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# HOUSE BILL 125: Continuing Budget Operations, Sec. 4.2: Changes to the Broadband Pole Replacement Program

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Section 4.2 of S.L. 2025-89 (House Bill 125) expands reimbursement eligibility under the Broadband Pole Replacement Program (Program) to allow the Department of Information Technology to reimburse communications service providers up to fifty percent (50%) of costs incurred to install broadband facilities underground. This section also allows cooperatively organized communications service providers to qualify for reimbursement under the Program for eligible costs related to poles owned by the provider or its affiliate.

This section became effective August 6, 2025.

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