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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

SB 26 adds an additional priority factor for the Commission to consider when awarding grants, adds three specific issues that the Commission should also consider in its evaluation of grant applications, and provides additional definition of terms used in the Broadband expansion grant statute. The bill also amends sec. 20.155(1)(q) to clarify that, when the Commission allocates the funds appropriated for the Commission's Universal Service Fund activities, it shall provide \$1.5 million to the broadband grant program before allocating funds to other activities.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

SB 26 does not create additional workload for the Commission. The bill adjusts the weight that the Commission should assign to certain information included in a grant application. The Commission would be able to accommodate the changes proposed in SB 26 using existing staff resources.