

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 4023**

Ordered by the House February 15  
Including House Amendments dated February 15

Introduced and printed pursuant to House Rule 12.00. Pre-session filed (at the request of House Interim Committee on Economic Development and Trade)

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs Oregon Broadband Advisory Council to submit report to interim legislative committee, no later than [*September 15, 2019, regarding broadband technology access*] **December 1, 2018, regarding proposed local broadband champion program structure.**

**Establishes Connecting Oregon Schools Fund and continuously appropriates moneys in fund to Department of Education for purpose of providing matching funds for federal moneys received by school districts for providing broadband access to eligible schools.**

[*Sunsets January 2, 2020.*]

**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to broadband technology; and declaring an emergency.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**LOCAL BROADBAND CHAMPIONS**

**SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "local broadband champion" means a local government official, elected official, educator, business, organization, resident, community leader or other person that advocates for local broadband infrastructure improvements in the person's community.**

**(2) The Oregon Broadband Advisory Council shall conduct a study to identify options for a local broadband champion program to foster and support local broadband champions. No later than December 1, 2018, the council shall report to the interim legislative committees on economic development with a proposed local broadband champion program structure that identifies potential public or private partnerships and anticipated funding needs and sources.**

**SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2018 Act is repealed on January 2, 2019.**

**CONNECTING OREGON SCHOOLS FUND**

**SECTION 3. (1) The Connecting Oregon Schools Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Connecting Oregon Schools Fund shall be credited to the fund.**

**(2) The Connecting Oregon Schools Fund consists of any moneys deposited in the fund from whatever source and may include moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or trans-**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

