## COMMITTEE ON REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Representative Joel Jacobs, Chairman of the Regulated Industries Committee, called the twenty third meeting to order on Thursday, October 15, 1987, in the Basement Room of the State Office Building at 2:30 p.m.

## Members present:

Jacobs, Chairman 0gren Bennett 01 sen Clark Osthoff Gruenes Poppenhagen Hartle Quinn Jennings Redalen Jensen Scheid Lieder Stanius Minne **Tjornhom** 

## Members excused:

McLaughlin Beard Jaros

Rodosovich Rose

A quorum was present.

Representative Olsen  $\underline{\text{MOVED}}$  that the minutes of September 9, 1987 be approved. The motion PREVAILED.

Barbara Beerhalter, Chair of the Public Utilities Commission, and Karin Sonneman, Special Asst. Attorney General, Public Utilities Commission, presented an overview on the status of the Telephone Assistance Plan (TAP) and the problems the Task Force is encountering.

H.F. 1687 (Jacobs) - ensuring universal access to telephone service by persons 65 years of age or older; establishing eligivility for assistance; establishing funding of the assistance program by long distance service access surcharge.

TESTIFYING IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL WAS:

Donald Johnson

Gen. Mgr., Consolidated Tele Co.

TESTIFYING IN OPPOSITION TO THE BILL WERE:

Rich Morris Pete Beckman Jack Burge Barry Tilley AT & T NW Bell

United Telephone

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The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Joel/Jacobs, Chairman

Lu Finnegan, Secretary