

# COMMITTEE REPORT

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## MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Utilities and Technology, to which was referred House Bill No. 1561, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 1, line 2, delete "JULY" and insert "UPON PASSAGE]:".
- 2 Page 1, delete line 3.
- 3 Page 1, line 11, delete "seven" and insert "**three**".
- 4 Page 1, line 12, delete "sixty-eight (768)" and insert "**eighty-four**
- 5 **(384)**".
- 6 Page 2, line 4, delete "shall:" and insert "**may:**".
- 7 Page 2, line 9, delete "The" and insert "**After creating the map**
- 8 **under subsection (b), the**".
- 9 Page 2, line 10, after "months." insert "**This subsection expires**
- 10 **December 31, 2010.**".
- 11 Page 2, line 40, after "where" insert ":
- 12 **(A)**".
- 13 Page 2, line 40, after "connections" insert "**are unavailable; or**
- 14 **(B) the only available Internet connections**".
- 15 Page 3, line 2, after "where" insert "**the only available**".
- 16 Page 3, between lines 6 and 7, begin a new line block indented and
- 17 insert:
- 18 "**(3) Third, supporting programs to promote broadband**
- 19 **adoption throughout Indiana.**".
- 20 Page 3, delete lines 9 through 24, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 21 "SECTION 2. IC 8-1-33-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.235-2005,

1 SECTION 105, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
2 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. As used in this chapter,  
3 "broadband services" includes services, including voice, video, and  
4 data, that provide capacity for transmission of more than ~~two three~~  
5 hundred ~~(200)~~ **eighty-four (384)** kilobits per second in at least one (1)  
6 direction regardless of the technology or medium used, including  
7 wireless, copper wire, fiber optic cable, or coaxial cable. If voice  
8 transmission capacity is offered in conjunction with other services  
9 using transmission of more than ~~two three~~ hundred ~~(200)~~ **eighty-four**  
10 **(384)** kilobits per second, the voice transmission capacity may be less  
11 than ~~two three~~ hundred ~~(200)~~ **eighty-four (384)** kilobits per second.  
12 The authority shall annually reconsider the ~~two three~~ hundred ~~(200)~~  
13 **eighty-four (384)** kilobits threshold under this section with a bias  
14 toward raising the threshold in a manner consistent with technological  
15 advances.

16 SECTION 3. **An emergency is declared for this act."**

(Reference is to HB 1561 as reprinted February 24, 2009.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass .**

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

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**Senator Merritt, Chairperson**