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Revised Fiscal Note

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Drafting Number:	LLS 24-0957	Date:	April 19, 2024
Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Lundeen; Roberts	Bill Status:	Senate Appropriations
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Bill Topic: TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECURITY

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill prohibits telecommunications providers from using certain equipment in critical infrastructure. It minimally increases state revenue and expenditures on an ongoing basis beginning in FY 2024-25.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The revised fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as amended by the Senate Business, Labor, and Technology Committee.

Summary of Legislation

The bill prohibits critical telecommunications infrastructure from including equipment or components manufactured by an entity subject to federal sanctions or otherwise banned by the federal government.

Wireless telecommunications providers must replace any prohibited equipment, and are not required to seek additional permits for complying if the provider notifies the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and if the replacement equipment is substantially similar to the equipment it replaces.

Each year beginning in 2025, telecommunications providers must register with the PUC, which includes paying a registration fee, informing the PUC with contact information for the provider's operations staff, unless or until they certify that their equipment meets the bill's requirements or certain exemptions. The PUC may adopt rules to implement the registration program.

State Revenue

The bill increases revenue from registration fees paid by wireless telecommunications providers. The fee, which is determined by rule, may be up to \$50. As the number of providers who will be subject to the fee is expected to be low, any increase in revenue will be minimal. Fee revenue is subject to TABOR.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload, primarily in FY 2024-25, to conduct rulemaking, process registration applications, and to provide technical assistance to telecommunications providers on the bill's requirements. This can be accomplished with the course of ordinary business and no change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	Information Technology	Law
Regulatory Agencies		

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).