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I URGE YOU to vote OUGHT TO PASS on LD1752, An Act to Exempt Broadband Equipment from Sales and Use Tax. Broadband is used by a lot of good things. It is becoming more and more a part of our lives. This technology should be encouraged here in Maine to catch us up on all that is happening in our world today at a faster rate. On the negative side are, high upfront costs, more costly for rural areas for less people, more fragile so affected by storms and weather that breaks it due to being more fragile than regular cable. Some of the pluses are, long-term value, very secure from cyber-attacks, business friendly, reliable, low latency, and non-power dependent. It may not be the answer for some of Maine, but it certainly will encourage businesses and industry in more urban area of Maine. I would say the positives overshadow the negatives. Let's join the 21st century here in Maine! Please vote OUGHT TO PASS of LD1752. Thank you!