

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 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), that are transmitted from a satellite directly to a customer's premises without using or accessing a portion of the public right-of-way; or

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

SECTION 2. Chapter 66, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Section 66.017 to read as follows:

Sec. 66.017. PRESERVATION OF CERTAIN DUTIES. (a) The enactment of Sections 66.002(10)(B) and (C) does not affect the obligation of a person who holds a state-issued certificate of

1 franchise authority on September 1, 2025, to provide the  
2 compensation required under this chapter for use of a public  
3 right-of-way.

4 (b) The enactment of Sections 66.002(10)(B) and (C) does not  
5 affect the application of this chapter to compensation with respect  
6 to services described by those sections provided before September  
7 1, 2025, by a person who was involved in litigation regarding this  
8 chapter on January 1, 2025.

9 SECTION 3. It is the intent of the legislature that the  
10 changes in law made by this Act do not affect the existing right of a  
11 municipality to bring an action against a holder or non-holder of a  
12 state-issued certificate of franchise authority in a court of  
13 competent jurisdiction under Chapter 66, Utilities Code.

14 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 924 passed the Senate on March 31, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 23, Nays 7; and that the Senate concurred in House amendments on May 28, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 924 passed the House, with amendments, on May 23, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 115, Nays 13, one present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor