telecommunications service in the State; excluding certain gross charges from the definition of "gross receipts" subject to the public service company franchise tax: providing that the public service company franchise tax with respect to gross receipts from telecommunications service shall be added to and disclosed as an element of the charge to the customer for the service; limiting a certain subtraction modification under the income tax for gross receipts subject to the public service company franchise tax to gross receipts not derived from telecommunications service; providing a credit against the corporation income taxes State income tax for certain property taxes paid by a public utility that is a telecommunications company; requiring an addition modification under the income tax in the amount of a certain credit; imposing the sales and use tax on the sale of prepaid telephone calling cards; imposing the sales and use tax on certain Internet access service; altering the definition of "operating personal property" for property tax purposes for a public utility that is a telecommunications provider; repealing the sales and use tax on certain telecommunications services; altering the application of the sales and use tax to certain services; requiring the Public Service Commission to require determine and require a certain reduction in local telephone rates to reflect the climination of a certain-tax formerly included in the rates; prohibiting a local telephone service provider from adding a certain tax to its charge to the customer until a certain reduction in rates is effective; requiring a local telephone service provider to provide certain information to certain customers; providing for the effective dates and application of this Act; requiring a certain report; and generally relating to the taxation of telecommunications companies and telecommunications services in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - General

Section 8-401, 8-403, 8-409, 10-307(c), and 11-101(i)(1) and 10-307(c) and (k)(9) and (10)

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BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Tax - General

Section-8-402

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(1988-Volume and 1996 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Tax - General

Section 10-306(c), and 10-708, and 11-101(c-1) and (k)(11)

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - Property