

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4023

By COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

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1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “technology” insert “; and declaring an emergency”.

2 Delete lines 4 through 7 and insert:

### 3 4 “LOCAL BROADBAND CHAMPIONS

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6 “SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, ‘local broadband champion’ means a local gov-  
7 ernment official, elected official, educator, business, organization, resident, community  
8 leader or other person that advocates for local broadband infrastructure improvements in  
9 the person’s community.

10 “(2) The Oregon Broadband Advisory Council shall conduct a study to identify options for  
11 a local broadband champion program to foster and support local broadband champions. No  
12 later than December 1, 2018, the council shall report to the interim legislative committees  
13 on economic development with a proposed local broadband champion program structure that  
14 identifies potential public or private partnerships and anticipated funding needs and sources.

15 “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2018 Act is repealed on January 2, 2019.

### 16 17 “CONNECTING OREGON SCHOOLS FUND

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19 “SECTION 3. (1) The Connecting Oregon Schools Fund is established in the State Treas-  
20 ury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Connecting Oregon  
21 Schools Fund shall be credited to the fund.

22 “(2) The Connecting Oregon Schools Fund consists of any moneys deposited in the fund  
23 from whatever source and may include moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or trans-  
24 ferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise and interest earned on moneys  
25 in the fund.

26 “(3) The moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Educa-  
27 tion for the purpose of providing matching funds for federal moneys received by school dis-  
28 tricts for the purpose of providing broadband access to eligible schools in this state.

29 “(4) A school is eligible to receive matching funds under this section if the school:

30 “(a) Is a kindergarten through grade 12 public school in this state;

31 “(b) Receives federal moneys for the purpose of providing broadband access to the school;

32 “(c) Takes steps to determine whether existing broadband infrastructure, including  
33 fiber-based broadband, may be integrated into the proposed broadband access project; and

34 “(d) Meets any other eligibility requirements established by the State Board of Education  
35 by rule.

