CHAPTER 308 FORMERLY SENATE BILL NO. 184

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 26 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend Chapter 1, Subchapter II, of Title 26 of the Delaware Code by deleting §221 in its entirety and inserting therein the following:

"§221. Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee.

(a) The purpose of the Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee is to oversee the Relay services contract, the Delaware Relay web site, new product announcements and all associated outreach programs. The Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee shall advise any public utility which is authorized by the Commission to provide a statewide telecommunications relay service, and to also advise any contractor, designee, agent or assign of such public utility on matters related to the use of the telecommunications relay service.

(b) The Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee shall be composed of 11 members:

1) 1 member shall be a public utility, authorized by the Commission to provide a statewide telecommunications relay service (TRS) utility;

2) 1 person designated by the TRS utility, and shall be under contract with such utility to provide all or part of a statewide telecommunications relay service;

- 3) The 911 Administrator for the State of Delaware;
- 4) One representative from the Division of Visually Impaired;
- 5) One representative from the Department of Technology and Information;
- 6) One representative from the Council on Deaf and Hard of Hearing Equality;
- 7) One representative from the Delaware Association of the Deaf;
- 8) One representative from the Hearing Loss Association of Delaware;
- 9) One representative from the Delaware Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing;
- 10) One representative from the Delaware School for the Deaf; and
- 11) One representative from Independent Resources, Inc.

(c) A public utility acting as a member of the Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee shall be obligated to reimburse such Committee for the reasonable expenses incurred by such Committee for interpreter services. The Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee shall submit invoices for such reasonable expenses to a public utility obligated to reimburse the Committee for the same. These expenses shall be recovered by a reimbursing public utility in the manner authorized by the Commission for recovery of any other costs associated with the implementation and operation of a telecommunications relay service.

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