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In Senate, January 14, 2020

An Act To Provide Funding for Broadband Internet Infrastructure in Unserved and Underserved Areas

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HERBIG of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Representative RILEY of Jay and

Senators: BELLOWS of Kennebec, CLAXTON of Androscoggin, President JACKSON of Aroostook, LUCHINI of Hancock, Representatives: CUDDY of Winterport, DOUDERA of Camden, FECTEAU of Biddeford, HICKMAN of Winthrop.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
3 allocations are made.

4 **CONNECTME AUTHORITY**

5 **Municipal Gigabit Broadband Network Access Fund Z196**

6 Initiative: Appropriates funds to the ConnectME Authority for the provision of
7 broadband Internet infrastructure in unserved and underserved areas.

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GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$0	\$15,000,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$15,000,000

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SUMMARY

14 This bill appropriates \$15,000,000 from the General Fund to the ConnectME
15 Authority for the provision of broadband Internet infrastructure in unserved and
16 underserved areas.