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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY.

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

- 1           SECTION 1. (a) There is established a broadband task  
2 force to be placed within the department of business, economic  
3 development, and tourism, for administrative purposes only,  
4 which shall consist of the following members:
- 5           (1) The director of business, economic development, and  
6           tourism, who shall also serve as the chair;
  - 7           (2) The respective director of each county public,  
8           educational, or governmental access provider;
  - 9           (3) The mayor of the counties of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii,  
10           and the city and county of Honolulu, or the mayor's  
11           designee;
  - 12           (4) The chief executive officer of the Public Broadcasting  
13           Service Hawaii;
  - 14           (5) Two representatives representing wireless providers;  
15           provided that one shall be appointed by the speaker of  
16           the house and one shall be appointed by the president  
17           of the senate;



- 1           (6) Two representatives representing each of the third-  
2           party wireless infrastructure providers; provided that  
3           one shall be appointed by the speaker of the house and  
4           one shall be appointed by the president of the senate;
- 5           (7) Two representatives representing wireline, internet,  
6           and telecommunications service providers doing  
7           business in the State; provided that one shall be  
8           appointed by the speaker of the house and one shall be  
9           appointed by the president of the senate; provided  
10          further that the representatives shall not represent  
11          the same corporation or any designee of a  
12          representative;
- 13          (8) The director of an electric utility company, or the  
14          director's designee;
- 15          (9) The director of commerce and consumer affairs, or the  
16          director's designee; and
- 17          (10) The chair of the public utilities commission, or the  
18          chair's designee.
- 19          (b) Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the task  
20          force shall be filled in the same manner as the original  
21          appointments.



1 (c) The vice chair of the task force shall be selected by  
2 the majority of the members of the task force.

3 (d) A simple majority shall constitute a quorum whose  
4 affirmative vote shall be necessary for all actions of the task  
5 force.

6 (e) Members of the task force shall serve without  
7 compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses,  
8 including reasonable travel expenses, incurred in the  
9 performance of their duties under this section.

10 (f) The task force shall develop and provide a statewide  
11 broadband plan, which shall include the following:

- 12 (1) The financial status and revenues of public,  
13 educational, or governmental access providers;
- 14 (2) A description of how present fees collected are used  
15 for public, educational, or governmental access  
16 provider infrastructure;
- 17 (3) The potential establishment of a wireless fee to be  
18 used for video streaming; and
- 19 (4) The recommended structure to regulate all broadband  
20 services under the department of business, economic  
21 development, and tourism, including all rules,



1 regulations, and fees for the implementation of  
2 broadband.

3 (g) The statewide broadband plan shall include all  
4 possible revenues available for broadband infrastructure and  
5 public, educational, or governmental access provided by wireless  
6 carriers; provided that any proposed fees shall be fair and  
7 reasonable to consumers.

8 (h) The statewide broadband plan shall address  
9 technological advancements in broadband and communication  
10 delivery systems.

11 (i) The statewide broadband plan shall include  
12 recommendations to facilitate the deployment of high-speed  
13 broadband infrastructure, including small wireless or wireline  
14 facilities.

15 (j) The task force shall submit a report of its findings  
16 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, with  
17 regard to the statewide broadband plan to the legislature no  
18 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular  
19 session of 2018.

20 (k) The task force shall cease to exist upon adjournment  
21 sine die of the regular session of 2018.



1 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2059.



**Report Title:**

Technology; Broadband; Counties; State Functions and  
Responsibilities

**Description:**

Establishes a Broadband Task Force to create a statewide  
broadband plan. (SB1201 HD3)

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