



SENATE BILL 743: Broadband/Grant Changes.

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

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OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 743 would (i) enact the framework for the federal Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment grant program, (ii) make changes to the Completing Access to Broadband program, and (iii) direct the reversion of certain grant funds to the Housing Trust Fund.*

BILL ANALYSIS:

- **Section 1.1** codifies the State process for evaluating and distributing federal funds for the federal Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment grant program with the Department of Information Technology and allows the Department to spend federal dollars intended for digital literacy.
- **Section 2.1** makes changes to the Completing Access to Broadband program at the Department of Information Technology involving the county match portion in the program.
- **Section 3.1** directs the reversion of certain grant funds for Dare County to revert to the Housing Trust Fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Except as otherwise provided, the act would become effective July 1, 2024.

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