

Assembly Bill No. 610

CHAPTER 511

An act to amend Section 2890.2 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to telecommunications.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 610, Calderon. Telecommunications: mobile telephony services.

Existing law requires a provider of mobile telephony services, as defined, no later than January 1, 2004, to provide subscribers with a means by which a subscriber can obtain reasonably current and available information on the subscriber's calling plan or plans and service usage, including roaming usage and charges.

This bill would additionally require that, on or before January 1, 2007, a provider of mobile telephony services provide subscribers with a means by which a subscriber can obtain reasonably current and available information, as determined by the provider, on the subscriber's text messaging and Internet usage and charges.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2890.2 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

2890.2. (a) A provider of mobile telephony services shall provide subscribers with a means by which a subscriber can obtain reasonably current and available information, as determined by the provider, on the subscriber's calling plan or plans and service usage, including roaming usage and charges.

(b) On or before January 1, 2007, a provider of mobile telephony services shall provide subscribers with a means by which a subscriber can obtain reasonably current and available information, as determined by the provider, on the subscriber's text messaging and Internet usage and charges.

(c) Each provider of mobile telephony services shall inform subscribers at the time service is established of the availability of the information described in subdivisions (a) and (b) and how it may be obtained.

(d) For purposes of this section, "mobile telephony services" means commercially available interconnected mobile phone services that provide access to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) via mobile communication devices employing radiowave technology to transmit calls, including cellular radiotelephone, broadband Personal Communications

Services (PCS), and digital Specialized Mobile Radio (SMR). “Mobile telephony services” does not include mobile satellite services or mobile data services used exclusively for the delivery of nonvoice information to a mobile device.