

# LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE

## Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 648** HLS 21RS 878

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Office of Broadband Development and Connectivity		<b>Analyst:</b> Monique Appeaning
<b>Subject:</b> Granting Unserved Municipalities Broadband Opportunities" Grant Program		

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 Establishes a grant program to be administered by the office of broadband development and connectivity in the division of administration

Proposed law creates the "Granting Unserved Municipalities Broadband Opportunities" (GUMBO) grant program. Proposed law establishes a grant program to be administered by the office of broadband development and connectivity relative to grants for broadband expansion; defines terms; provides requirements for area protection; establishes a procedure for application; allows public comment; allows protest; allows judicial review of a protest decision; provides for consultation; conditions for the scoring process; requires fund matching; requirements for compliance; mandates forfeiture of funds for failure to perform; provides for the receipt and disbursement of federal grant funds; requires reports; allows for an administration fee; requires the legislative auditor to review the program and make recommendations to the office before implementation; provides for reimbursements; provides for minority-owned businesses; provides for the promulgation of rules; and provides for related matters. Proposed law provides specific provisions that all records related to GUMBO program shall be public records as provided by the Public Records Law with certain exceptions. Effective upon the signature of the governor.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>Annual Total</b>						
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law will result in an indeterminable expenditure impact for the Office of Broadband Development and Connectivity to administer the Granting Unserved Municipalities Broadband Opportunities (GUMBO) grant program. Proposed law does not provide for a recurring source of revenues for grant expenditures. The agency reports that the amount received by the state or other sources will determine the potential increase in administrative expenditures.

NOTE: Proposed law provides that the office may use up to one percent of appropriated funds to administer the GUMBO program.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

Senate      Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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