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	A BILL FOR AN ACT
101	CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION OF A BROADBAND PROVIDER'S
102	INSTALLATION OF NECESSARY BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE IN
103	MULTIUNIT BUILDINGS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,
104	SPECIFYING LEGAL OBLIGATIONS AND RIGHTS RELATING TO THE
105	INSTALLATION OF BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE IN SUCH
106	BUILDINGS.

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 http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill prohibits a property owner (owner) of a multiunit building,

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including a multidwelling and multitenant building and a mobile home park, from denying a broadband provider (provider) access to the property to install the necessary infrastructure to provide high-speed broadband service. The bill specifies the legal obligations and rights of both broadband providers and owners regarding the deployment of broadband infrastructure.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 5 to article
3	27 of title 29 as follows:
4	PART 5
5	ACCESS TO MULTIUNIT BUILDINGS
6	29-27-501. Definitions. As used in this part 5, unless the
7	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
8	(1) "Broadband facility" has the same meaning as set
9	FORTH IN SECTION 29-27-402 (1.5) , BUT ONLY AS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE
10	BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICES TO MULTIUNIT BUILDINGS AND DOES NOT
11	INCLUDE TOWERS, POLES, BUILDINGS, OR ENCLOSURES LARGER THAN FOUR
12	CUBIC FEET UNLESS THE PROPERTY OWNER OR MOBILE HOME PARK
13	LANDLORD GRANTS PERMISSION TO INSTALL ANY SUCH FACILITY.
14	(2) "Broadband internet service" means A retail service
15	THAT TRANSMITS AND RECEIVES DATA FROM A CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY OR
16	DETERMINED POINT OF PRESENCE TO SUBSTANTIALLY ALL INTERNET
17	ENDPOINTS. THE TERM INCLUDES ANY CAPABILITIES THAT ARE INCIDENTAL
18	TO AND ENABLE THE OPERATION OF BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE.
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20	(3) "MOBILE HOME PARK LANDLORD" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS
21	"MANAGEMENT" OR "LANDLORD", AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 38-12-201.5
22	(3).

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1	(4) "MULTIUNIT BUILDING" MEANS A MULTIDWELLING BUILDING,
2	A MULTITENANT BUILDING, OR A MOBILE HOME PARK.
3	29-27-502. Broadband internet service providers' access to a
4	multiunit building. (1) A BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER,
5	INCLUDING A PROVIDER THAT IS FINANCED BY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
6	A PRIVATE PROVIDER, MAY ACCESS AND INSTALL ANY NECESSARY
7	BROADBAND FACILITIES TO PROVIDE HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND INTERNET
8	SERVICE TO A MULTIUNIT BUILDING IF:
9	(a) (I) THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER PROVIDES
10	ADEQUATE NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACCESS THE PROPERTY TO INSTALL THE
11	NECESSARY BROADBAND FACILITY TO PROVIDE BROADBAND INTERNET
12	SERVICE TO AN OWNER OF A MULTIUNIT BUILDING OR TO A MOBILE HOME
13	LANDLORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION. AN
14	OWNER'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO THE NOTICE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS IS
15	DEEMED TO BE AUTHORIZATION FOR ACCESS.
16	(II) IF AN OWNER OF A MULTIUNIT BUILDING OR A MOBILE HOME
17	LANDLORD IS NONRESPONSIVE OR REFUSES TO ENGAGE WITH THE
18	BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER IN REGARD TO THE AESTHETICS
19	OF THE PROPERTY, THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL
20	INSTALL BROADBAND FACILITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH HOW THE
21	BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER HAS REASONABLY ASSESSED AS
22	MEETING THE AESTHETICS OF THE PROPERTY.
23	(b) THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER PROVIDES TO
24	A MULTIUNIT OWNER OR A MOBILE HOME LANDLORD AN ACCESS
25	AGREEMENT THAT:
26	(I) COMPLIES WITH ALL FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS, STATE
27	LAWS AND RULES, AND LOCAL ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND

