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House Bill 303

By: Representatives Jamieson of the 28th, Shaw of the 176th, Neal of the 1st, Buckner of the 130th, Black of the 174th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 telephone and telegraph service, so as to provide for requirements with respect to the
- 3 provision of cellular telephone service; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 SECTION 1.

- 6 Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to telephone and
- 7 telegraph service, is amended by adding a new article at the end thereof, to be designated
- 8 Article 6, to read as follows:

9 "ARTICLE 6

- 10 46-5-210.
- Each provider of cellular telephone service in this state shall, with respect to any new or
- renewal contract or agreement for cellular telephone service sold in this state after July 1,
- 13 2005, provide to the subscriber at the time of sale a detailed map of the service area in this
- state that identifies specifically any and all unserved areas in this state accompanied by a
- 15 written statement regarding when such provider expects to provide service in such
- unserved area. No area shall be included in a service area by such provider unless such
- provider has adequate power and an adequate number of cellular transmission towers or
- facilities to prevent poor signal or service lapses within such area."

19 SECTION 2.

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.