

March 25, 2009

**S 889. UTILITIES/CARRIER OF LAST RESORT (=H 530).** Filed 3/25/09. *FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO DETERMINE THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROVIDER IN CERTAIN SUBDIVISIONS AND AREAS.*

Identical to H 530, filed 3/11/09.

**Intro. by Vaughan.**

GS 62

May 13, 2009

**S 889. UTILITIES/CARRIER OF LAST RESORT.** Filed 3/25/09. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends subsection (f4) of GS 62-110 to specify that a local exchange company is not obligated to provide any communications service to customers in a subdivision or area if any telecommunications provider enters into an agreement after July 1, 2008 (was, no specified date) to provide communications service for the subdivision or other area that precludes the local exchange from offering service for the area. Requires any person that enters into an agreement with a telecommunications service provider to provide local exchange service for a subdivision or other area to provide notice of the agreement to a purchaser of real property in that subdivision or area. Expands the basis for granting a waiver to a local exchange company of its carrier of last resort obligation to require a showing by the local exchange company that (1) one or more alternative providers of local exchange service exist and (2) granting the waiver is in the public interest, in addition to showing that providing service in the subdivision or area would be inequitable or unduly burdensome. Makes additional clarifying, technical, and organizational changes.

Makes a clarifying change to subsection (f5). Amends subsection (f6) to delete the definition for *local exchange service* that was added in the 1st edition. Deletes provision that the act applies to agreements to provide communications service entered into prior to or on or after the effective date.

June 29, 2009

**SL 2009-202 (S 889). UTILITIES/CARRIER OF LAST RESORT. AN ACT FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO DETERMINE THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROVIDER IN CERTAIN SUBDIVISIONS AND AREAS.** Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/25/09 and 5/13/09. Enacted June 26, 2009. Effective June 26, 2009.