

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Business and Transportation

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 05/27/15

**Action:** Do Pass The A-Eng Bill.

**Meeting Dates:** 05/27

**Vote:**

Yeas: 4 - Girod, Monroe, Riley, Thomsen

Exc: 1 - Beyer

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Oregon Business Development Department to conduct study on methods to expand broadband and telecommunications infrastructure in rural cities and counties. Requires Department to submit report to interim legislative committees by December 31, 2016. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of measure

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Oregon Business Development Department helps facilitate the deployment and utilization of telecommunications infrastructure to support innovation, create economic opportunities and build quality communities throughout Oregon. House Bill 3274A directs Business Oregon to conduct a study regarding methods to expand broadband and telecommunications infrastructure in rural cities and counties in Oregon. The report would be submitted to the interim legislative committees on economic development by December 31, 2016.