

**ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB257**

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**Hearing Date:** Monday February 07, 2011  
**Committee On:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Introducer:** Fischer  
**One Liner:** Remove a filing requirement for telecommunications companies

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Campbell, Dubas, Fischer, Hadley, Janssen, Lautenbaugh, Louden, Price

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**

Dusty Vaughan  
Richard Severy

**Representing:**

Introducing for Senator Deb Fischer  
Verizon

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Tim Schram

**Representing:**

Public Service Commission

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 257 removes a Public Service Commission filing requirement with regard to business service by a telecommunications company.

Currently Sec. 86-143 requires a telecommunications company to file rate lists with the Commission for each service provided when the Commission has declared local competition to exist in an exchange.

The bill amends the statute to exclude filing rate lists, tariffs or contracts for business services.

The company may remove any business service rate list, tariff, or contract if written notice is provided to the Commission and the company posts the rates, terms, and conditions of business service on it website.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The committee amendment, AM 58, adds a new section to include similar language in Sec. 86-144 regarding exchanges where no local competition has been determined to exist by the Commission. To date no exchange has been determined to have competition.

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The amendment insures that rate lists, tariffs, or contracts for business services will be excluded from filing requirements in all exchanges, regardless of whether local competition has been determined to exist.

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Deb Fischer, Chairperson