

Public Law 96-590
96th Congress

An Act

Dec. 24, 1980

[S. 3261]

To amend section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934 in order to include Hawaii in the same category as other States for the purposes of such section.

Communications
Act of 1934,
amendment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 222(a)(10) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 222(a)(10)) is amended by striking out “, except Hawaii”.

SEC. 2. Section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 222), as amended, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(g)(1) The authority of any carrier to provide any service or operate any facilities which it is authorized to provide or operate on the date of enactment of this subsection shall not be altered solely by the inclusion of Hawaii within the definition of ‘Continental United States’, nor shall such inclusion restrict or impair any carrier’s eligibility after the date of enactment of this subsection for new or additional authority.

“(2) Whenever, upon a complaint or upon its own initiative, and after opportunity for a hearing, the Commission finds that any charge, classification, regulation, or practice relating to intercarrier arrangements of any carrier serving Hawaii is or will be unjust, unreasonable, discriminatory, or not in the public interest, the Commission shall determine and prescribe what charge, classification, regulation, or practice, or such other remedy as is or will be just, reasonable, nondiscriminatory and in the public interest to be thereafter followed.”.

Approved December 24, 1980.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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