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House of Representatives, January 14, 2003

An Act to Eliminate the Telephone Service Tax Dedicated to Libraries and Schools

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative GAGNE-FRIEL of Buckfield.
Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and
Representatives: GLYNN of South Portland, SAMPSON of Auburn, Senator: DAVIS of Piscataquis.

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

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §7104-B, as amended by PL 2001, c. 522, §§1
and 2, is repealed.

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SUMMARY

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This bill repeals the section of law that allows telecommunications carriers to assess consumers a 0.5% fee on telecommunications services. The funds accumulated from the tax are used to provide discounted telecommunications services, internet access, internal connections, computers and training to qualified libraries and schools; since this bill repeals the sole source of funding, this bill repeals the entire section regulating the use of the fund.