

AN ACT concerning telecommunications.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by adding
Section 13-501.5 as follows:

(220 ILCS 5/13-501.5 new)

Sec. 13-501.5. Directory assistance service for the
blind. Within 180 days after the effective date of this
amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, a
telecommunications carrier that provides directory assistance
service shall provide in its tariffs for that service that
directory assistance shall be provided at no charge to its
customers who are legally blind for telephone numbers of
customers located within the same calling area, as described
in the telecommunications carrier's tariff.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
becoming law.