 services, television services, Internet services or a combination of such
5 services shall make the following disclosures to a consumer when such
6 services are offered for sale to such consumer: (1) An estimate of such
7 consumer's total monthly bill, including all collateral charges, taxes
8 and fees, (2) whether the consumer is entering into a contract for a
9 specific term and the term of the contract, if applicable, (3) any term in
10 the contract, if applicable, that will cause the consumer's initial total
11 monthly bill to increase, together with the date such increase will take
12 place and an estimate of the total monthly bill after such increase,
13 including all collateral charges, taxes and fees, and (4) that if the actual
14 total monthly bill received by the consumer is more than five per cent
15 greater than the estimate provided, such consumer shall have the right

16 to cancel the contract at any time without penalty.

17 (b) No transaction entered into in violation of subsection (a) of this
18 section shall be enforceable by the person or entity selling or providing
19 such services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	New section

GL *Joint Favorable*