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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT AND INVESTMENT ACT

Introduced By: Representatives J. Lombardi, Hull, Stewart, and Felix

Date Introduced: January 22, 2025

Referred To: House Innovation, Internet, & Technology

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 39-28 of the General Laws entitled "Broadband Deployment and Investment Act" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 39-28-8. Broadband community outreach coordinator -- Affordable connectivity
- 4 **program.**
- 5 There is hereby established, within the division of public utilities, a broadband community
- 6 <u>outreach coordinator to assist state residents interested in learning more and/or applying for, the</u>
- 7 <u>federal Affordable Connectivity Program.</u>
- 8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would establish a statewide broadband community outreach coordinator to assist
2	state residents interested in learning more and/or applying for, the federal Affordable Connectivity
3	Program.
4	This act would take effect upon passage.
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