



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5645

LCO No. 1442



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:
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AN ACT REQUIRING INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT ARE STATE CONTRACTORS TO ADOPT A NET NEUTRALITY POLICY.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to require Internet service
2 providers that are state contractors to adopt a net neutrality policy,
3 provided each such policy shall include a certification that the
4 contractor:

5 (1) Shall not block lawful content, applications, services or
6 nonharmful devices, subject to reasonable network management that is
7 disclosed to the consumer;

8 (2) Shall not impair or degrade lawful Internet traffic on the basis of
9 Internet content, application or service or use of a nonharmful device,
10 subject to reasonable network management that is disclosed to the
11 consumer;

12 (3) Shall not engage in paid prioritization, or accept any consideration
13 to manage its network in a way that benefits particular content,

14 applications, services or devices; and

15 (4) Shall publicly disclose accurate information regarding the
16 network management practices, performance and commercial terms of
17 its broadband Internet access services sufficient for consumers to make
18 informed choices regarding the use of such services.

Statement of Purpose:

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