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To: Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology

From: Sean McSpaden, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: February 23, 2018

Subject: HB 4023 – Relating to Broadband Technology
Work Session Recommendations

House Bill 4023 directs the Oregon Broadband Advisory Council to study options for a local broadband champion program and report findings to the Legislative Assembly by December 1, 2018.

House Bill 4023 creates the Connecting Oregon Schools Fund for the purpose of providing matching funds for federal moneys received by school districts for broadband access. The measure appropriates \$750,000 from General Fund to the Connecting Oregon Schools Fund, establishes eligibility criteria, and requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules. Finally, the measure declares an emergency and is effective upon passage.

Materials related to House Bill 4023 are posted on OLIS.

The -A13 amendment allows the State Chief Information Officer (CIO) to provide broadband communications services upon request to local governments, special districts and federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon via one of two paths: 1) A process to be described in rule - if it's determined that the broadband services to be provided would not duplicate services already offered by telecommunications providers in areas to be served. 2) Following a public hearing and adoption of a resolution by governing body of a municipality or other public body in the area to be served by the State CIO - finding that the proposed broadband services and operations are necessary and would not otherwise be provided by a for-profit entity within a reasonable time and for a reasonable cost. The amendment requires the State CIO to adopt rules for providing services under an extended rule-making process - utilizing an inclusive rules advisory committee designed to ensure full participation by interested parties prior to rule adoption. Finally, the amendment requires the State CIO to present proposed rules to the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology prior to rule adoption.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A13 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A13 amendment to House Bill 4023. (VOTE)

Final Committee Action

LFO recommends that House Bill 4023 be reported out do pass, as amended, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

MOTION: I move that House Bill 4023 be reported out do pass, as amended, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. (VOTE)