ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB359

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 07, 2023

Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications

Introducer: Hughes

One Liner: Change application deadlines under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Bostelman, Brandt, Cavanaugh, M., DeBoer, DeKay, Fredrickson,

Geist, Moser

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Jana Hughes Introducer

Dan Watermeier Nebraska Public Service Commission
Brent Smoyer Nebraska Rural Broadband Alliance

Tonya Mayer Mobius Communications

Tip O'Neill Nebraska Telecommunications Association

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Amends section 86-1304; Broadband Bridge Act; Purpose; Applications.

The section currently provides that applications for funding under the Broadband Bridge Act shall be filed with the Public Service Commission on or before July 1 of each fiscal year.

The section is amended by striking the statutory date for filing applications and language is substituted that provides that the Commission shall establish and post on their website the deadline date for the filing of applications.

^{*} ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Suzanne Geist, Chairperson