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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS THAT PROJECTS FOR BROADBAND
102	DEPLOYMENT RECEIVING MONEY DISTRIBUTED BY THE
103	COLORADO BROADBAND OFFICE COMPLY WITH CERTAIN FAIR
104	LABOR PRACTICES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

The Colorado broadband office (office) is authorized to seek or apply for, accept, and expend money from the federal government for broadband deployment. The bill requires that for federal money that the HOUSE Amended 3rd Reading May 3, 2024

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office distributes, or for state money that it distributes as matching funding for federal money, it must give substantial weight, but not less than 25% weight, to fair labor practices by establishing evaluation metrics for applicants. Additionally, for projects that receive an award of over \$500,000, workers involved in the projects must be paid prevailing wages for the project to receive the award.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-37.5-106, amend
3	(4) as follows:
4	24-37.5-106. Chief information officer - duties and
5	responsibilities. (4) The chief information officer may promulgate as
6	rules pursuant to article 4 of this title 24, all of the policies, procedures,
7	standards, specifications, guidelines, or criteria that are developed or
8	approved pursuant to section 24-37.5-105 (4) and to establish
9	accessibility standards for individuals with a disability pursuant to section
10	24-85-103. The chief information officer shall promulgate
11	PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4 of this title 24 rules in accordance with
12	THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION $24-37.5-903$ (6).
13	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-37.5-903, add (6)
14	as follows:
15	24-37.5-903. Colorado broadband office - creation -
16	responsibilities - gifts, grants, or donations. (6) THE BROADBAND
17	OFFICE, BY AND THROUGH THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER PURSUANT TO
18	THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER'S AUTHORITY SET FORTH IN SECTION
19	24-37.5-106 (4), SHALL PROMULGATE RULES, UNLESS PROHIBITED BY
20	FEDERAL LAW, THAT ESTABLISH LABOR STANDARDS FOR GRANTEES AND
21	SUBGRANTEES NO LATER THAN NINETY-ONE DAYS AFTER THE BROADBAND
22	OFFICE RECEIVES APPROVAL OF ITS INITIAL PROPOSAL FOR FEDERAL

1	FUNDING UNDER THE BROADBAND EQUITY, ACCESS, AND DEPLOYMENT
2	PROGRAM AUTHORIZED BY THE FEDERAL "INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT
3	AND JOBS ACT", PUB.L. 117-58, AND BEFORE, IN CONNECTION WITH
4	RECEIPT OF SUCH FEDERAL FUNDING, APPROVING GRANTS TO INTERNET
5	SERVICE PROVIDERS. THE RULES MUST, AT A MINIMUM, REQUIRE THAT
6	GRANTEES AND SUBGRANTEES:
7	(a) PAY THEIR WORKERS PREVAILING WAGE;
8	(b) UTILIZE APPRENTICESHIPS REGISTERED WITH THE UNITED
9	STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OR THE STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCY
10	CREATED IN SECTION $8-15.7-102$ FOR THE APPLICABLE WORKFORCE;
11	(c) EMPLOY A SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE; AND
12	(d) UTILIZE IN-HOUSE WORKFORCE TRAINING.
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14	SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds,
15	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
16	preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
17	the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
18	institutions.