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**STATE OF MAINE
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126TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 301, L.D. 876, “Resolve, To Establish a Working Group To Study Issues Relating to Broadband Infrastructure Deployment”

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 2nd line from the end (page 1, line 13 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "highway" the following: 'and local road'

Amend the resolve in section 2 by inserting after subsection 4 the following:

'5. The Public Advocate or the Public Advocate's designee;'

Amend the resolve in section 2 by inserting after subsection 7 the following:

'8. A representative of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce;'

Amend the resolve in section 2 by renumbering the subsections to read consecutively.

Amend the resolve in section 3 in subsection 3 in the first line (page 1, line 34 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "highway" the following: ', local road'

Amend the resolve in section 3 in subsection 3 in the last line (page 1, line 36 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "highway" the following: 'and local road'

Amend the resolve in section 3 by inserting after subsection 7 the following:

'8. To collaborate with Internet service providers to consider so-called dig-once policies to encourage build-out to unserved areas;'

Amend the resolve in section 3 by renumbering the subsections to read consecutively.

Amend the resolve in section 4 in the 5th and 6th lines (page 2, lines 23 and 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation may individually or jointly" and inserting the following: 'may'

Amend the resolve in section 4 in the last line (page 2, line 26 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "report." the following: "The Joint Standing Committee on Transportation may make recommendations regarding that bill to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.'

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SUMMARY

This amendment adds the Public Advocate and a representative of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce as members of the working group. It expands the scope of the duties to include consideration of dig-once policies to encourage broadband build-out to unserved areas of the State and removes the authority for the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation to submit legislation.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



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LD 876

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Resolve, To Establish a Working Group To Study Issues Relating to Broadband Infrastructure Deployment

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S.41)

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund
Minor cost increase - Highway Fund
Minor cost increase - Maine Turnpike Authority
Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Transportation, the Office of Public Advocate, the Public Utilities Commission and the Maine Turnpike Authority associated with participating in the working group can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.