## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE **Fiscal Note**



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Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED** 

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Opp. Chamb. Action:

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Dept./Agy.: Revenue

**Subject:** Dedicates 5% telecommunications tax

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**FUNDS/FUNDING** 

RE NO IMPACT SD EX See Note

To establish the Local Infrastructure Fund

Proposed law creates but does not fund the Local Infrastructure Fund to reimburse political subdivisions for qualifying expenses related to the repair or mitigation of damages due to the expansion of broadband services (no definitions in the bill). Appropriations from the fund will occur through the Office of Community Development (OCD) within the Division of Administration, which will also develop guidelines for distribution to be approved by the Water Sector Commission prior to implementation. OCD will submit quarterly expenditure reports to the Water Sector Commission.

Effective upon signature.

| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>  | 2025-26    | 2026-27    | 2027-28    | 2028-29    | 2029-30    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| State Gen. Fd.   | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Agy. Self-Gen.   |            | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Ded./Other   | SEE BELOW  |               |
| Federal Funds  | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Local Funds  | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Annual Total   |            |            |            |            |            |               |
| REVENUES   | 2025-26    | 2026-27    | 2027-28    | 2028-29    | 2029-30    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|  |            |            |            |            |            |               |
| State Gen. Fd.   | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
|  | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0    |
| Agy. Self-Gen.   |            |            |            |            |            | ·             |
| Agy. Self-Gen.<br>Ded./Other   | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| State Gen. Fd.<br>Agy. Self-Gen.<br>Ded./Other<br>Federal Funds<br>Local Funds | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0 | \$0<br>\$0    |

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The bill does not mandate expenditures, therefore there is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures. However, should funding be identified, the bill could result in increased expenditures under the program parameters established by Office of Community Development and Water Sector Commission.

Treasury requires certain resources to create and administer a statutory dedication, as in this bill. Should aggregate session action result in the creation of funds beyond that which can be absorbed with resources, additional funding may be required.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

| <u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >= | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u><br>\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H} | House 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}              | Alan M. Boderger                                |
|-------------------------|--|---|---|
|                         | \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee<br>Change {S & H}                      | 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | Alan M. Boxberger<br>Legislative Fiscal Officer |

or a Net Fee Decrease  $\{S\}$