

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 676

House of Representatives, February 11, 1997

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### An Act to Deregulate Intrastate Long-distance Calling.

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Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LEMONT of Kittery.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CLUKEY of Houlton, JONES of Pittsfield, LAYTON of Cherryfield, MACK of Standish, PINKHAM of Lamoine, WHEELER of Eliot.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §7106 is enacted to read:**

6 **§7106. Deregulation of interexchange service**

8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the commission  
10 shall adopt rules deregulating intrastate interexchange  
12 telecommunications service. Rules adopted pursuant to this  
14 section are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5,  
16 chapter 375, subchapter II-A and must be presented for review by  
18 the Legislature no later than February 1, 1998. When the  
commission submits its provisionally adopted rules, it shall  
provide to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having  
jurisdiction over utility matters draft legislation proposing any  
changes to law that the commission identifies to be necessary in  
order to accomplish deregulation of intrastate interexchange  
telecommunications service.

20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt  
24 rules deregulating intrastate interexchange telecommunications  
service.