OVERVIEW: Section 38.7 of S.L. 2021-180 directs the Broadband Infrastructure Office in the Department of Information Technology (Office) to provide grants to eligible broadband service providers for providing satellite broadband equipment or fixed wireless broadband equipment to households lacking access to broadband service from a wireline or wireless service provider. The Office may utilize up to $1 million in funds appropriated to the Growing Rural Economies with Access to Technology (GREAT) Fund for grants under this section.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.