

Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4023**

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

3 Delete lines 4 through 7 and insert:
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5 **“LOCAL BROADBAND CHAMPIONS**

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7 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, ‘local broadband**
8 **champion’ means a local government official, elected official, educa-**
9 **tor, business, organization, resident, community leader or other per-**
10 **son that advocates for local broadband infrastructure improvements**
11 **in the person’s community.**

12 **“(2) The Oregon Broadband Advisory Council shall conduct a study**
13 **to identify options for a local broadband champion program to foster**
14 **and support local broadband champions. No later than December 1,**
15 **2018, the council shall report to the interim legislative committees on**
16 **economic development with a proposed local broadband champion**
17 **program structure that identifies potential public or private partner-**
18 **ships and anticipated funding needs and sources.**

19 **“SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2018 Act is repealed on January 2,**
20 **2019.**

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1 **“CONNECTING OREGON SCHOOLS FUND**

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3 **“SECTION 3. (1) The Connecting Oregon Schools Fund is estab-**
4 **lished in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General**
5 **Fund. Interest earned by the Connecting Oregon Schools Fund shall**
6 **be credited to the fund.**

7 **“(2) The Connecting Oregon Schools Fund consists of any moneys**
8 **deposited in the fund from whatever source and may include moneys**
9 **appropriated, allocated, deposited or transferred to the fund by the**
10 **Legislative Assembly or otherwise and interest earned on moneys in**
11 **the fund.**

12 **“(3) The moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the**
13 **Department of Education for the purpose of providing matching funds**
14 **for federal moneys received by school districts for the purpose of pro-**
15 **viding broadband access to eligible schools in this state.**

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

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

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

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

24 **“(d) Meets any other eligibility requirements established by the**
25 **State Board of Education by rule.**

26 **“(5)(a) Before the department may distribute any state moneys un-**
27 **der this section, the board shall adopt rules to implement the pro-**
28 **visions of this section, including rules setting criteria that govern the**
29 **distribution of the moneys to eligible schools.**

30 **“(b) Rules adopted under this section must take into consideration**

1 any eligibility requirements established by the federal program
2 awarding federal moneys.

3 **“SECTION 4.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
4 ation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the
5 biennium ending June 30, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount
6 of \$750,000, to be deposited into the Connecting Oregon Schools Fund
7 for the purpose of providing matching funds under section 3 of this
8 2018 Act.

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“CAPTIONS

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12 **“SECTION 5.** The unit captions used in this 2018 Act are provided
13 only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the
14 statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the
15 enactment of this 2018 Act.

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“EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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19 **“SECTION 6.** This 2018 Act being necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
21 declared to exist, and this 2018 Act takes effect on its passage.”.

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