

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Verizon Florida Inc. to reform intrastate network access and basic local telecommunications rates in accordance with Section 364.164, Florida Statutes.)	Docket No. 030867-TL
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In re: Petition by Sprint-Florida, Incorporated to reduce intrastate switched network access rates to interstate parity in revenue-neutral manner pursuant to Section 364.164(1), Florida Statutes.)	Docket No. 030868-TL
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In re: Petition for implementation of Section 364.164, Florida Statutes, by rebalancing rates in a revenue-neutral manner through decreases in intrastate switched access charges with offsetting rate adjustments for basic services, by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.)	Docket No. 030869-TL
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In re: Flow-through of LEC switched access reductions by IXCs, pursuant to Section 364.163(2), Florida Statutes.)	Docket No. 030961-TI
)	Served December 3, 2003

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 90.204, Florida Statutes, AARP requests that the Commission take official notice of the transcripts of the floor debates of the Florida Senate and Florida House surrounding their respective passage of Senate Bill 654 and House Bill 1903. The Senate debate on Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 654 took place on April 30, 2003, while the debate in the Florida House took place on two days: April 30, 2003, debate on House Bill 1903, and on May 1, 2003, debate on House Bill

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1903 and Senate Bill 654. The legislation passed, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 654, enacted the changes to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, upon which the relief in these consolidated cases is based.

It is the position of AARP, as previously expressed in its Motion to Dismiss for Failure to Join Indispensable Parties and in the prefiled direct testimony of Dr. Mark Cooper, that Section 364.164(1)(a) and (b), Florida Statutes, are sufficiently unclear in their meaning that ascertaining the intention of the Florida Legislature in passing the legislation is not possible without resort to the legislative history, as represented by the words of the legislators sponsoring and speaking to passage of the legislation. As this Commission is aware, the interpretation of these sections, especially Section 364.164(1)(a), Florida Statutes, is the foundation upon which the telecommunications companies are seeking a total of \$355.5 million in annual local rate increases.

The three volumes of transcribed debate described above are attached hereto and have been provided electronically to the parties to these consolidated cases.

WHEREFORE, AARP respectfully requests that this Commission take official notice of the floor debates of the Florida Senate and Florida House surrounding the passage of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 654 for the purpose of ascertaining the legislature's intent.

Respectfully submitted,

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