1 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1977 By: Newton and Dobrinski of the 2 House 3 and Paxton of the Senate 4 5 6 7 [ broadband easements - Oklahoma Department of Transportation - emergency rules - codification -8 9 emergency ] 10 11 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified 14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1404 of Title 69, unless there 15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows: 16 On or before May 1, 2023, the Oklahoma Department of 17 Transportation shall adopt emergency rules that provide for 18 including broadband fiber conduit for Internet service providers for 19 all new construction, reconstruction or repair contracts. In 20 addition, the Department shall consider other necessary utilities 21 and their alternatives for providing service to resident taxpayers 22 in adopting the emergency rules. 23 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation 24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

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1	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
3	Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of March, 2023.
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9	Passed the Senate the day of, 2023.
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