



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 451

LCO No. 1301



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:
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**AN ACT CONCERNING CAPS ON INTERNET DATA USAGE,
REGULATING CABLE TELEVISION RATES AND INFORMATION
SERVICES, DEVELOPING STANDARD CONTRACTUAL TERMS FOR
INFORMATION SERVICES AND AMENDING THE CONNECTICUT
ANTITRUST ACT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to: (1) Prevent
2 telecommunications companies from imposing a cap on Internet data
3 plans; (2) require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority regulate
4 cable television rates; (3) require the Public Utilities Regulatory
5 Authority regulate information services not currently regulated by the
6 Federal Communications Commission; (4) require the Public Utilities
7 Regulatory Authority, in consultation with the Office of Consumer
8 Counsel, develop standard contracting terms for information services;
9 and (5) amend the Connecticut Antitrust Act and require the Attorney
10 General to report annually to the General Assembly on enforcement of
11 the Connecticut Antitrust Act with regards to information services
12 issues.

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) prevent telecommunications companies from imposing a cap on Internet data plans, (2) require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority regulate cable television rates, (3) require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority regulate information services not currently regulated by the Federal Communications Commission, (4) require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, in consultation with the Office of Consumer Counsel, develop standard contracting terms for information services, and (5) amend the Connecticut Antitrust Act and require the Attorney General to report annually to the General Assembly on enforcement of the Connecticut Antitrust Act with regards to information services issues.