HOUSE BILL 2747

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE BROADBAND AND FIBER OPTIC SERVICES STUDY COMMITTEE.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Broadband and fiber optic services study committee; members; duties; report; repealed

A. The broadband and fiber optic services study committee is established consisting of the following members:

1. Three members of the house of representatives who are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. The speaker of the house of representatives shall designate one of these members to serve as chairperson of the committee.

2. Two members of the house of representatives who are appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.

B. The committee shall determine the status of broadband and fiber optic services in this state by addressing at least the following issues:

1. Access issues relating to broadband and fiber optic services.

2. Communities in which insufficient telecommunications service has caused social or economic impacts.

3. Communities which with local franchises have not been complied.

4. Communities in which broadband or fiber optic service is necessary for competition.

5. Affordable and adequate service.

C. The committee shall consult with policy experts in this state for recommendations related to prioritizing resources to identified communities in need of new or increased broadband and fiber optic services.

D. On or before December 31, 2021, the committee shall submit a report regarding the committee's findings and recommendations to provide affordable and adequate broadband and fiber optic services in this state to the speaker of the house of representatives and provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state.

E. This section is repealed from and after September 30, 2022.