

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF HIGH COST SUPPORT MECHANISM FUNDING FOR RURAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDERS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE 2023 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

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Sens. Roberts and Hansen

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Not Required, No Amendment in Packet

Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 02/16/24.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
None.	

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause for FY 2024-25.

Points to Consider

Future Fiscal Impact

The bill continues an existing program that is currently scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2024. While this bill would not require a cash fund appropriation for FY 2024-25, it is projected to require a continuation of the program's existing cash fund appropriation of \$223,831 and 1.0 FTE in FY 2025-26 and ongoing. This amount may be adjusted pursuant to Section 40-15-208, C.R.S.