

HOUSE BILL 1205: Expedited State Leasing-Broadband.

This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

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OVERVIEW: The PCS for H1205 would establish a 4-month time limitation on the Department of Administration and an agency in control of real property in making a determination for new leases and lease renewals for colocation, installation and operation of equipment by a broadband provider on State property and instructs the Department and other agencies to coordinate with the Department of Information Technology to develop a streamlined process to expedite the finalization of lease agreements.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 does the following:

- Gives the Department of Administration (Department) and any controlling agencies a total of four months from receipt of a new lease application to prepare the complete application package. If an agreement is not finalized during that timeframe, the Department shall enter into a lease agreement with the applicant according to the terms submitted in the application.
- Gives the Department two months to prepare and finalize a lease agreement for renewals of leases. If an agreement is not finalized during that timeframe, the terms of the current lease agreement shall continue until the lease renewal is finalized.
- Instructs the Department to coordinate with the Department of Information Technology to develop
 a streamlined lease development process, using state-of-the-art technology, including video
 conferencing to facilitate and expedite the lease process. Additionally, State agencies are instructed
 to cooperate in the streamlined lease development process to ensure lease processing timelines are
 met.

Section 2 appropriates \$250,000 from the General Fund to the Department to retain personnel experienced in real estate appraisal and real property law.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The bill would become effective July 1, 2020 and would expire on January 1, 2025.

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