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House Bill 4637 (as reported without amendment)**Sponsor: Representative Alma Stallworth****House Committee: Public Utilities****Senate Committee: Energy****Date Completed: 2-25-88*****RATIONALE***

The Public Service Commission (PSC) has indicated that several statutory provisions are obsolete because they require the PSC to carry out duties that the Commission no longer performs as a result of changes in State or Federal law. Among these provisions is a requirement that the PSC regulate the interference in radio reception caused by simultaneous broadcasting.

CONTENT

The bill would repeal Public Act 131 of 1927, which requires the "public utilities commission" to make regulations to prohibit the interference in radio reception caused by the simultaneous broadcasting of two or more radio stations.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

ARGUMENTS***Supporting Argument***

The bill simply would remove an obsolete provision from the law. The Federal Communications Commission has pre-empted State regulation of broadcasting.

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