

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Page 2, after line 24, insert:

"SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - REGIONAL COUNCIL GRANT PROGRAM.

There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$8,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce for the purpose of providing grants to regional councils in the state, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025. The department shall award funding appropriated in this section equally to the eight regional councils established in the state to support the planning, development, and implementation of economic development, community infrastructure, entrepreneurship, housing, child care, and workforce development initiatives in rural communities in accordance with chapter 54-40.1."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT

This amendment appropriates \$8 million from the general fund to the Department of Commerce to provide grants to regional councils to support rural community projects and initiatives.