THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE INDUSTRY INFORMATION REPORTING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	PART I	
2	SECTION 1. Section 206R-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
3	amended by amending the definitions of "broadband	
4	infrastructure" and "broadband service" to read as follows:	
5	""Broadband infrastructure" [shall have the same meaning	
6	as in section 440J-1.] means the medium used to provide	
7	broadband service, including fiber optic cable, copper cable,	
8	coaxial cable, and wireless media, such as satellite	
9	communications, wireless networks, and worldwide	
10	interoperability for microwave access.	
11	"Broadband service" [shall have the same meaning as	
12	"broadband access or broadband service" in section 440J-1.]	
13	means an always-on service that includes but is not limited	
14	to computer processing capabilities, information provision,	
15	and computing interactivity with data transport, which	
16	enables end users to access the Internet and use a variety of	



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1	1 applications at minimum	speeds established by the Federal
2	2 <u>Communications</u> Commissio	n. "Broadband service" does not
3	3 include wireless network	infrastructure or facilities used to
4	4 provide wireless service	s over licensed spectrum."
5	5 SECTION 2. Section	481-9.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6	6 amended by amending subse	ction (j) to read as follows:
7	7 "(j) This section s	hall not apply to any:
8	8 (1) Financial insti	tution subject to chapter 412 to the
9	9 extent that the	financial institution is engaged in
10	0 activities regu	lated pursuant to chapter 412;
11	1 (2) Insurer subject	to chapter 431, 432, or 432D to the
12	2 extent that the	insurer is engaged in activities
13	3 regulated pursu	ant to those chapters;
14	4 (3) Telecommunicati	ons provider subject to chapter 269;
15	5 and	
16	6 (4) Cable operator	subject to chapter 440G [or 440J] to
17	7 the extent that	the provider is engaged in activities
18	8 regulated pursu	ant to [those chapters] <u>chapter 440G</u> or
19	9 the Federal Com	munications Commission."
20	0 SECTION 3. Chapter	440J, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	1 repealed.	

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1	PART II		
2	SECTION 4. The department of commerce and consumer affairs		
3	shall make available for public inspection all broadband		
4	coverage reports that providers have previously filed pursuant		
5	to chapter 440J, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The broadband		
6	coverage reports may be made available to the public by posting		
7	on the department of commerce and consumer affairs' website.		
8	For purposes of this section, "provider" means any cable		
9	operator, telecommunications carrier, or telecommunications		
10	common carrier that provides broadband service.		
11	PART III		
12	SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
13	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
14	SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2050.		
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Report Title:

Telecommunications and Cable Industry Information Reporting Requirements; Repeal; Broadband; Broadband Service Providers

Description:

Repeals chapter 440J, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), relating to telecommunications and cable industry information reporting requirements for broadband service providers. Amends the definitions of "broadband infrastructure" and "broadband service" under chapter 206R, HRS, relating to the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program. Requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to make available for public inspection all broadband coverage reports that providers previously filed pursuant to chapter 440J, HRS. Effective 1/1/2050. (SD1)

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