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Chapter 29 of the Laws of 1985  
Changes to Sections 184 and 184-a of the Tax Law regarding  
Corporations principally engaged in a telephone or telegraph business

Chapter 29 of the Laws of 1985 provides that for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 1985, all corporations, joint stock companies or associations principally engaged in the conduct of a telephone or telegraph business shall pay a franchise tax, under Section 184 of Article 9 of the Tax Law, at a rate of  $\frac{3}{10}$  of 1% upon gross earnings. The tax rate for all other corporations, joint stock companies or associations subject to Section 184 of Article 9 of the Tax Law will remain at  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 1% upon gross earnings.

Chapter 29 provides further that corporations, joint stock companies or associations principally engaged in the conduct of a telephone or telegraph business shall compute the metropolitan transportation business tax surcharge as if the  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 1% rate of tax were applicable to such businesses.