

HOUSE No. 3369

By Ms. Reinstein of Revere, petition of Kathi-Anne Reinstein relative to community antenna television system rates. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO COMMUNITY ANTENNA TELEVISION SYSTEMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 15 of chapter 166A of
2 the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is
3 hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in
4 place thereof the following:—

5 The division shall study the necessity and desirability of rate reg-
6 ulation, and thereafter it may, upon its own motion or upon request
7 of any issuing authority or licensee, after due hearing and investiga-
8 tion, fix and establish, for each community antenna television
9 system in the Commonwealth, a fair and reasonable rate of return
10 from subscription rates charged to subscribers, said rates to be ade-
12 quate, just, reasonable and non-discriminatory provided, however
13 the maximum rate for each community antenna television system
14 shall not exceed the lowest rate established for each system in any
15 city or town of the Commonwealth.

1 SECTION 2. All existing rates on the effective date of this act
2 shall be adjusted to conform with the provisions of section 1.