SENATE AMENDMENT NO. ___

Offered by _____ **of** _____

Amend _____ **SS/SCS/House** _____ **Bill No.** _1768_ , **Page** _14_ , **Section** _620.2451_ , **Line** _28_ ,

2   of said page, by inserting immediately after said line the

3   following:

4   "620.2456. 1. The department of economic development shall

5   not award any grant to an otherwise eligible grant applicant

6   where funding from the Connect America Fund has been awarded,

7   where high-cost support from the federal Universal Service Fund

8   has been received by rate of return carriers, or where any other

9   federal funding has been awarded which did not require any

10   matching-fund component, for any portion of the proposed project

11   area, nor shall any grant money be used to serve any retail end

12   user that already has access to wireline or fixed wireless

13   broadband internet service of speeds of at least twenty-five

14   megabits per-second download and three megabits per-second

15   upload.

16   2. No grant awarded under sections 620.2450 to 620.2458,

17   when combined with any federal, state, or local funds, shall fund

18   more than fifty percent of the total cost of a project.

19   3. No single project shall be awarded grants under sections

20   620.2450 to 620.2458 whose cumulative total exceeds five million

21   dollars.

22   4. The department of economic development shall endeavor to

23   award grants under sections 620.2450 to 620.2458 to qualified

1 applicants in all regions of the state.

2   5. An award granted under sections 620.2450 to 620.2458

3 shall not:

4   (1) Require an open access network;

5   (2) Impose rates, terms, and conditions that differ from

6 what a provider offers in other areas of its service area;

7   (3) Impose any rate, service, or any other type of

8 regulation beyond speed requirements set forth in section

9 620.2451; or

10   (4) Impose an unreasonable time constraint on the time to

11 build the service.

12   6. If a grant recipient fails to establish the speed

13 requirements set forth in section 620.2451, then the grant

14 recipient shall return all grant moneys to the department."; and

15   Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.