

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 213

House of Representatives, February 7, 2013

**An Act To Amend the Representation on the Telecommunications  
Relay Services Advisory Council**

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative COOPER of Yarmouth.

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

2           **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §8704, sub-§1, ¶E,** as amended by PL 2009, c. 68, §13, is  
3 further amended to read:

4           E. Eight members appointed by the Governor as follows:

5                 (1) One member from the Maine Educational Center for the Deaf and Hard of  
6                 Hearing and the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf;

7                 (2) One member from a statewide association for the deaf;

8                 (3) One member from a center on deafness;

9                 (4) One member from the largest incumbent local exchange carrier providing  
10                 telecommunications relay service in this State;

11                 (5) One member of a telephone association in this State, except that the  
12                 representative under this subparagraph may not be a representative of the carrier  
13                 under subparagraph (4);

14                 (6) Two members from the general public who use telecommunications devices  
15                 for the deaf as a primary means of telecommunications; and

16                 (7) One member representing ~~a cellular or wireless service provider~~ an Internet  
17                 telecommunications relay service provider that provides service to customers in  
18                 this State.

19   **SUMMARY**

20           This bill removes the member on the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory  
21           Council representing a cellular or wireless service provider and replaces the member with  
22           a member representing an Internet telecommunications relay service provider that  
23           provides service to customers in the State.