

State of New Mexico

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SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 14

The Honorable Mimi Stewart, President Pro Tempore and Members of the New Mexico State Senate State Capitol Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

President Pro Tempore Stewart and Members of the Senate:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 5(B)(2) of the New Mexico Constitution, I am authorizing for your consideration during the Fifty-Sixth Legislature, Second Session, submission of a bill bearing Legislative Council Service drafting number .226452, a bill amending the Tax Administration Act to provide for the issuance of supplemental severance tax bonds for education technology infrastructure; amending the Procurement Code to include professional service contracts for broadband infrastructure within the exceptions to the four-year limitation on multi-term professional service contracts; enacting a new section of Chapter 62 NMSA 1978 to provide for the regulation of utility pole attachments; amending the Wireless Consumer Advanced Infrastructure Investment Act to include the State of New Mexico within the definition of "authority"; amending the Broadband Access and Expansion Act; adding definitions; creating the Education Technology Infrastructure Fund; providing for rulemaking; authorizing grants; amending the Connect New Mexico Act to provide for disbursements from the Connect New Mexico Fund pursuant to vouchers signed by the director of the Office of Broadband Access And Expansion; transferring the Public School Facilities Authority's broadband deployment and connectivity program to the Office Of Broadband Access And Expansion; and transferring broadband infrastructure from the Department Of Information Technology to the Office of Broadband Access and Expansion.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

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