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1	REGULATIONS, INCLUDING ANY DECLARATORY RULING FROM THE FEDERAL
2	COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION BARRING EXCLUSIVE REVENUE SHARING
3	AGREEMENTS AND GRADUATED REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENTS AND ANY
4	SALE AND LEASEBACK AGREEMENTS UNDER WHICH A BROADBAND
5	INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER TRANSFERS OWNERSHIP OF ANY INSIDE WIRE
6	ARRANGEMENTS TO THE OWNER OF A MULTIDWELLING RESIDENTIAL
7	BUILDING AND THEN LEASES THE WIRE BACK FROM THE PROPERTY OWNER;
8	(II) GRANTS THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER A
9	NON-EXCLUSIVE LICENSE TO CONSTRUCT, REPLACE, MAINTAIN, REPAIR,
10	OPERATE, AND REMOVE, AT THE PROVIDER'S SOLE EXPENSE, ANY
11	BROADBAND FACILITY OR OTHER EQUIPMENT NECESSARY IN
12	DISTRIBUTING ANY BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE AND ANY
13	ACCOMPANYING SERVICE DISTRIBUTED OVER THE HIGH-SPEED
14	BROADBAND INTERNET INFRASTRUCTURE ONLY AS NECESSARY TO
15	PROVIDE HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE TO THE MULTIUNIT
16	BUILDING;
17	(III) GRANTS THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER
18	ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS OR AT ANY
19	TIME DURING AN EMERGENCY TO INSTALL OR REPAIR ANY BROADBAND
20	FACILITY;
21	(IV) REQUIRES THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER TO
22	OBTAIN CONSENT FROM ANY TENANT OF THE MULTIUNIT BUILDING OR
23	MOBILE HOME PARK PRIOR TO ENTERING THE TENANT'S PREMISES AND
24	INSTALLING OR REPAIRING ANY NECESSARY BROADBAND FACILITY;
25	(V) GRANTS THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER ALL
26	OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN ANY BROADBAND FACILITY EXCEPT WHERE A
27	FACILITY MAY BE DEEMED TO BE AFFIXED TO THE REAL PROPERTY AND

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1	CONSIDERED A FIXTURE OF THE PROPERTY IN WHICH THE OWNER OF THE
2	PROPERTY RETAINS OWNERSHIP INTEREST OF THE FIXTURE;
3	(VI) REQUIRES THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER TO
4	BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THE BROADBAND FACILITIES IN GOOD
5	ORDER AND PROMPTLY REPAIRING ANY DAMAGE TO THE PROPERTY
6	CAUSED BY THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER;
7	(VII) RELEASES THE OWNER OF A MULTIUNIT BUILDING FROM ANY
8	LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE OR LOSS TO THE BROADBAND FACILITY
9	EXCEPT IN THE OWNER'S WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE;
10	(VIII) REQUIRES THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER
11	TO MAINTAIN INSURANCE THAT WILL INSURE ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE
12	ACCESS AGREEMENT;
13	(IX) RELEASES THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER
14	AND THE OWNER OF A MULTIUNIT BUILDING FROM ANY INDIRECT,
15	INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OF ANY FAILURE TO
16	PERFORM ITS OBLIGATION UNDER THE ACCESS AGREEMENT IF THE FAILURE
17	IS CAUSED BY AN ACT OF GOD, ACCIDENT, FIRE, ACT OF GOVERNMENT, OR
18	OTHER CAUSE OF SIMILAR NATURE BEYOND THE OBLIGOR'S REASONABLE
19	CONTROL;
20	(X) STIPULATES THAT THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE
21	PROVIDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING THE BROADBAND FACILITY AND
22	REPAIRING ALL DAMAGE CAUSED BY SUCH REMOVAL, WITHIN NINETY DAYS
23	OF THE EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION OF THE ACCESS AGREEMENT, AT THE
24	SOLE COST AND EXPENSE OF THE PROVIDER. THE BROADBAND INTERNET
25	SERVICE PROVIDER MUST LEAVE THE BROADBAND FACILITY IN PLACE IF
26	THE FACILITY BECOMES THE PROPERTY OF THE MULTIUNIT BUILDING
27	OWNER IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAWS REGARDING FIXTURES.

