## LEGISLATIVE REQUEST FOR INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE

To: Legislative Council

Requested by: Senator Mullica

With support of: Senators Roberts, Van Winkle, Coleman, and Rodriguez

**Re:** Request for interim study committee regarding the state's role in

regulating internet and cable television

**Date:** 4/12/2023

## Information Required Pursuant to Section 2-3-303.3, C.R.S.

I hereby request that an interim study committee be formed to study the state's role in regulating internet and cable television during the interim between the 2023 and 2024 legislative sessions. The interim study committee would be named the "Internet and Cable Television Regulation Interim Study Committee."

The policy issues to be studied are the regulation of cable television and internet by the state of Colorado, examining existing federal laws and regulations and their impact on state regulation, and any other potential barriers to regulation.

The interim study committee would need to meet up to 4 times to study the issues.

The interim study committee should consist of 6 members of the General Assembly selected as follows:

- 3 members of the Senate, with 2 appointed by the President of the Senate and 1 appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
- 3 members of the House of Representatives, with 2 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and 1 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

Nonlegislative members will not have a role in the interim study committee.

A task force is not necessary to assist the interim study committee in studying the scope of policy issues described above.

The interim study committee will need up to 3 bills to address the issues it studies.

## Additional Information Related to the Interim Study Committee Request

The Department of Law and the Public Utilities Commission may be called upon to provide assistance or information to the interim study committee.

The interim study committee would like to conduct 1 meeting outside of the Denver metropolitan area to receive input from rural and outlying areas of the state.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.