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SECTION 5

What it says...

Sec. 5. 1. "PAR carrier" means an incumbent local
2-31 exchange carrier that is regulated under a plan of

2-32 regulation approved by the Commission pursuant to section 8 of

2-33 this act.

2-34 2. The term includes, but is not limited to, an electing PAR

2-35 carrier.

What it does...

Whenever you see the term "PAR Carrier, read SBC-Nevada Bell/Sprint.

SECTION 8

Sec. 8. 1. The Commission may exempt, to the extent it 2-45 deems reasonable, an incumbent local exchange carrier from any

3-1 or all of the provisions of this chapter, upon a determination after

- 3-2 a hearing that the incumbent local exchange carrier should be
- 3-3 subject to a plan of alternative regulation.
- 3-4 2. The Commission shall adopt regulations necessary to
- 3-5 establish a plan of alternative regulation for an incumbent local
- 3-6 exchange carrier. The regulations must include provisions that:
- 3-7 (a) Allow adjustment of the rates charged by the incumbent
- 3-8 local exchange carrier during the period in which the incumbent
- 3-9 local exchange carrier is regulated under a plan of alternative
- 3-10 regulation.
- 3-11 (b) Provide for flexibility in the pricing and the terms of
- 3-12 discretionary services upon submitting a notice to the
- 3-13 Commission.
- 3-14 (c) Specify the provisions of this chapter and chapter 707 of
- 3-15 NRS that do not apply to the incumbent local exchange carrier
- 3-16 during the period in which the incumbent local exchange carrier

Under NRS 704.040 the Commission already has the authority to adjust the rules and regulations applicable to Sprint and SBC.

As a result of the broad authority given to the Commission, any Party can petition the Commission to request such adjustments, and their request can be analyzed in the proper time frame (as opposed to the ten days this Committee has in front of it), using the expertise available to the Commission. Indeed, in November, 2002 the Commission asked Sprint, SBC and other interested parties whether they felt the Commission should open a docket to overhaul "PAR" regulations, but Sprint and SBC stated that they would rather take their concerns to the legislature. We simply do not need these regulations

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