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1	(AI) WARRANIS THAT THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE
2	PROVIDER WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED TO OR
3	USED BY THE MULTIUNIT PROPERTY;
4	(XII) INCLUDES A FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE AREAS OF THE
5	PROPERTY WHERE EQUIPMENT RELATED TO THE BROADBAND FACILITY
6	WILL BE LOCATED THAT IS REASONABLY LIMITED TO ONLY THOSE AREAS
7	AS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE
8	TO THE MULTIUNIT BUILDING, IS CONTAINED WITHIN EXISTING UTILITY
9	EASEMENTS WHENEVER POSSIBLE, AND IS SUBJECT TO THE PROPERTY
10	OWNER'S RIGHT TO DETERMINE THE LOCATION OF THE EQUIPMENT OR ANY
11	RELOCATION OF THE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BY FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF
12	THE PROPERTY;
13	(XIII) REQUIRES THE INSTALLATION MUST BE DONE IN
14	ACCORDANCE WITH INDUSTRY BEST PRACTICES, INCLUDING AESTHETIC
15	BEST PRACTICES, AND IN INCORPORATED AREAS, EXTERIOR
16	INFRASTRUCTURE MUST BE AT OR BELOW GRADE;
17	(XIV) REQUIRES THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER
18	TO ASSUME ALL COSTS FOR DAMAGE RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION AS A
19	RESULT OF THE UNLOCATED PRIVATE UTILITIES ON THE PROPERTY; AND
20	(XV) REQUIRES THE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER TO
21	AVOID ANY DEVIATION FROM THE GENERAL AESTHETICS OF A BUILDING
22	WHEN INSTALLING ANY BROADBAND FACILITIES WHEN IT IS PRACTICABLE
23	AND DOES NOT CAUSE ANY UNDUE HARDSHIP ON THE BROADBAND
24	INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER.
25	(2) THE NOTICE REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION
26	MUST:
27	(a) INCLUDE A FULL DESCRIPTION OF AREAS OF THE PROPERTY

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1	THAT WILL BE ACCESSED AND THE TYPE OF BROADBAND FACILITY THAT
2	WILL BE NECESSARY, AND THE EXPECTED TIME FRAME NEEDED FOR THE
3	DEPLOYMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE; AND
4	(b) INCLUDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL THE LEGAL OBLIGATIONS
5	AND RIGHTS OF THE PROVIDER AND THE OWNER OF THE MULTIUNIT
6	BUILDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION.
7	(3) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHOULD BE CONSTRUED TO PERMIT
8	A BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER TO IDENTIFY AND SEEK
9	REPAIR FOR ANY STRUCTURAL DEFICIENCIES NOT RELATED TO THE DIRECT
10	NEED FOR INSTALLING THE BROADBAND FACILITY OR TO INSTALL
11	BROADBAND FACILITIES FOR PURPOSES BEYOND PROVIDING SERVICE TO
12	THE MULTIUNIT BUILDINGS.
13	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 38-12-224 as
14	follows:
15	38-12-224. Broadband internet service providers' access to
16	property. A Broadband internet service provider, including a
17	BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER THAT IS FINANCED BY A LOCAL
18	GOVERNMENT AND A PRIVATE BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER,
19	MAY ACCESS AND INSTALL ANY NECESSARY BROADBAND FACILITIES TO
20	PROVIDE BROADBAND SERVICE TO ANY MOBILE HOME IN A MOBILE HOME
21	PARK PURSUANT TO PART 5 OF ARTICLE 27 OF TITLE 29.
22	SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
23	takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
24	ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
25	that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
26	of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
27	act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take

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- 1 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
- November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 3 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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