

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to which was
3 referred House Bill No. 608 entitled “An act relating to long distance,
4 intrastate telephone service” respectfully reports that it has considered the
5 same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the
6 enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 30 V.S.A. § 233 is added to read:

8 § 233. LONG DISTANCE, INTRASTATE TELEPHONE SERVICE

9 (a) Upon request of a consumer, a telecommunications carrier subject to the
10 jurisdiction of the Public Service Board under subdivision 203(5) of this
11 chapter that provides local exchange service in Vermont shall not require the
12 customer to dial a long distance prefix or an area code, or both, for long
13 distance, intrastate telephone service. This section is not intended to impact in
14 any way the rates charged by a telecommunications carrier.

15 (b) The Commissioner of Public Service shall prescribe the form and
16 manner by which a carrier subject to this section shall notify its customers of
17 their rights under subsection (a) of this section and the procedures for
18 exercising those rights.

19 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

20 This act shall take effect on passage.

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3 (Committee vote: _____)

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FOR THE COMMITTEE