

1-1 By: Buckingham S.B. No. 632
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 9, 2021; March 11, 2021,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;
 1-4 March 29, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; March 29, 2021,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 632 By: Seliger

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to provision of broadband infrastructure and connectivity
 1-22 by the Lower Colorado River Authority.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 8503, Special District Local Laws Code,
 1-25 is amended by adding Section 8503.032 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 8503.032. BROADBAND SERVICE INFRASTRUCTURE AND
 1-27 CONNECTIVITY. (a) In this section, "broadband service" means
 1-28 advanced telecommunications capability and Internet access.

1-29 (b) The authority may provide fiber capacity or facilities
 1-30 for the purpose of facilitating broadband service connectivity.

1-31 (c) The authority may not provide broadband service to a
 1-32 retail customer.

1-33 (d) Notwithstanding any other law, Subtitle C, Title 2,
 1-34 Utilities Code, does not apply to the authority.

1-35 (e) The authority may provide fiber capacity or facilities
 1-36 only on reasonable and nondiscriminatory terms and conditions.

1-37 (f) The authority may not agree to lease fiber capacity or
 1-38 facilities to a municipality for the purpose of facilitating
 1-39 broadband service connectivity, other than for communications
 1-40 regarding utility operations, unless the authority:

1-41 (1) posts on the authority's Internet website
 1-42 information concerning the proposal to lease the capacity or
 1-43 facilities to the municipality not less than 90 days before
 1-44 entering into the lease agreement with the municipality; and

1-45 (2) for the 90-day period beginning on the date that
 1-46 the authority posts information under Subdivision (1), makes the
 1-47 capacity or facilities available for lease to any commercial
 1-48 broadband provider that provides broadband services in the
 1-49 municipality, on the authority's standard terms and conditions.

1-50 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-51 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-52 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-53 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-54 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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