

Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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LRB Number 23-57271	Introduction Number SB-1086	
Description requirements for broadband expansion grants, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation		
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5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
- Towns Village Cities
 - Counties Others
 - School Districts WTCS Districts

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

2023 SB 1086 defines broadband infrastructure and requires broadband expansion grant program applicants to specify in their grant applications the broadband infrastructure to be constructed. The bill also creates statutory provisions requiring grant recipients to submit progress reports to the Public Service Commission (Commission). The reports must include information on the status of construction activities, the number of connections provided and average speeds. 2023 SB 1086 also creates statutory language requiring grant recipients to reimburse the Commission if they fail to complete construction of the broadband infrastructure outlined in the grant application or if the infrastructure fails to provide service at specified speeds. The bill creates an appropriation for the receipt of these funds, which will subsequently be used to award additional broadband expansion grants. The Commission is required to promulgate rules related to the submission of progress reports and the reimbursement of grant funds for failed construction projects. Finally, 2023 SB 1086 requires a biennial Legislative Audit Bureau (LAB) performance audit.

The statutory requirements outlined in this bill can be absorbed with existing staff resources. Additionally, existing staff resources will be able to promulgate rules for these areas and respond to LAB performance audit requests.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications