

**237.69 TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PLAN; DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** The terms used in sections 237.69 to 237.71 have the meanings given them in this section.

Subd. 2. [Renumbered subd 11]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1Sp2001 c 4 art 6 s 76]

Subd. 4. [Renumbered subd 17]

Subd. 5. **Access line.** "Access line" means telephone company-owned facilities furnished to permit switched access to the telecommunications network that extend from a central office to the demarcation point on the property where the subscriber is served. The term includes access lines provided to residential and business subscribers, includes centrex access lines on a trunk-equivalent basis, but does not include private nonswitched or wide area telephone service access lines.

Subd. 6. [Renumbered subd 13]

Subd. 7. [Renumbered subd 16]

Subd. 8. [Renumbered subd 15]

Subd. 9. [Renumbered subd 12]

Subd. 10. [Renumbered subd 14]

Subd. 11. **Commission.** "Commission" means the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

Subd. 12. **Disabled.** "Disabled" has the meaning given it in section 363A.03, subdivision 12.

Subd. 13. **Federal matching plan.** "Federal matching plan" means any telephone assistance plan formulated by the Federal Communications Commission that provides federal assistance to local telephone subscribers.

Subd. 14. **Fund.** "Fund" means the telephone assistance fund established in section 237.701.

Subd. 15. **Income.** For purposes of sections 237.69 to 237.71, "income" has the meaning given it in section 290A.03, subdivision 3.

Subd. 16. **Telephone assistance plan.** "Telephone assistance plan" means the plan to be adopted by the commission and to be jointly administered by the commission, the Department of Human Services, and the telephone companies, as required by sections 237.69 to 237.71.

Subd. 17. **Telephone company.** "Telephone company" has the meanings given it in section 237.01, subdivisions 3 and 7, that provides local exchange telephone service.

**History:** 1987 c 340 s 13; 1988 c 621 s 9-11; 1989 c 209 art 2 s 1; 1990 c 567 s 10; 2014 c 222 art 1 s 41-43