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Abstract: Prohibits a telecommunication service from charging persons incarcerated in a correctional facility or the person accepting a call from the incarcerated person.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the office of telecommunications management, through the state purchasing office, to enter into telecommunication services contracts on behalf of any state agency.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and prohibits any telecommunication service from charging a person incarcerated in a correctional facility or any person accepting a call from the incarcerated person, and prohibits any contract for telecommunication services provided to persons incarcerated in correctional facilities in the state from including provisions which authorize charges to the person incarcerated in the correctional facility or the person accepting a telephone call from the incarcerated person.

(Adds R.S. 15:714 and R.S. 39:1756)