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H.B. No. 1303

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to entities that provide video services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 66.002(10), Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

(10) "Video service" means video programming services provided by a video service provider through wireline facilities located at least in part in the public right-of-way without regard to delivery technology, including Internet protocol technology. The term [This definition] does not include:

(A) [any] video service provided by a commercial mobile service provider as defined in 47 U.S.C. Section 332(d);

(B) direct-to-home satellite services, as defined in 47 U.S.C. Section 303(v); or

(C) any video programming accessed via a service that enables users to access content, information, electronic mail, or other services offered over the Internet, including streaming content.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.