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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 628, L.D. 854, Bill, “An Act To Improve Tax Incentives for Broadband Service”

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph C by striking out all of subparagraph (9) (page 2, lines 3 to 5 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'(9) Costs associated with broadband and fiber optics expansion projects, including preparation, planning, engineering and other related costs in addition to the construction costs of those projects. If an area within a municipality or plantation is unserved with respect to broadband service, as defined by the ConnectME Authority as provided in Title 35-A, section 9204-A, subsection 1, broadband and fiber optics expansion projects may serve residential or other nonbusiness or noncommercial areas in addition to business or commercial areas within the municipality or plantation; and'

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies the circumstances under which tax increment financing project costs may include broadband and fiber optics expansion projects that serve residential or other nonbusiness or noncommercial areas within a municipality or plantation.