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Morning, gentlemen

Just a note on some changes to more clearly define what the body's intent is with this amendment. We discussed this with Levi so he will have some language prepared for the meeting today.

SECTION 11. BROADBAND EQUITY, ACCESS, AND DEPLOYMENT GRANT

PROGRAM USES. The information technology department shall prioritize wireline grant applications when awarding funding for the broadband equity, access, and deployment program in the broadband infrastructure line item in section 1 of this Act, but may also consider the use of nonwireline technologies to provide broadband services under the program. **Pending federal approval, if wireline services do not exist in a proposed service area, the proposed service area is not eligible for a grant under this section.** Projects receiving grants under this section must meet adequate speeds to unserved and underserved households and businesses as provided by federal grant requirements. The information technology department shall establish guidelines for the program consistent with federal grant requirements.

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