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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND  
CARRIERS

Introduced By: Representatives Chippendale, Keable, and Dickinson

Date Introduced: February 26, 2014

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1           SECTION 1. Chapter 39-2 of the General Laws entitled "Duties of Utilities and Carriers"  
2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:  
3           **39-2-26. Services provided.** – Any public utility providing phone, cable television, or  
4 Internet service to eighty-five percent (85%) of the eligible residents of any single city or town  
5 shall make available said phone, cable television, or Internet services to the remaining fifteen  
6 percent (15%) of the city or town.  
7           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This act would require any public utility company providing services to eighty-five  
2 percent (85%) of the residents of any city or town to also make available said services to the  
3 remaining fifteen percent (15%).

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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