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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas
- 3 in relation to extended service areas and toll-free local calling
- 4 areas.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 55, Utilities Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 55.026 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 55.026. NEW ORDERS PROHIBITED AFTER CERTAIN DATE. On
- 9 or after September 1, 2011, the commission may not order a
- 10 telecommunications provider to provide mandatory or optional
- 11 extended area service to additional metropolitan areas or calling
- 12 <u>areas.</u>
- SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 55, Utilities Code, is
- 14 amended by adding Section 55.049 to read as follows:
- 15 Sec. 55.049. EXPANSION PROHIBITED AFTER CERTAIN DATE. On
- 16 or after September 1, 2011, the commission may not order an
- 17 expansion of a toll-free local calling area.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.