

HOUSE BILL 658

IN THE HOUSE

February 8, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Business and Industry.
February 15, 1979	Committee recommend bill, do not pass.
February 16, 1979	Report adopted. Objection.
February 17, 1979	Second reading, do not pass.

1 House BILL NO. 658
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO SUBJECT COMMUNITY
 5 ANTENNA SYSTEMS, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS CABLE TV, TO THE
 6 SUPERVISION, REGULATION, AND CONTROL OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE
 7 COMMISSION; AMENDING SECTION 69-3-101, MCA."

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 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

10 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Regulation of cable TV. The
 11 public service commission has full power of supervision,
 12 regulation, and control of community antenna systems,
 13 commonly referred to as cable TV. The provisions of Title
 14 69, chapter 3, apply to the supervision, regulation, and
 15 control of community antenna systems with references to
 16 public utilities in Title 69, chapter 3, considered to
 17 include community antenna systems.

18 Section 2. Section 69-3-101, MCA, is amended to read:

19 "69-3-101. Meaning of term public utility. (1) The
 20 term "public utility", within the meaning of this chapter,
 21 shall embrace every corporation, both public and private,
 22 company, individual, association of individuals, their
 23 lessees, trustees, or receivers appointed by any court
 24 whatsoever, that now or hereafter may own, operate, or
 25 control any plant or equipment or any part of a plant or

1 equipment within the state for the production, delivery, or
 2 furnishing for or to other persons, firms, associations, or
 3 corporations, private or municipal:

- 4 (1)(a) heat;
- 5 (1)(b) street-railway service;
- 6 (1)(c) light;
- 7 (1)(d) power in any form or by any agency;
- 8 (1)(e) water for business, manufacturing, household
- 9 use, or sewerage service, whether within the limits of
- 10 municipalities, towns, and villages or elsewhere;
- 11 (1)(f) telegraph or telephone service.

12 ~~(2) For the purpose of supervision, regulation, and~~
 13 ~~control of community antenna systems as provided for in~~
 14 ~~[section 1], the term "public utility" includes community~~
 15 ~~antenna systems, commonly referred to as cable TV."~~

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